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Of most stirring interest about college in these closing days of eighteen-ninety, is the discussion of ideas and plans for "Bomberger Memorial Hall." Matters in the direction of the new building have already put on the animation of real activity. Projects and details are assuming symmetrical form and becoming daily more definite and tangible. The enterprise will be by far the most momentous of its kind that Collegeville has ever known, or, indeed, the large slice of Montgomery of which this village has become the centre in things educational. In fact the county entire in its whole history can bring forward at most but several rare instances of an undertaking in this sphere, equal in size or importance to that proposed for Ursinus, and none surpassing it in either of these particulars. As this first monument truly worthy of the noble cause which has been slowly winning its way at Collegeville for two decades, begins to rear its splendid head to the sky during the coming year, the general attention of the citizenship of the county will be turned toward it, as the close and correct exponent and representative of an important part of its individual life and characteristics as a community. And while the initial step in the actual rearing of this first permanent achievement of the new era comes nearer and nearer each day, the inspiration of the impending movement is beginning to be plainly felt on all sides, and friends, professors and students have with deepest interest set their eyes upon the future.

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To supply one need about college, the new edifice cannot possibly come too soon. With the steady growth in attendance during the past few years the accommodations which the present buildings afford have been more and more heavily taxed. The natural effect of the commencement of erection of the Memorial Hall will be a still further and more rapid increase from this source. This added to the crowded conditions that already exist will make the early final completion of the commodious quarters of the hall a matter to be hailed with special eagerness and pleasure.
The Bulletin has found filed away among its answered correspondence a brief postal card reviewing of its June number, 1890, by the late President of the college, which it will always cherish among the best rewards of its five years of life and work. The number was the last which he who wrote ever had the opportunity of seeing or criticizing, and that the opinion was favorable is well attested. The criticism reads: "Let me warmly congratulate the Bulletin on the bright and specially cheery strain of its June issue. All thro' it is a dish of strawberries or bunch of cherries, just suited to the season. The fragrance of the cedars of Lebanon breathes out from every page."

May students and professors who have left the halls of Ursinus silent for a season, to join the joyful stir and noise of the Christmas festival, be one and all permitted to celebrate without mar or unpleasantness this most popular vacation of the academic year.

THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

TWENTIETH SCHAFF ANNIVERSARY.

The Schaff Literary Society of the college completed the second decade of its history on Thursday evening, December 18th, with the celebration of very enjoyable anniversary exercises in the college chapel. Anniversary day is always looked forward to with a great deal of pleasurable anticipation by students and friends of the college. The several orators which each occasion brings to the front, as well as the committee-men to whom are entrusted the arrangements for the event, and the collegians who give the musical portion the programme, busily devote much of their spare time during the second half of the term to the successful consummation of the entertainment by which a stated period of work is brought to a conclusion.

The twentieth yearly Schaff festivities exhibited the good results of this careful preparation for them. The weather of the evening was that of an ideal winter night, clear and cold. The audience, as usual, was large and warmly appreciative, and the efforts of speakers and musicians were accorded one of the glowing receptions that a Collegeville assemblage knows so well how to give.

The programme of the evening was in full as follows:

- Music, "Amici."
- Salutatory, H. Ely Myers, '93, Pipersville, Pa.
- Music, "The Little Drummer."
- Oration, "Woman—Shall She Speak in Public?" J. M. S. Isenberg, '93, McConnellstown, Pa.
- Oration, "Evil Effects of the Use of Tobacco," Howard M. Wright, Monroeville, N. J.
- Music, "Last Cigar."
- Music, "Sunday School Scholar."
- Music, "The Soldier's Farewell."
- Benediction, Vice President Super, D. D., Collegeville, Pa.

The orations evinced careful, logical thought. Each speaker in turn spoke with graceful delivery, clear enunciation and an ease of manner that was free from any hesitation or other evidence of lack of memory. The musical features of the exercises were very attractive. They were provided by the College Orchestra, I. C. Williams, '91,
conductor, and the College Glee Club, led by Professor N. M. Balliet, and each of these organizations came in for a most generous share of well-deserved applause. The Glee Club sang its several numbers in a way that won for it the enthusiastic approval of all present, and it will consequently remember with deep pleasure its first appearance at an Ursinus anniversary. The members of the club and its energetic leader are entitled to warmest praise for what they have achieved in the direction of good singing during the term just closed. The anniversary in every detail was full of good things for all who attended it and highly creditable to those who took an active part in securing for it so happy an issue.

The Committee of Arrangements to which a full share of the honors of the occasion is due, consisted of Jay G. Francis, '91, chairman; J. Abner Hunsinkcer, '92; J. Warren Bauman, '93; H. H. Hartman, '94, and W. F. Longacre, '95. The invitations to the anniversary were tasteful and handsome in design, and the programme used for the evening was neatly printed. All the other accessories of the event were in equal good keeping with its general commendable character.

ZWINGLIAN LECTURE.

The Zwinglian Society has secured the services of Rev. Theo. F. Clark, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to deliver the second lecture of his series on "A Knapsack Tour of the World." The subject of this second lecture is "Wanderings in Northern India and China," and follows the lecture on "A Knapsack Journey from New York to Central India," which he recently delivered in the College chapel under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Clark's lectures are interesting and entertaining, and he deserves the patronage of the entire community.

GENERAL SOCIETY NOTES.

The Zwinglians have lately improved their hall by the addition of several new lamps and a number of new chairs. The society is rapidly outgrowing its present accommodations and is anxiously looking ahead to new quarters. During the Fall Term it added a number of new members to its already long list. Its meetings are well attended, and all show an interest and energy in preparing themselves for their duties. The debates are interesting and often display excellent study and research. The Zwings seem to realize that, however important Latin, Greek and Mathematics are in training the mind, it is, after all, the practical work done in the literary society that will tell when the actor comes to play his part in the great drama of life.

The officers of the Ebrard Society for the term were: President, H. T. Wagner; Vice President, J. W. Bauman; Recording Secretary, I. F. Wagner; Corresponding Secretary, Thomas E. Kalbach; Treasurer, E. F. Wiest; Chaplain, F. H. Fisher; Critic, Paul Land; Librarian, Leander Rohrbach; Editor, H. M. Wiest; and Correspondent to the Bulletin, P. Ellsworth Heimer.

The society meets every Thursday afternoon.

The officers of the Olevian Society are as follows: President, Sallie Hendricks, '94; Vice-President, Jessie Royer, '92; Recording Secretary, Sallie Tyson, '94; Corresponding Secretary, Lillie Preston, '91; Treasurer, Hallie Vanderslice, '91; Critic, Nora Shuler, '94; Editress, Ida Robison, '94; Chaplain, May Kratz, '91.
NEWS ABOUT COLLEGE.

THE COLLEGE LIBRARY.

During the Fall term about two hundred volumes were added to the College Library. Rev. James I. Good, D. D., donated a collection of one hundred and sixty-three volumes, the Schaff Society purchased thirty-two, and different friends presented some additional books.

Those presented by Dr. Good include literary, historical and religious works. Among them are some rare editions of classic authors and some that have long been out of print. They comprise the works of Pindar, Anacreon, Hesiod, Homer, Sophocles, Eschylus, Livy, Herodotus, Isocrates, Aristotle (16 vols.) and others. Among the historical works are Hume's, Smollett's and Bissett's histories of England. The collection purchased by the Schaff Society contains Abbott's Histories of famous men.

With these additions, the College Library numbers 3700 volumes, not including the bequest of the late President Bomberger. The library is constantly increasing, and that the students know the value of it is shown by the number of books read and consulted.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT NOTES.

Prof. Jas. I. Good, D. D., entered on his course of lectures on Reformed Church History during the term just closed. The lectures are exceedingly interesting and instructive.

The members of the Senior Theological Class were greatly pressed with work during the entire session. The Church is making liberal demands of them. Mr. J. Lewis Fluck supplied various pulpits in Chester county, and Mr. I. Calvin Fisher supplied the St. Matthew's and St. Paul's churches, Anselma, Pa., for a month, and East Vincent and Pikeland for the same time. Mr. Ernest Clapp has been holding services in a hall at Royersford every alternate Sabbath eve with the view of effecting an organization. Mr. H. A. I. Benner filled the pulpit of St. John's Reformed Church, Tamaqua, Pa., for a number of Sundays.

Mr. H. E. Kilmer, of the Junior Class, has been engaged in mission work at Bethel Reformed Church, at Twenty-first and Tasker streets, Philadelphia, Rev. Wilson Delaney, pastor. Mr. Paul Land, of the same class, has been following similar work for Rev. P. H. Dippel, of Zion's Reformed Church, Philadelphia.

Mr. I. Calvin Fisher was called home in October to the bedside of his dying mother, who fell asleep on the morning of the 29th of that month, a week after his arrival. The funeral services and interment took place at Trinity Reformed Church, near Myerstown, Pa. Revs. H. J. Welker, '76, and H. Hilbish, officiating. Messrs. J. Lewis Fluck and H. E. Kilmer, of the Theological Seminary, were in attendance.

ADDITIONAL MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions in honor of the memory of our lamented President Bomberger, passed respectively by the Faculty of the college and the Schaff Literary Society immediately after the opening of the recent Fall Term, are entitled to a place in these columns, even at this late day. Those last mentioned were omitted from the Memorial Number because of a lack of space, while the former did not appear for the reason that they were mislaid in the hur-
ried transfer of papers that was made necessary by the sudden illness and departure from the college of Professor Peters, Secretary of the Faculty. The resolutions are given in full:

BY THE FACULTY OF URSINUS COLLEGE.

We are called upon to record a heavy weight of affliction. Our friend, fellow-laborer and honored President, has been removed from his work and taken to his rest after an active and busy life. We bear witness to his zeal for the truth, fidelity to the cause of Christ and abundance of labors for the Gospel.

To the cause of christian education he gave a consecrated life, eminent ability and courageous devotion. To the faith of the Reformation he gave a strong attachment and unswerving fidelity. To the Ursinus College, as its founder and main support, amid self-denial, discouragement and opposition, he gave the best year of his life. We miss his counsel in our meetings, his prayers in our services, and his direction in the conduct of the institution.

Taking encouragement from his example and profit from his instruction, we continue our labor to perpetuate the work which he began. We rejoice to know that his work was not in vain and that he is now in the reward of the righteous.

Resolved, by the Faculty of Ursinus College, that we mourn with sadness the bereavement which has overtaken us in the death of the Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., LL. D., President of this college, and that we hereby give this our testimony to his noble life and devotion to the interests of this college.

Resolved, That while we deeply mourn his departure from our midst, we bow in humble submission to Him whose Omnipotent hand guides and directs us in all things.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in the loss of a beloved father, and would commend them, for comfort and support, to Him who is nigh unto them who are of a broken heart.

Resolved, That these resolutions be engrossed upon the minute book of the society, and published in the Ursinus College Bulletin.

P. E. Heimer,
H. T. Wagner,
William Erdi,

Ursinus College, Penna., Committee.
September 5, 1890.

ANOTHER POSTSCRIPT MEMORIAL ITEM.

Further matters of general interest relating to the death of the head of the college, which the limited pages of the memorial number made it impossible to note, were the special services held in his memory by different congregations throughout the entire denomination, including that of the First Reformed Church, of Philadelphia, of which the deceased was formerly pastor, and the numerous resolutions of respect that were adopted in many widely-separated pastoral fields. Accounts of such services and copies of resolutions of this nature were published in the Church papers and elsewhere at the time, and the Bulletin has room only for this brief mention of them by way of record.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

The Fall Session of the college came to a successful close on the evening of
December 18th with the anniversary of the Schaff Society, elsewhere reported. The Winter Term opens on Monday, January 5th, 1891, and all those who desire to enter the college with the beginning of the new term would do well to make immediate application for examination and admission. The opening address of the term will be delivered on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. Prof. George Stibitz, A. M., Ph. D.

The “Ursinus College Press Club,” organized with the object of keeping the papers of eastern Pennsylvania regularly supplied with reliable news from the college, has accomplished excellent results this Fall. Its labors have been systematic and thorough and commendable zeal has characterized the working out of the definite purpose which it has in view. A more or less extended description of the plans and principles of the club may be expected in a future issue.

During the last weeks of the term the skating on the Perkiomen was very fine, and a large number of the students took advantage of the splendid opportunities for this most exhilarating sport.

The evidences of prosperity in the Music Department of the college are very gratifying, and it is a pleasure to know that the thorough and effective teaching of Miss Kegrise is so cordially appreciated.

The initiation fee in the Zwinglian and Schaff societies has been raised from $1.50 to $3.00 and the dues have been changed from ten to twenty cents.

G. H. Meixell, of the Theological Department of the college, has been elected to a position as teacher in the Moravian Parochial School, Bethlehem, Pa. He expects to accept the position and enter upon his new duties at the beginning of the new year.

THE BOMBERGER MEMORIAL BUILDING.

BY REV. G. W. WILLIARD, D. D., LL. D.

Having by a peculiar Providence become associated with the College and Theological Seminary of Ursinus, it may be expected by its alumni, friends and patrons, that I should, according to the custom of the day, say something respecting the work before us and the objects to be accomplished by the institution that bears the name of one of the founders of the Reformed church. As the work, however, is so much like that in which I have been engaged for the last twenty-four years, it will hardly seem strange to me, even though the sphere be different. In the eyes of the Lord it matters but little where we labor, if we only do our work to his honor and glory.

Feeling that I am in the line of duty, it will ever be my purpose and desire to co-operate with the friends of Ursinus in every thing calculated to advance its interests; and I trust that my transition from the West back to the East may in the language of a dear Brother in a letter just to hand, “be so carefully effected by the Lord’s kind and masterly hand as to make it hardly perceptible that any change has taken place in soil or relation.”

In entering upon the work before us I am first of all reminded of the sad Providence that has made any change necessary in the teaching force of Ursinus. The death of Dr. Bomberger, which occurred scarcely two weeks before the opening of the present collegi-
ate year, was not only unexpected, but a most serious loss to the institution which he had the honor of founding and of which he was the acknowledged head and leader during its past history. The noble work which Ursinus has thus far done is to be attributed largely to his influence and inspiration.

The death of good men is always a serious loss to the church, which needs their prayers, influence, and example; but when any one who has become so identified with any particular movement, tendency or work as Dr. Bomberger was with Ursinus College and Theological Seminary, is removed by death, the loss is doubly great, making it altogether fitting that his friends, and especially those who stood associated with him and are to succeed him in the work he laid down, should cry out in the anguish of their souls as Elisha did when called to part with Elijah, My father, my father, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon us, that we may take up the work where thou hast left it and carry it forward to its ultimate completion, to the praise and glory of our common Lord and Master.

The honor of founding systems of religion, schools of philosophy, colleges and theological seminaries, is accorded to only a comparatively small number of persons, and whenever they do in the providence of God accomplish a work like this, it has been common to perpetuate their names in some befitting way. Thus the names of Zwingli, Luther, Calvin, Knox, Wesley, and others which will at once recur to the reader, have in various ways been transmitted to the present time, and are familiar as household words. Our brethren of Franklin and Marshall College have also only recently been engaged in the noble and praiseworthy work of endowing the Presidency of said College in memory of the late lamented Dr. J. W. Nevin, who was for many years its honored head, and devoted the largest portion of his long life to advance the cause of Christian education and make the college worthy of the patronage of the church and community. The movement was so fitting and proper in itself that it at once met with the favor and approval of the many friends and pupils of the distinguished theologian and philosopher, and was soon carried to a successful completion, and will remain in all time to come a fitting monument of his piety and learning.

Looking back as we now do over the noble life and work of Dr. Bomberger, whose death is so fresh in our memory that our hearts still overflow with sorrow and grief at the great loss we have sustained, it is with great pleasure we have heard of the desire and purpose of his many friends and pupils to erect a building for the future use of Ursinus College, which it was his good fortune to found and carry to its present state of prosperity, as a monument to his piety, learning, devotion, and love of the church of his fathers, whose doctrines, cultus and irenical spirit it was his constant aim and endeavor to defend and transmit in their purity and simplicity, as a precious legacy to the generations that are to come. There is nothing among the many things that might be done to perpetuate his name and work that would, in our judgment, be such a fitting monument to his memory as a Memorial Building on the campus which he so often trod and surveyed with pleasure and delight, and which will ever be sacred to those who were so
fortunate as to sit under his instruction and receive the impress of his life and character, and which will in all time to come speak to those who may visit these grounds, or come to enter its classic halls to fit themselves for their life’s work.

Being, therefore, fully in accord with the contemplated movement I shall take great delight in helping it along to the extent of my ability to a speedy consummation. Having been by one year the junior of Dr. Bomberger in Marshall College, where we both completed our college and theological studies, it was my fortune to form an acquaintance with him in early life which became more intimate as the years rolled on during our ministry of fifty years. In this time we often met in the synodical gatherings of the Church and in private conferences, to consult about the progress of the Lord’s work, and learned to know and love each other most intimately and tenderly. And knowing as I do the sincerity of his motives, the singleness of his purposes, the readiness with which he made sacrifices for the cause of Christ, the love which he had for the Church of his choice, the absorbing desire of his heart to defend and preserve in its purity the faith once delivered to the saints against all error and misrepresentation, his conscientiousness in the discharge of every duty, together with his persistent and continuous labor in the different positions in which he was placed during his ministry, I not only give my approval to the project of erecting a building on the campus in memory of the great work which he, under God, accomplished, but would also express the hope that it may be begun at an early day. There is nothing that can be gained by delay; and very much by embracing the present opportunity, whilst all the circumstances of his life and death are fresh in our minds, urging us to go forward in accents in full accord with the words, among the last to which he gave utterance, “Onward, Christian soldiers, onward, onward.”

It is further eminently fitting to go forward at once with the contemplated movement, because of the great need there is of such a building, not only to perpetuate the memory of Dr. Bomberger, but also to add and give broader scope to the work which he inaugurated and carried forward with such signal success for twenty years. To those acquainted with the circumstances and difficulties connected with the past history of Ursinus, it is a marvel how it was possible to purchase the ground, erect the needed buildings, employ the able corps of teachers it has had, and meet all its liabilities by the voluntary contribution of its friends, not having a dollar of endowment to fall back upon. Nothing could demonstrate more fully than its past success that the movement was of God, who inclined the hearts of his people to rally around it and give it the support it needed. Encouraged by the past and not dismayed by the death of him who never flinched in any emergency, but always hoped against hope, it is due to his memory that we should not only continue the work as he left it, but in the exercise of the faith and trust he had in God, also devise liberal things so as to increase its efficiency and enlarge its usefulness. It is with colleges as with churches and every other form of Christian activity, they ought all the while to be in the line of progress. To stand
still and be satisfied with present attainments is to degenerate and lose ground. We should all the while seek to improve and enlarge the sphere of our operation. A new building with all the necessary appliances and accommodations in the way of a good chapel, large and commodious recitation rooms, laboratory, library, cabinet, society and Y. M. C. A. rooms, would meet pressing wants, awaken new interest and be in full accord with the aggressive and liberal spirit which Dr. Bomberger always evinced, and would lift Ursinus to a higher plane of usefulness. Why not, therefore, gather inspiration from his noble life and example, and go forward with faith in God, being fully assured that success will crown our efforts?

But, not to mention other things, we would yet add that the project also commends itself in this that it affords an excellent opportunity to the very large number of friends of Dr. Bomberger, scattered far and wide, to give a practical and substantial illustration of their appreciation of the work he accomplished amid the greatest opposition and discouragement. A man of ordinary parts and of an irresolute will would soon have become disheartened and given up in despair. But born, as he was, with all the elements of a great leader, with courage to face danger and reproach if need be, and with the ability to defend himself and the cause he had espoused, he had many admirers and supporters all over the Church who will cheerfully contribute to the erection of a building for the use of Ursinus College to be known as Bomberger Memorial Hall. As an instance of the favor with which the project is viewed we may say that Mr. Robert Patterson, of Philadelphia, a true friend and admirer of Dr. Bomberger, has generously offered to head the list with a subscription of $25,000, which, it is hoped, will cover one-half of the cost of said building. With such a princely offer to begin with it is to be hoped there will be such an emulation among the friends of the deceased that there will be but little trouble to raise the entire amount within the next nine months. Let all, therefore, lay the matter to heart and determine what amount they can give, and if not called upon, report to the writer or Rev. H. T. Spangler at Collegeville, Pa.

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, Montgomery Co., Pa.]

'75. Rev. Leighton G. Kremer, son of the late Rev. F. W. Kremer, D. D., of Lebanon, departed this life at Spring City, Chester county, Penna., on the 25th of August, 1890. He was buried at Shepherdstown, West Virginia, on August 28th. He died in the early prime of his Gospel ministry in the midst of the active and successful work of his chosen field.

'77. Rev. S. M. Hench, of Walkersville, Maryland, has accepted a call to Brownback's Charge, Chester county, Pennsylvania, to succeed Rev. A. D. Wofinger, '87.

'77. Rev. John H. Bomberger, of Columbiana, Ohio, is in Florida for the winter, and is rapidly regaining his full health and strength after the severe attack of typhoid fever with which he was stricken down the middle of last sum-
Summer, and from which his convalescence was slow and somewhat discouraging until he reached the "land of sunshine and flowers." His congregation has granted him a six months' leave of absence. His address is Paola P. O., Orange County.

183. The Bulletin is informed of the recent wedding of Dr. George W. Woltersberger, of Philadelphia, last year's president of the Alumni Association, to a lady of Wilmington, Delaware. No details of the happy event have been received, and the name of the bride, therefore, cannot be given.

184. Rev. James W. Meminger, of Lancaster, Penna., and Miss Florence Hollinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hollinger, of the same place, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, on Tuesday afternoon, November 4th, 1890. Rev. Henry A. Bomberger, '84, of York, Penna., was best man.

185. Rev. Joseph L. Murphy, of Hickory, North Carolina, was, in June last, called upon to feel the severest fires of sorrow in the death of his wife, which occurred but shortly before the time of the college commencement.

186. Rev. E. C. Hibshman, who resigned his position as assistant pastor of Heidelberg Reformed Church, Philadelphia, this Fall, has accepted a call to St. Luke's Church, Trappe, from the pastorate of which Rev. H. T. Spangler, '73, withdrew in September last that he might devote all his time to the interests of Ursinus.

187. P. Calvin Mensch, M. D., who began active work as a practitioner in Memphis, Tennessee, has been located at his old home, Pennsburg, Pennsylvania, since the death of his brother last Summer, associated with his father, who is also a physician.

187. The Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary of Bœhm's Church, Blue Bell, Montgomery county, Pa., of which Rev. C. E. Wehler is pastor, was appropriately celebrated on September 11th last. Mr. Wehler and his wife have recently taken possession of the handsome new parsonage kindly erected for their use by the members of this energetic congregation.

188. Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, having resigned the pastorate of Brownback's Charge, Chester county, Pennsylvania, and accepted a call to Thornville, Ohio, is now engaged in the successful pursuit of his chosen calling in the latter place.

188. A. H. Hendricks, Esq., of the Norristown bar, and Miss Ella T. Miller, of Limerick, were married at the residence of the bride's parents on Tuesday evening, October 21st. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. H. Hendricks, father of the groom, assisted by Rev. E. T. Kretschmann.

189. Ernest Clapp and W. H. Stubblebine, students of theology, who spent the first year of their course at Union Seminary, New York, returned to Ursinus during the recent Fall term.

190. Edward S. Bromer, of Schwenksville, Penna., and Miss Flora K. Schwenk, of Collegeville, were married November 9th, 1890, at the Lutheran parsonage, Trappe, by Rev. E. T. Kretschman.

190. Charles H. Brandt, Harvey E. Kilmer, Granville H. Meixell, Charles H. Slinghoff and Paul M. Spangler are attending the Theological Department of Ursinus. Edwin S. Bromer and Charles P. Kehl have entered Yale Divinity School. Robert G. Magee has
been admitted to Union Theological Seminary, New York, where Joseph K. Freed, who was a member of the class until the end of its Junior year, is also in attendance. Albert H. Eberly, William F. Ruff and Ralph Royer have matriculated at the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania. The remaining member of the class, William H. Loose, is assisting in his father’s business in Myerstown, Penna. As is thus seen, eight out of the twelve members of the class have the gospel ministry in view.

GENERAL TOPICS.

REFORMATION DAY.

Six years ago the General Synod of Baltimore directed that the third Sunday of January should be observed throughout the Reformed Church as a memorial of the Reformation of the sixteenth century. The propriety of an annual Reformation festival in every Protestant church ought to be granted without argument. The fact that so few churches have accepted the ordinance indicates indifference to the instructions of General Synod or a lack of Reformation zeal. It is to be feared that the latter explains the slight attention that has been paid to the day in the pulpits, religious papers and almanacs of the Church.

Surely, the friends of Ursinus should not be slow in embracing the opportunity which Reformation day offers to deepen the interest of the people in the principles on which the college is founded. To conserve Reformation doctrine and worship, to raise up a ministry that would be faithful to the historical tenets of the Church, the institution was brought into being. We are recreant to its fundamental aim and purpose if we do not seek to educate the people to a right apprehension and more intelligent appreciation of those principles. Loyalty to the college, as well as to the Church, requires that we should improve the day.

That the observance of a Reformation memorial might be practically effective, the General Synod of 1887 directed that offerings should be received in connection with the services of the day for the support of the theological institutions of the Church. This is eminently fit and proper. The schools of the prophets do not receive anything from their students for the instruction given. The professors must, therefore, be supported by the income from endowment funds, or by voluntary contributions from the churches. In the Reformed Church none of the theological seminaries are endowed sufficiently to meet all expenses. Even the oldest, the seminary at Lancaster, must come to the District Synod annually and beg for the pittance of one hundred dollars to help pay its Professor of Elocution. The Seminary of the Mission House at Sheboygan depends entirely on annual collections in the German churches and gifts from individuals.

Ursinus has been carrying its Theological Department by the professors doing double duty for half pay. And for the limited salaries that are being paid the college must depend largely upon the contributions that are gathered by the financial agent. A considerable portion of the money he raises cannot be applied to the liquidation of debt, because it is needed to pay the professors. This ought not to be so. The pastors ought to be willing to take one collection a year in each of their
churches toward the current expenses of the institution. One professor could be supported by each congregation friendly to the college contributing only five dollars annually. Where is the church so poor or so unwilling that it cannot do this, if the pastor make a little effort? It is for such a collection in connection with Reformation day that we now plead with the pastors. Hold a special service on the day, if possible, but observe it at least with a collection. If you do not wish to preach a sermon tell your people that this is Reformation Day and that, in obedience to General Synod’s directions, offerings will be received for the support of one of the theological institutions of the Church. Pastors who do not preach in all their churches every Lord’s Day can ask for the collection on the Sunday before or after the third Sunday of January. Or if you preach in a section of the Church where special collections are not allowed, devote a portion of your harvest or missionary offerings to this purpose, and forward it to the college at any time. Let a special effort be made along the whole line to help the cause by this simple but effective method.

The third Sunday of January, 1891, will fall on the 18th, just one day before the anniversary of the publication of the Heidelberg Catechism, in 1563.

**Jesus is King!**

**By Aymar.**

*Jesus is King!*—Why not?

Was He not God
Revealed in human flesh?
Was not He th’ co-eternal Son
Of Him by whom all things were made,—
Who formed us men?
Thought He it theft to be His peer?
Nay, verily; for in Him dwelt

The fulness of the triune God.

"Ere Abram was, I am," said Christ,
"My Lord and I are one!"—
And spoke the truth.

God’s own image, indeed, was He
Who sits on the throne of the Majesty
On High.

Is He not fit to be our King?
And ought not we His praises sing,
And crown Him Lord of all?

*Jesus is King!*—Most sure.

Was not His birth
Proclaimed by angels’ voice?
The child laid in manger lowliest,
A child of humble parentage,
The wise men came,
And, bearing precious offerings
From distant lands, would worship Him,
The King, whose star so bright had shone.
E’en Herod on his throne did quake
With fear, and rightly too,
For Christ was come.
In Israel’s land a Sceptre great
Had ris’n to save the tottering state
Of man.

“Wonderful,” true, in name and birth;
And shall not His be all the earth?
Then crown Him King of kings.

*Jesus is King!*—Who else?

Where such a man
As He, the Nazarene?
Was in Him found a stain of sin?
E’en Pilate said, in Him there is
No fault at all.

Holy, was He, and pure and good,
Who sacrificed self that men might come
To th’ glory and joy of th’ eternal home.
His loving kindness, O, how great!
How quick to see man’s woes,
And lend a hand!

His sympathy, like constant ray
Of sun, turns into brightest day
The night.

A mighty Prince of Peace is He!
And ought not all His people be?
O, crown Him, the Great King.

*Jesus is King!*—By right.

Did ever one
Perform such mighty works?
Vain worldly show did not appear,
But truest words of Heavenly sound,
And marvellous deeds!
The blind man sees earth’s charming hues;
The deaf do hear sweet Nature’s songs;
Like harts the lame do leap for joy;
Lepers are cleansed; the sick are healed;
Sad hearts break forth in praise—
Their dead are raised!
His name—the best in mortal ken;
His voice—the sweetest known to men
Is Christ's.
Rejoicing throngs sound far His fame.
Why should not all do just the same,
And make Him King of kings?

Jesus is King!—Behold!
He dies. The Man
Of sorrows dies for man!
In earth where is there love like this?
To give up all for one's best friends,
Seems not so hard.
But He was slain for those of men
Who all their days did fierce oppose
His sway, and would not let Him in;
And whom, at last, by Satan led,
They guiltily conspired
To crucify.
For these He died—O, love divine!—
That they might all be made to shine
In Heav'n.
Before the Lamb, a Saviour now,
Let all the world in homage bow,
Crowning Him King of kings.

Jesus is King!—'Tis fix'd.
Hath not God said
"Come forth"?—the grave obeys
A mighty Conqu'ror, He returns
To the great throne prepared for Him
And all His own.
Exalted to be Judge of men—
And Lord of Heav'n—by God's decree,
Th' eternal city is His seat.
Before Him stand, in countless host,
God's holy ones, with palms,
And sing aloud.
In earth, indeed, the sound is heard
And taken up—creation's stirred
With praise.
And shall not all join in the strain,
And echo back the sweet refrain,
"Worthy the Lamb," our King!

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$10,000 ALUMNI FUND.
The Alumni Association at its meeting in June, 1890, resolved to raise ten thousand dollars for the liquidation of the debt resting on the college by hav-
of graduates, fan the embers of past experiences, and get the hearts to a ruddy glow. Then try the practical test—"how much owest thou to Alma Mater?" "How great is thy debt to the teacher who gave his life for you and your fellows?" That was the way Brother Alfred Taylor managed the dear brethren of New York and vicinity. How the old fire did burn, and the pulses beat fast, and the subscription list grew to handsome proportions. Such a love feast will bear repetition and imitation.

Committee.

EXCHANGE NOTES.

Among our many exchanges we acknowledge this month the following:


The "Emory Phoenix," of Oxford, Georgia, has reached us for the first time. It is a four-page journal and contains several articles of merit, the principal one being on the "Social Problem."

The "Baker Beacon" continues its weekly visits. While it is open to many suggestions for improvement, we fully realize the efforts that must be required to publish a spicy journal every week.

"Our Dumb Animals," with its beautiful engravings, is always welcome. Its mission of "speaking for those that cannot speak for themselves" is certainly a noble one.

The November number of the "Cadet" comes to us with a "Rat Story" and a "Dream," the latter relating how some one had a vision that he "caught a furious cold and to remedy it put his feet in a mustard bath," which fact he imagined would be exceedingly interesting to the public and therefore deserved publication. We fear, however, the interest in his foot-bath was only local, and trust that for the next issue of the "Cadet" its editors will be able to find articles of more literary merit than the four versions of a very ordinary rat-chase.

The October issue of the "Thielensian" is filled with commendable articles, its editorials being especially worthy of note. It contains some very sensible observations on the unjust prejudices which communities frequently acquire against students of colleges located in their midst. The sentiment "Honor to whom honor is due," as presented in the contribution entitled "Irregular Collegiate Courses," will also be received with warm approval by many readers.

The "Mercersburg College Monthly" is making progress in appearance and contents, and promises before long to be a worthy rival of the journals representing the larger institutions of the country.

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sical development; and how is this development to be obtained? Without hesitation we would say that outdoor exercise is best adapted to a student's needs; for what gives color to the cheeks, suppleness to the limbs, health to the system and activity to the mind more quickly than fresh air? Of little use is a mind without a body to support it, or a body without a mind to govern it."—Adelphian.

The "Pennsylvania College Monthly" speaks for itself and is highly appreciated in the Reading Room. It is made additionally interesting and spicy by its college locals.

The "Haverfordian" devotes much space to the interests of football. It appears to be the desire of many college editors to make their journals notable for their sporting notes rather than for literary work.

The "Owl" compares very creditably with other exchanges on our table. Its several departments are relatively well proportioned.

**GENERAL COLLEGE NEWS.**

The Freshman class at Yale numbers over four hundred.

There are four thousand young men preparing for the ministry in American Colleges.

The College of William and Mary, in Virginia, which a few years ago was virtually closed, now has as many students as can be accommodated, and more buildings are called for.

Denison University, Granville, Ohio, has received, within the past five months, $100,000 additional endowment.

The National University at Tokio, Japan, enrolls 50,000 students.

The University of the City of New York will hereafter admit women to the law course on the same conditions as men.

The bronze statue of ex-President Woolsey to be erected at Yale will cost about $14,000.

It is estimated that the number of American colleges is increasing at the rate of fifteen a year.

A deed has been recorded in the County Clerk's office at Plattsburg, New York, from Thomas Armstrong, conveying to the trustees of Union College property in that village to the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, to endow a Professorship of Political Economy.

The Hon. William W. Foulke, of Indiana, President of the Civil Service Reform League of that State, has been unanimously elected President of Swarthmore College. Mr. Foulke is forty-two years old. He is expected to assume office on the first day of March next.

Professor E. J. James of the University of Pennsylvania, has been offered the chair of Political Economy at Harvard University.

The will of the late Daniel B. Fayerweather, of New York, contains a remarkable list of splendid bequests to colleges. Among the institutions that receive legacies, are the following: Bowdoin College (Maine), Amherst College, Williams College, Dartmouth College, Wesleyan University (Conn.), Hamilton College (N. Y.), University of Rochester, Lincoln University (Chester Co., Pa.), each $100,000; Union Theological Seminary and Lafayette College, each $50,000; Yale College, Sheffield Scientific School, $300,000; and
Columbia College, and Cornell University (New York), each $200,000. The bequests to colleges amount in all to $2,100,000.

MONTHLY SUMMARY.

CONGREGATIONAL.

RECENT CHURCH DEDICATIONS.

St. Peter’s Reformed Church, corner of Centre and Main streets, South Easton. Cost of building, about $9000. Indebtedness, about $4200. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Miller.


CORNER-STONES LAYINGS.

The Reformed Church of Terre Haute, Indiana, the new building to be large, and handsome and of modern design, with a tower 155 feet in height.

The Reformed Chapel in West Bethlehem, Penna., which is being built by the members of Christ Church.

The Reformed Church at Bethel, Somerset county, Penna. Pastor, Rev. I. W. Berger.

St. Thomas Reformed Church, Reading, Penna. Pastor, Rev. Dr. A. S. Leimbach.

MINISTERIAL.

Accola, Dr. O. J., address changed to 1330 Willington St., Chicago, Ill.

Albright, D. B., address changed from Orwigsburg to Mollsville, Pa.

Bartholomew, A. R., resigns Secretaryship of Board of Foreign Missions.

Brecht, J. J., died at Sauk City, Wis., September 27th.

Callender, Dr. S. N., resigns Mt. Crawford charge, Va.

Dieckmann, Wm., address changed to Belvidere, Frank. Co., Tenn.

Donat, W. D., address changed from Shenandoah to Wapwallopen, Pa.

Fauci, G., address changed to 606 N St., Washington, D. C.

Good, Dr. Jas. I., resigns Heidelberg Church, Philadelphia, and is installed at Calvary Church, Reading.

Hacker, T. J., address changed from Shamokin, Pa., to 908 Walnut St., Allentown, Pa.

Herzog, J., address changed to Waukesha, Wis.

Hibshman, E. C., resigns as assistant pastor of Heidelberg church, Philadelphia, and is elected to St. Luke’s church, Trappe, Penna.

Hauser, J. C., died November 20th at Baltimore, Md., aged 52 years.

Kriete, C. F., address changed to 1714 Prentice St., Louisville, Ky.

Kohler, P. S., address changed to Crestline, Crawford Co., Ohio.

Kuhn, S., address changed to Mt. Pleasant Mills, Snyder Co., Pa.

Lefevre, W. D., address changed from Stoystown to Eldertown, Armstrong Co., Pa.

Messinger, Silas L., Blair, Perry Co., Pa., elected pastor of the Reformed congregation of Spring City, Pa.

Meyers, S. S., address changed from Dott to La Camas, Clark Co., Washington.

Martin, J. G., address changed to 1328 S. 15th St., St. Joseph, Mo.

Miller, S. S., address changed from Boonesboro, Md., to St. Petersburg, Pa.

Mitman, S. U., address changed from Newburg to Stroudsburg, Pa.

Reiter, Lewis, address changed from Hickory, N. C., to Waynesboro, Augusta Co., Va.

Rinker, H. St. J., resigns the pastorate of the church at Lovettsville, Va.

Reinig, Dr. E. W., Plainfield, Pa., resigns on account of illness.

Shaley, W. E., installed as pastor at Iola, Kan.

Silvius, U., address, 620 Venango St., Philadelphia.

Stern, M. G. I., address changed to 159 Merrill St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Scedes, H. H., accepts call to Ada, Ohio.

Schmidt, J. G., address changed to box 374, Astoria, Oregon.

Schmeck, Abraham, address changed to New Knoxville, Ohio.

Strasner, F., address changed to 171 Tuscarawas St., Canton, Ohio.

Weller, E. E., address changed from Gebharts- ville, Pa., to 162 Baltimore St., Cumberland, Md.
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