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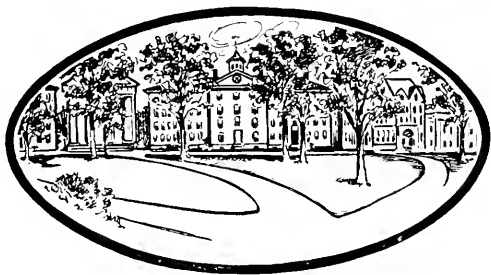


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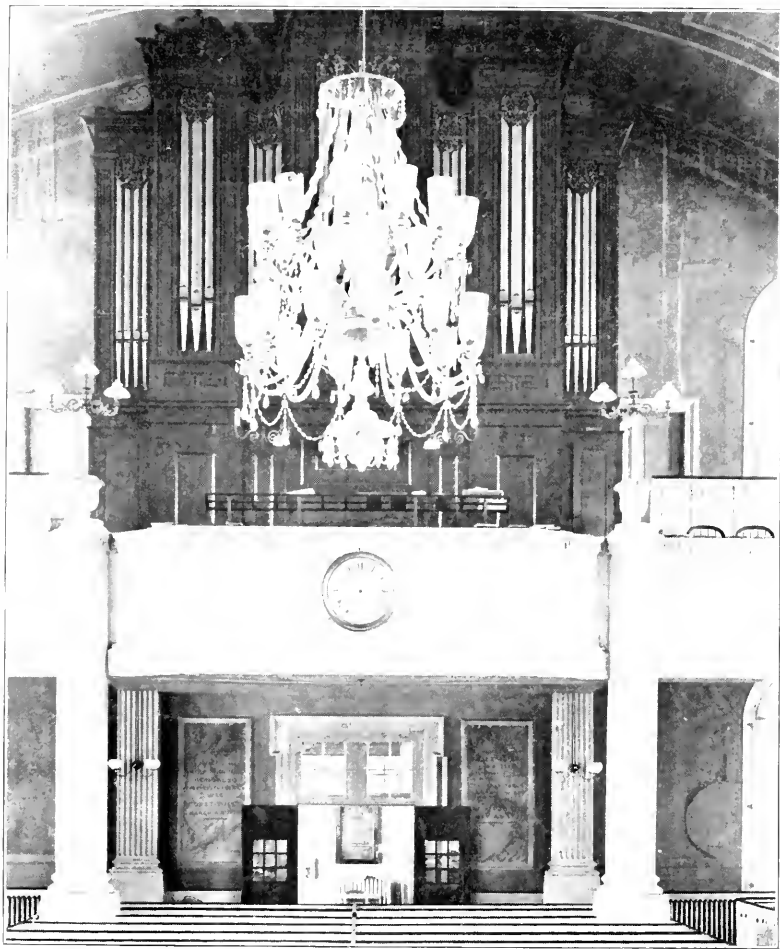
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THE CHANDELIER IN THE MEETING-HOUSE



THE STATELY CHANDELIER IN THE COLLEGE MEETING-HOUSE

The handsome crystal chandelier in the college meeting-house must have attracted the attention of many an alumnus of Brown. It is an impressive piece of workmanship, and suits the stately interior of the historic place of worship. In response to an inquiry regarding its history, Colonel R. H. I. Goddard, '58, of Providence has

kindly given the Alumni Monthly the following information:

"The information I have in regard to the chandelier in the First Baptist Church is, of course, tradition, mainly: It was given to the society by Hope Brown, my grandmother, who was born in 1773. She died in 1855. She was the daughter of

Nicholas Brown (one of the 'four brothers'), who died in 1791. My grandmother, Hope Brown, was married to Thomas Poynton Ives, March 5, 1792, a little less than a year after the death of her father. She was living at the time of her marriage in a house now standing on Thomas street, opposite the church.

"The chandelier was given by her some time between the death of her father and her marriage in 1792. It was lighted up for the first time when she was married. The wedding took place in the house on Thomas street, and not in the church.

"This information I heard from my mother, years ago, who probably acquired it from her mother."

To Professor A. E. Watson, '88, of the university, the Alumni Monthly is indebted for further particulars. Professor Watson writes:

"Your inquiry about the chandelier in the First Baptist Meeting-House has just reached me and I am pleased to pass along all the information I have on the subject.

"The expression 'crystal' is used in connection with it, rather than 'glass,' and it certainly has many points of beauty and curiosity. Although I have looked over some of the old records of the Charitable Baptist Society, the financial organization that antedates the founding of the state—all the official records covering that time—no mention has appeared concerning this fixture. All the information is a matter of tradition, yet there is no disagreement, as far as I know.

"The chandelier was imported from France and lighted for the first time on the occasion of the marriage of the daughter of Nicholas Brown, who became Mrs. Hope Ives. There is no statement or belief, however, that the wedding took place in the meeting-house. Until 1884 it was fitted with candles, the existing globes being always used, small holes near the bottoms admitting air for combustion. I have been told that wax always dropped through these holes, to the discomfort of those sitting just below. For trimming, the chandelier was regularly lowered, a chain suspending the entire weight, probably approaching half a ton; and there was a counterweight consisting of a box of Revolutionary cannon balls and sling-shot. The change to gas was made at the time mentioned, pipes being necessarily added, but their presence was concealed by their being strung with large beads or bulbs. A gas pipe at present sustains the fixture, but the old chain is still attached, and is used whenever lowering is necessary, as during the recent cleaning.

"Artistically and physiologically the use of the chandelier for light is horrible, for it makes a flare of light directly in the eyes of preacher, choir and occupants of the gallery, and since we equipped the side lights with Welsbach burners we do not use the light from the central source. We are hoping some one will be minded to present the cash for wiring it, when miniature lamps, imitating candles, would be very tolerable and effective."

THE MASTER OF SONG

Think not deafness in the hearer means the silence of the song;
We shall sing, though no man hearken, while earth rolls its course along;
Rolls in music, which we echo, though not ours the music poured,
Earth's nor man's, but His who sweeps them, heart and planet, chord on chord.

Harry Lyman Koopman

OUR YOUTH AND THE BIBLE

A SURPRISING COLLEGE TEST THAT SHOULD NOT GO UNHEEDED

By Vernon P. Squires, 1889, Professor of English, University of North Dakota

(Professor Squires, being struck with the ignorance of the Bible displayed from time to time in his English classes, determined on a written test of freshmen. This was optional, but 139 students participated in it. In the Journal of Education the professor describes the results; a portion of his article is here given.)

The questions were as follows:

1. What is the Pentateuch?
2. Name ten books in the Old Testament.
3. Name ten books in the New Testament.
4. Into what groups or divisions is the Old Testament divided?
5. Who was (1) "the apostle to the Gentiles?" (2) "the beloved disciple?" (3) "the wisest of men?" (4) "the strongest man?" (5) "the first murderer?"
6. What idea is suggested to your mind by each of the following proper nouns? (1) Apollos, (2) Cana, (3) Carmel, (4) Esther, (5) Hezekiah, (6) Ishmaelites, (7) Jephthah, (8) Jezebel, (9) Saul, (10) Sinai.
7. Briefly explain the allusion in each of the following passages:
 - (1) "When Lazarus left his charnel-cave."
—Tennyson.
 - (2) "And so the Word had breath, and wrought
With human hands the creed of creeds."
—Tennyson.
 - (3) "A hungry impostor practicing for a mess of pottage."—Carlyle.
 - (4) "The two St. Johns are the great instances of the angelic life."—Newman.
 - (5) "He changes the self-satisfied Pharisee into the broken-hearted, self-abased Publican."
—Newman.
 - (6) "The man of Uz."—Browning.
 - (7) "You stand stiff as Lot's wife."—Tennyson.
 - (8) "A clamor grew as of a new-world Babel."—Tennyson.
 - (9) "Jonah's gourd."—Tennyson.
 - (10) "Except they meant to bathe in reeking wounds,
Or memorize another Golgotha."
—Shakespeare.

8. Where did you learn what you know of the Bible—at home, school, church, Sunday school or elsewhere?

If we regard 75 per cent. as the "passing mark," twelve, or 8.5 per cent. of the whole number, "passed" this test. Ninety-one (65 per cent.) received less than 50 per cent.; seventy-one (50 per cent.) received less than 40 per cent. The average standing of the entire group was about 40 per cent.

An analysis of the answers to some of the questions is rather interesting. Ten (about 7 per cent.) could not name a book in the Old Testament, and only sixty-eight (less than 50 per cent.) answered the question properly. This is, however, as a matter of fact, a too liberal allowance, as it is based on the acceptance at full value of such spelling as "Deuteromy," "Deuteromoty," "Deuterominy," "Duderominy," "Goshua," "Salms," "Nehiamiah," "Joob," "Jobe," "Jeob." Fourteen (10 per cent.) named "Hezekiah" as one of the books; five named "Solomon;" two, the "Book of Moses." Among original ideas were the mentioning as Old Testament books of "Paul," "Timothy," "Titus," "I and II Romans," "Phenecians," "Babylonians," "Gentiles," "Philistines" and "Xerxes."

The answers in regard to the New Testament were still more unsatisfactory. Twelve (8.5 per cent.) were unable to mention a single book; only forty-six (33 1-3 per cent.) mentioned ten, as requested. Five put Samuel in the New Testament; three, the Psalms; three, Ruth; and two, Esther. One mentioned "I and II Judges." Seventeen mentioned "Paul," or "St. Paul," or "Paul's." Three suggested "Simon;" two, "Jacob." There were also mentions of "Thelesians," "Philipi," "Thomas," "Lazurus" and "Samson Agonistes."

The answers to Question 4 were too varied and vague to be reported here.

Question 5 brought several surprises. I will mention two. The expression, "the apostle to the Gentiles," is so common that I at first hesitated to include it. It seemed to me that everyone would answer it correctly. To my surprise twenty-seven (nearly 20 per cent.) made no attempt at an answer. Seventy-two (practically 50 per cent.) replied correctly, the remainder voting for John (12), Jesus (12), Abraham (5), Peter, John the Baptist, Judas, Moses, Jacob and Methuselah. As to "the beloved disciple," sixty-eight (nearly 50 per cent.) were right; twenty made no attempt; thirty-seven (strange to say) guessed Peter; while others named Paul, James, Jesus, Abraham and David.

In Question 6 I confess to have intentionally included one or more pitfalls. For instance, I expected that some would be confused by the name Apollos. The results, however, exceeded all expectations. Seventy-four (over one-half) made no attempt at an answer. Eleven others answered so vaguely as to be unintelligible. Twenty-six declared it to be the name of a Greek (or heathen) god. Only seven (5 per cent.) gave answers which were clearly correct. Four thought it meant a mountain; three, a town. Others answered "a king," "a giant," "a judge," "an apostle of the Greek church," "another name for Paul," etc. In regard to Cana, too, I expected some confusion. The results were as follows: No attempt, 49; altogether too vague, 20; "the promised land," 22; fairly correct, 28. Other answers were "a mountain," "a desert," "a land in Egypt," "a city in Egypt," "a sinful city that was destroyed," "the first murderer," "a battle fought in Italy." * * *

I will add a few words about Question 8. To this only sixteen failed to reply. Ninety-one (65 per cent.) said that they had attended Sunday school. Sixty-eight mentioned the home as one of their sources of Biblical knowledge. It was noticeable that with a single exception everyone who "passed" emphasized the home. The writer of the best paper said, "especially at home;" the writer of the next best paper said, "mostly at home and by personal study." This emphasis on the home is, I believe, suggestive. Biblical knowledge cannot be taught by ordinary Sunday school methods any more than other sorts of

knowledge could be so taught. The only means to exact information is study—hard, painstaking study. This, I fear, is hardly to be expected in present-day Sunday schools. Nor can Biblical study be carried on in school. There would be trouble at once, were it attempted. But the home remains—the home, which, after all, is the logical place for religious instruction.

A plan has occurred to me, however, by which the forces of school and home and Sunday school may be joined. I think it will be generally granted that Biblical history is as worthy of study as any other ancient history, and that Biblical literature is as worthy as any other literature. Why should not the school prepare a syllabus or outline of Bible study, the following out of which would involve serious study well worthy of academic recognition? This outline should include the mastery of important historical facts, the life-stories of the chief Biblical characters, the geography of Bible lands, and various other matters, including memory passages. With this syllabus and a copy of the Bible in his hand, the high school pupil should be equipped for serious work, and aided by his parents or Sunday school teacher he should be able to accomplish it. For such work after suitable examination the student should receive a proper credit towards his high school diploma and towards admission to college.

To this plan I can see no logical objection. It would be entirely optional with each student as to whether or not he should take the work. It would not be taught in the school, and there could, therefore, be no grounds for the charge of sectarian teaching. The school would simply be giving credit for work which, while done privately, must be recognized to be work worthy of credit, and which will certainly be as useful to the student and as inspirational for his future life as anything can be. With such training our boys and girls would be much better prepared to enter into their spiritual heritage than most of them now are. They would certainly approach the study of the great English classics with a far better chance of appreciating both style and thought; and they would, I believe, incidentally catch ethical ideals and aspirations which would vitally affect their lives.

A BROWN DRAMATIST

A. E. THOMAS, JOURNALIST, NOVELIST AND AUTHOR OF
SUCCESSFUL PLAYS

One of the younger graduates of Brown who is making a name for himself in creative literature is Albert Ellsworth Thomas, a graduate in the class of 1894. At the present time two of his productions are occupying the stages of New York theatres—"Little Boy Blue" and "The Rainbow." The former is an operetta; one of the New York papers calls it "the banner comic opera." It is a musical extravaganza of more than usual attractiveness, elaborately staged, with the first act laid in a Paris café and the last in the highlands of Scotland. The Scotch part of the play is particularly good; there is one charming scene where a party of lads and lassies are decorating an old castle for Christmas. The brilliant kilts, the good voices, the singing of old Scotch songs, combine to make up a memorable diversion.

Mr. Thomas's latest play looks like a substantial success. It is called "The Rainbow," and is indubitable drama. The first presentation of "The Rainbow" occurred at Atlantic City late in February. The first week in March it was at Washington, where, on the opening night, the theatre in which it was played was filled to its capacity. The Washington Herald said of the play that "the season has brought forth no sweeter, saner, sounder comedy than this last work from the irresistible pen of Mr. A. E. Thomas. He creates folk with hearts so human that an audience can scarcely believe that they are but the manufacture of a man's brain."

The Washington Star said: "It may be necessary to make two trips to the theatre to see all of 'The Rainbow,' now being presented at the Columbia. For the person of ordinary susceptibilities is likely to find a large portion of the presentation obscured by tears—not tears of tragic sorrow, but of genial, sympathetic relaxation. The auditor who is at all inclined that way may as well yield frankly to the impulse, for it is sure to assert itself sooner or later, and

one handkerchief more or less in the general display makes no difference."

The Washington Times declared that the success of the play was "instantaneous;" and the Washington Post said: "A story both naive and appealing is told with freshness and simplicity in 'The Rainbow,' a play which touches the wellsprings of sympathy and joy as it is interpreted by Henry Miller and a company admirably responsive to the will of its directing genius."

The comments of the press of New York, to which city the play was transferred on March 11, were also friendly. It



A. E. THOMAS, '94

looks as if the piece would be notable for a long metropolitan run, to be succeeded in due time by a successful career in the rest of the country.

Mr. Thomas was born at Chester, Mass., September 16, 1872, and was graduated from Brown University with the degree of A. B. in 1894. The next year he received the degree of A. M. upon ex-

amination, having in the meantime also served as instructor in rhetoric at the college. He was a member of the staff of the New York Times for a while, served later on the Sun, and contributed to various periodicals, including Collier's Weekly, for which he wrote a description of a visit to Elbert Hubbard's East Aurora publishing plant that attracted much attention.

In 1904 Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, published a novel by Mr. Thomas, under the title of "Cynthia's Rebellion."

This is a pleasant love story with the scene laid in the "South County" of Rhode Island, where Mr. Thomas has spent many of his vacation days in recent years.

His plays include: "Her Husband's Wife," a comedy produced by Henry Miller, 1910; "What the Doctor Ordered," a comedy produced by Wagenhals and Kemper, 1911; "Little Boy Blue," an operetta, produced by Henry W. Savage, 1911; and "The Rainbow," a comedy produced by Henry Miller, 1912.

STATE-AIDED COLLEGES

THEIR ENROLMENT AND THE SALARIES THEY PAY PROFESSORS

The range of salaries for the heads and faculties of state-aided institutions of higher learning in this country is given in a bulletin just issued by the United States Bureau of Education. According to the bulletin the highest paid head of any institution of this class is the president of the University of California, who receives \$12,000 a year and house. The presidents of Illinois University and Cornell University each receive \$10,000 a year and house, while the president of the University of Minnesota gets \$10,000 without house. From these figures, the presidents' salaries run down as low as \$2400. The salaries of the faculty members range from \$50 a year for the least-paid tutor to \$6000 a year for the best-paid full professor, both extremes being touched at Cornell.

The Bureau of Education's bulletin shows that the United States now contains exactly one hundred universities and other institutions of higher education which depend in considerable measure on the state or federal government for their support. Of these sixteen are agricultural and mechanical colleges for negroes. Four of these state-aided institutions have more than 400 members on their faculties; namely, the University of California, with a faculty of 421; the University of Illinois, with 530; Cornell University, with 652,

and the University of Wisconsin, with 486.

The biggest gift reported by the colleges considered for the period under discussion, namely, the college year ended last June 30, came to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, which benefits to the extent of \$1,410,000 from the generosity of three donors. The University of Illinois reports that the state legislature has appropriated \$3,519,300 for its support for the next two years, and has also made provision for the future of the institution by levying a one-mill tax, which two years hence should allow it about \$2,500,000 a year. Cornell has construction work in hand which will cost \$1,052,000.

The Bureau of Education's bulletin also notes all changes in courses and methods of instruction of these institutions for the period under discussion; records the gifts, buildings and improvements; contains a directory of the institutions; shows the student enrolment and inventories their property and income.

The bulletin is entitled "Statistics of State Universities and Other Institutions of Higher Education Partially Supported by the State, for the Year Ended June 30, 1911," and may be obtained from the United States Commissioner of Education, Department of the Interior, Washington.

THE MEN WHO ARE NOT FREE

The sun is shining on the hill
And on the windy sea;
It gleams upon the grackle's flight
And lights the golden tree,
And I who take the upland path
Am glad as glad can be.

"How perfect is the earth," I say;
"How good is life!" and then
My leaping heart is hushed to think
Of those, my fellow-men,
Who glimpse their narrow sky from out
Their desperate prison-pen.

I care not what the deeds may be
That shut them from their kind—
I only know the world is fair
And they are sore confined,
Mere shadows of their former selves
In spirit and in mind.

Are they the sons of wrath, to wrath
Through ages foreordained
By influence and inheritance
Obscure and unexplained,
Creatures whose freedom of the will
Is freedom blind and chained?

For me the beauty of the hill;
For them the iron bars,
The hot regret that sears the soul,
The fierce remorse that scars,
The hopelessness that veils its eyes
From the sardonic stars.

By devious ways and destinies
To this dull end they came—
By patient and ignoble craft,
Or anger swift as flame;
And yet they are my fellow-men,
Who eat their hearts in shame.

The sun is shining on the hill
And on the April sea;
The wind is singing in the oaks
A song of liberty;
But Oh, behind the clanking gates,
The men who are not free!

Henry Robinson Palmer

CHICAGO REUNION

By Earl N. Manchester, 1902

The annual dinner of the Chicago Alumni Association of Brown University was held at the University Club February 9, 1912, and thirty Brown men of Chicago and vicinity were present to greet President Faunce and Dean James R. Angell of the University of Chicago, the guests of honor. After a few minutes devoted to greetings and introductions, President Faunce led the way to the banquet hall, where an excellent dinner was served. Between courses songs of the New and the Old Brown were introduced, there being keen rivalry in this line between the "right and left wings" of the banquet table, the "younger generation" strongly reinforced by five members of the class of 1911 carrying off the honors in the variety of songs rendered. Edward B. Birge, '91, was at the piano and accompanied the rival choruses with marked success. Elmer T. Stevens, '04, presided as toastmaster and introduced President Faunce as the first speaker. He reviewed the year at Brown and gave a very interesting account of the growth and progress of the endowment fund and outlined what it will mean to the university. H. H. Rice, '92, and E. B. Birge, '91, were called on for brief remarks concerning their musical achievements, both past and present, and Abram Mendenhall, '91, recalled the early days of dramatic activity and interest at Brown and entertained with some original "Daffydills" on the names of well-known stage favorites. Professor Edwin B. Brown, ex-'96, principal of Wayland Academy, Beaver Dam, Wis., spoke on the history of that institution and its connection with President Wayland, and of some of the men who had come from the academy to Brown. Dean James R. Angell (Michigan, '90) said that he should have been at least an alumnus of Brown, considering the fact that his grandfather was a president and his father a professor at Brown. Speaking as a representative of a university of the Middle West he was glad to acknowledge the debt of the institutions of

this part of the country to two Brown men whose influence on the educational policy of this section was well recognized, John Davis Pierce of the class of 1822, the first superintendent of public instruction in Michigan, and James Robinson Boise, '40, professor of Greek at the University of Michigan and later at the University of Chicago. Professor Angell went on to describe certain contributions which the Middle West has made to the educational system of the country, and pointed out that the western universities are beginning to draw from the East as well as from their surrounding territory, and that the eastern universities are drawing comparatively few western students compared with the number a few years ago. Such a situation will present several very interesting problems which time alone can solve, and which all university men should consider. The exchange of students from one part of the country to another seemed to Dean Angell an effective means of lessening provincialism and would enable the universities of the country to impress their training and ideals upon a larger portion of the population. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President, Abram Mendenhall, '91; vice-president, Noble B. Judah, Jr., '04; secretary and treasurer, Frank L. Morse, '86; executive committee, Elmer T. Stevens, '04, Charles L. Bartlett, '82, Harry H. Mallory, '99. Those present were President W. H. P. Faunce, '80, Dean James R. Angell (Michigan, '90), Professor W. H. Kenerson, '96, Professor Edwin P. Brown, ex-'96, O. S. Westcott, '56, Edward A. Brown, '67, Charles L. Bartlett, '82, W. B. Bogert, '82, Elam L. Clarke, '85, J. H. Lord, '85, F. L. Morse, '86, Chester A. Cook, '91, Abram Mendenhall, '91, Professor Gerald B. Smith, '91, A. J. Llewellyn, '93, H. H. Rice, '92, Edward B. Birge, '91, George B. Utley, '99, Harold B. Maryott, '00, Walter Smith, '01, Edward D. Tweedell, '01, Earl N. Manchester, '02, R. Grant Martin, '04, Elmer T. Stevens, '04, Lester L. Falk, '06, Lloyd W. Josselyn, '07, Francis W. Carret, '08, Edwin B. Mayer, '09, James C. Archie, '11, J. M. Howarth, '11, Seward Jarvis, '11, E. C. Tompkins, '11, D. F. Watson, '11, M. H. Gallagher, '11.

LUNCHEON GRILLS—XVI

THE GOVERNOR'S STORY—WHAT'S WHAT IN ROME

"I feel sure," said the Professor, "that a story is imminent from our Roman Pro-Consul the Governor, who has hobnobbed with the martyred King Umberto and lifted his beaver gracefully to the beloved Queen Marguerita. When in Rome he dallied among the diplomats of all nations at afternoon teas and represented his country among them with the simple unaffected modesty of a citizen of the great republic. We know, Governor, why they say that 'all roads lead to Rome;' it was because the Romans radiated their military roads in every direction, so if you found yourself on one of those roads you knew it would surely guide you into Rome unless your errand took you in the opposite direction.

"They also say 'when in Rome do as the Romans do,' or as the American Beauty bud said, 'when in Rome just roam around and be Romanesque and delightfully romantic.' Now, Governor, what do the Romans do?"

"Why," said the Governor, with a twinkle in his eye, "they do about as other people do similarly situated, and yet there are no other people similarly situated. It is rather difficult to say what they do for a livelihood, if that is what you mean. You have seen pictures of how Romulus and Remus got a living, and the Romans have learned to 'take it easy,' too. The beggars, of whom there are many, and rich ones, work politeness for their daily bread. One day I undertook to give one of them a few centesimi. He withdrew his hand and said, 'Pardon, Signor, you have already favored me to-day;' then I discovered how closely my munificence was watched when a small boy beggar said to me as I passed, 'Signor, it is just three weeks to-day since I received of your bounty.' But my eyes were later quite opened to the glorious life of an Italian beggar. As I leisurely drank in the beauty of the Spanish Steps and turned to go, I chanced to catch the eye of the customary beggar who located there, and, as I supposed, I threw a lira into his contribution box. A little later, when I needed it, I found I had thrown into his box a twenty-

lira piece, as my lira was still in my pocket and the more valuable gold coin gone. Retracing my steps, I found the beggar had departed, but was informed of his place of residence. Approaching his finely appointed home, I was ushered in by the liveried porter and sent up my card. Soon the whilom beggar came down in fine dress and I told him my errand. 'Yes, Signor,' he said, 'I found the twenty-lira piece with much surprise and will return it; but do I understand, Signor, that you intended to give me a lira?' 'Yes,' I replied. 'Signor, here are the other nineteen lire,'—and he bowed me out with profuse thanks.

"You ask me what the Romans do and I will tell you. It keeps a good part of them busy to take care of the thirty to forty thousand strangers that throng Rome all the year around. These strangers occupy some five hundred hotels, pensions, etc., while suites in the palaces of the nobility are at their service for a consideration and pretty villas accommodate those who wish seclusion. It takes a multitude of cab drivers, cicerones, cooks and servants to entertain them.

"If you would know what another class are doing in Rome, follow me to the Pincian Hill and the Via Morgutta and meet the greater painters and sculptors working out their ideals under the inspiration of their mistress, imperial Rome, or go among the poorer quarters, where a horde of lesser artists are pursuing and trying to catch in permanent form the visions of classic beauty which haunt the ruins of the many Romes built one upon another.

"Another picturesque and ever-present class in the active life of Rome are the ecclesiastical students in their varicolored cassocks of red and blue, white and purple, passing and repassing in groups or schools, reminding you that Rome is the fountain head of the Catholic Church, the ecclesiastical capital of a most complex and complete church organization which encircles the earth, and that while the temporal power of the Pope has vanished and the thunders from the Vatican no longer shake

the nations with fear and dread, the spiritual influence of St. Peter is still a world-power.

"Then, again, Rome is the capital of Italy, of regenerated, united Italy, which means the presence of regiments of soldiers, of the Carabinieri, of court retainers, of legations of diplomacy, of legislators and lobbyists.

"So you see that while Rome is not a manufacturing or even a business city, it is full of activity and endeavor, not asleep among its ruins, but seeking political power, seeking ecclesiastical power, seeking to extend its artistic influence over the civilized world. You may say that all these forces that give impulse to the daily life of Rome are largely exoteric to the indigenous class, and you ask what do the real Romans do. It may be said that they do not overmuch indulge in the stress of labor; they use their energies with reserve and without too much continuity. The Roman is more grave and less given to jest than the other Italians, for he is conscious of his distinguished ancestry and feels the pride of Rome's two thousand years of primacy. His tastes are simple and no great exertion is necessary to satisfy his meagre wants of wine and macaroni. He feels that haste is undignified and disturbs his rule of conduct. A fire in Rome is a very rare occurrence. When I was there a house in a block took fire and the nearest station was notified. After a while a pump arrived on a hand-cart. It was attached to a fountain and two men pumped away without any apparent effect, so they sent for the steam fire-engine. When it arrived they discovered there was no coal, so the engine went back for coal. When it arrived again there was no wrench, so they sent back to the station for a wrench; by the time they got fairly to work the fire was out—the building was entirely consumed.

"To those accustomed to the rush and

hustle of our American cities, you will understand, the Roman ways are delightfully soothing and the courtesy of the Roman people very charming. Antiquity, mediævalism and modernity here interchange attractions and lose nothing by the close contact. The Caesars and the Savoyards hold sway in Rome with silent mutual regard. In the afternoon, society goes tea-hunting at the 'informals' held here and there and everywhere, or in the open-air areas beside the hotels, where you can sip your tea and coffee or old Falernian and, looking far away to the same old Soracte and snow-capped Appennines, imagine you are surrounded by your early scholastic friends, Vergil and Horace, Maecenas and Lucullus and a host of other antiques who dimly traverse your memory.

"Now you will notice, gentlemen, that I have really said nothing about Rome, the real Rome, with its glorious piazzas, its hundreds of lavish fountains, its captivating ruins, its wondrous churches, among them the Lateran looming up in the East and the Vatican in the West; if you wish to have a mental revel in the multitudinous fascinations of the Eternal City I will advise you to read 'The colour of Rome,' to get a feast.

"I wish we might all make a pilgrimage together to visit the palaces of the Caesars and the tomb of the Scipios and rehearse our classics under the shadow of the Capitol."

"Governor," said the Grillist, "you've rather weakened my idea of a Roman. Up on the hill it was always given out that President Robinson was an ideal old Roman, and I supposed they were all like him and that when they spoke everybody just sat up and took notice. Things are always different from what you imagine them to be, but then, after all, perhaps Dr. Robinson was more Roman than the Romans of the present day."

Robert P. Brown

MR. CHURCH

In the last number of the Alumni Monthly it was stated that Mr. George E. Church, who gave his South American library to Brown, was a lifelong friend of Sir Clements Markham. Mr. Church first knew him when he—Sir Clements—be-

came president of the Royal Geographical Society. The distinguished Englishman has kindly volunteered to edit Mr. Church's book, to which reference was made last month, but Mrs. Church will publish it.

LITTLE CAUSES, LARGE EFFECTS

A FEW INSTANCES DRAWN FROM POLITICS AND HISTORY

If, as has been whispered, Mr. Roosevelt's determination to enter the presidential contest of 1912 dates from the filing of the Government's steel suit with an intimation displeasing to him regarding the merger of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company with the Steel Corporation in 1907; and if the so-called Harvey-Wilson incident should prove to be the fatal factor in depriving the ex-president of Princeton of the Democratic presidential nomination, we should have two interesting illustrations at hand of large effects springing from seemingly slight causes. The history of politics is full of these. For example, Lieutenant Governor Dorsheimer of New York believed to the day of his death, it is said, that if he had not made a brilliant and successful speech at the Democratic National Convention in St. Louis in 1876 he would have been nominated for governor to succeed Samuel J. Tilden. Anyone interested in this strange incident will find it detailed in "Random Recollections of an Old Political Reporter," by William C. Hudson, beginning at page 60. Again, as related by George F. Hoar in his Autobiography, Mr. Bristow of Kentucky, the Secretary of the Treasury and a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, was urged in 1876 by certain of his friends, a few days before the meeting of the national convention, to promote the friendly relations—then somewhat strained—between himself and Mr. Blaine by calling at the latter's house and making a courteous inquiry concerning his health. Mr. Blaine, also a candidate for the presidential nomination, had lately been stricken down on the streets of Washington by the heat. When Mr. Bristow made his inquiry at the Blaine residence, he met a rebuff, according to Senator Hoar, which fact, being telegraphed to the Kentucky delegation, kept them, to the end of the balloting in the convention, arrayed against the candidate from Maine. In Mr. Hoar's judgment Mr. Blaine rather than Mr. Hayes would have been nominated in 1876 if Secretary Bristow had not paid his friendly

call at the Blaine house on that fateful Sunday morning.

Another instance of the large political results flowing from an apparently insignificant episode is the familiar "rum, Romanism and rebellion" remark of Dr. Burchard to which Mr. Blaine's defeat for the presidency in 1884 has been so widely attributed. Going back to the American Revolution and invading the domain of international politics, an interesting incident of the same purport may be found in the unsuccessful British campaign of 1777 in the valley of the Hudson. Lord George Germaine's plan for the conduct of this campaign called for the junction of three British forces at Albany. Burgoyne was to proceed southward by way of Fort Edward; St. Leger was to make his way westward from Lake Ontario down the valley of the Mohawk; and Howe was to go northward by the Hudson from New York. If these three movements should be successful, the Province of New York, in the judgment of the Ministry, would be subjugated, and New England would be cut off from the rest of the Confederation. Explicit orders were sent to Burgoyne, but Howe failed to receive anything more than general instructions. The reason, as made public within a comparatively few years through a memorandum of Lord Shelburne brought to light by Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, is related by John Fiske in "The American Revolution." A dispatch with explicit directions to Howe was drafted in due form and with other documents awaited the minister's signature. Mr. Fiske says:

"Lord George Germaine, being on his way to the country, called at his office to sign the dispatches; but when he came to the letter addressed to General Howe, he found it had not been 'fair copied.' Lord George, like the old gentleman who killed himself in defence of the great principle that crumpets are wholesome, never would be put out of his way by anything. Unwilling to lose his holiday he hurried off to the green meadows of Kent, intending to sign the letter on his return. But when he came back the matter had slipped from his mind. The document on which hung the fortunes of an army, and perhaps of a nation, got thrust unsigned into a pigeon-hole, where it

was duly discovered some time after the disaster at Saratoga had become part of history."

To cite one more instance (called to the attention of the writer, like the one last mentioned, by Professor Appleton), the invasion of the Crimea by the English and French allies in 1854 is said by Kinglake, the famous historian of the Crimean War, to have been determined at a council of British ministers under extraordinary conditions. A dispatch, presented to the council for its approval by the Duke of Newcastle, and addressed to Lord Raglan at the front, left the latter little or no discretion in the matter. It was so couched that the British commander may almost be said to have been forced to decide the question of invasion in the affirmative. The Duke carried the dispatch to Richmond on a summer evening and in the presence of the entire Cabinet began to read it. "Then there occurred an incident," says Kinglake, "very trifling in itself, but yet so momentous in its consequence that, if it had happened in old times, it would have been attributed to the direct intervention of the immortal gods."

"The very faults, no less than the high qualities of the statesmen composing Lord Aberdeen's Cabinet, were of such a kind as to secure them against the imputation of being careless and torpid. However, it is very certain that, before the reading of the paper had long continued, all the members of the Cabinet

except a small minority were overcome with sleep. For a moment the noise of a tumbling chair disturbed the repose of the Government; but presently the Duke of Newcastle resumed the reading of his draught, and then again the fated sleep descended upon the eyelids of ministers. Later in the evening, and in another room, the Duke of Newcastle made another and a last effort to win attention to the contents of the draught, but again a blissful rest (not, this time, actual sleep) interposed between ministers and cares of state, and all, even those who from the first had remained awake, were in a quiet, assenting frame of mind. Upon the whole, the dispatch, though it bristled with sentences tending to provoke objection, received from the Cabinet the kind of approval which is often awarded to an unobjectionable sermon."

Lord Raglan, upon receiving this dispatch, determined to invade the Crimea, though apparently against his judgment; at any rate, he said himself that he had little information regarding the number and preparedness of the enemy's forces; and the Duke of Newcastle later wrote him: "I cannot help seeing, through the calm and noble tone of your announcement of the decision to attack Sebastopol, that it has been taken in order to meet the views and desires of the Government, and not in entire accordance with your own opinions. God grant that success may reward you, and justify us!"

There are few more dramatic instances in history of large effects flowing from apparently little causes.

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CREATIVE WORK IN LITERATURE

It might be difficult to prove that one sort of composition is creative and another is not; yet the phrase "creative work" is not likely to be misunderstood. By it we mean the kind of work that does not consist in mere compilation of statistics, mere deduction from demonstrated facts, mere inquiry and research. All these are excellent in their way; but "creative" work has upon it the freshness of the imagination. It has been breathed upon by the personality, the individuality, of the author. It is human experience gathered the gods know where and fused into a book, a poem, a play or an essay by a mind and a hand that make it what no other mind and hand could quite produce.

There are not very many Brown graduates conspicuously engaged at present in creative literary work. Yet we venture to think that nothing would do more for the reputation of the university than the increasing and strengthening of their ranks. It may be a commonplace, but it is a commonplace worth while, to say that the Cambridge group of *litterateurs*—poets, philosophers and essayists—gave Harvard

a unique reputation, a reputation that has in recent years been recalled though not equalled by Vaughan, Mackaye, Stickney, Lodge and others of the younger school of Cambridge writers of verse. Yale grieves that it has had but one Fenimore Cooper to write of his country (if the shade of Nathan Hale will pardon the paraphrase); and many another college has linked its fame willingly, even eagerly, with some one of its "literary" graduates.

The writer remembers that some years ago he entered into conversation with a stranger on a New York train who turned out to be no other than Mr. Seth Low, then president of Columbia University. "Brown," said President Low, "is George William Curtis's college." As a matter of fact it is not; Curtis merely lived within its shadow, had a brother who was graduated here, and in mature years became a frequent visitor and the recipient of an honorary degree. Yet the college profited from the legend that this essentially literary American studied in its classrooms.

We print elsewhere in this issue of the Monthly an account of the dramatic work of Mr. Albert E. Thomas of the class of 1894, whose latest success, "The Rainbow," has given rise to this train of thought.

JUDGE BLODGETT

One could not become well acquainted with the late John Taggard Blodgett, associate justice of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island, without recognizing his scholarly quality. It is given to few men to speak with the clear-cut accuracy, the readiness of literary allusion and the aptness of foreign quotation that distinguished not only his formal writing but also his common speech. He answered to the traditional definition of the liberally educated gentleman—with something of old-school stateliness and courtesy added to the precision of his utterance.

At a time when slipshod talk is too common; when no circle, collegiate or other, is immune from the epidemic of faulty elocution and careless etymology that distresses the discreet lover of good English fairly spoken, it was an excellent example that Judge Blodgett innocently set of enriched

and careful speech. We fancy his wonderful memory had something to do with it, and that his orderly habits of thoughts contributed their full share to the orderliness of his conversation. He was never

at a loss for an apt phrase from some Latin author, or an apposite couplet from the British poets; and his talk gave evidence of a mind not merely well-stocked but well-trained.

BROWN DROPS BASKETBALL

After several years of agitation the undergraduate Athletic Board at Brown has voted to drop basketball. The statement issued by the board is self-explanatory:

"The Athletic Board, in announcing its decision to abolish basketball as an inter-collegiate sport at Brown, which it arrived at to-day (March 19) by a unanimous vote, feels that the decision is such an important one that a statement of the reasons for making it should be placed before the student body.

"First of all, the board wishes to express its appreciation of the excellent work of the members of this year's team and especially of the managers who are thus deprived of the positions that would naturally have fallen to them next year.

"This action of Brown is in line with that of Harvard, Amherst, M. I. T., Trinity and other New England colleges which have already dropped basketball. As a result, Williams and Wesleyan are the only colleges of Brown's standing in New England with whom we can play basketball. This year's schedule, despite the untiring efforts of an efficient management, consisted mostly of teams which are not in any sense Brown's rivals, and from present indications it would be impossible to arrange one even as good as this for next year.

"Our receipts from home games are necessarily very small from the small attendance made necessary by the limited

space in the gymnasium. Our expenses for trips are correspondingly increased because the neighboring colleges have dropped basketball and we must take long and expensive journeys to New York and Pennsylvania to play our game.

"In the last five years of its existence here basketball has caused a loss to the Athletic Association of over \$1600, a loss which has steadily increased each year, until it was over \$700 during the past season.

"In spite of the fact that the association has done everything in its power to make basketball a success by providing the best obtainable coaching and an attractive schedule for the second team, six or seven 'varsity men have been the only men to report with any regularity at practice. The second team manager has found it usually almost impossible to get five men together to take the second team trips.

"With one 'varsity man and no good second team or freshman team material available next year, it seems hardly reasonable to expect a successful season. It is felt by the board that it is better to abolish the sport after a successful season, such as the past one has been, rather than to try to keep it any longer, only to be compelled to withdraw it rather ingloriously after an unsuccessful season.

"For the Athletic Board,

*Daniel L. Brown, Chairman,
R. B. Andrews, Secretary"*

BROWN-HARVARD EXHIBITION

The joint exhibition between the Brown and Harvard gymnastic teams held Saturday night, March 9, at the Lyman Gymnasium, was a decided success. Both teams performed creditably, but the work of the home team surpassed that of the visitors in the majority of the events. The tumbling of Whitmarsh and Hincks was one

of the features of the exhibition. The wand drill and the work of the Brown team in the dances of the "Dixie Rubes" and the "Jumping Jacks" were the best received numbers on the programme. The Harvard team was proficient in building pyramids. No scores were kept.

TOPICS OF THE MONTH

THE LATEST NEWS

Too late for classification in the departments of the Monthly to which they respectively belong, come the following items:

The million-dollar endowment fund on April 3 had reached \$779,855.45. President Faunce estimates the number of contributors at two thousand.

Attorney General Herbert A. Rice, '89, of Rhode Island has appointed Livingston Ham, '94, of Providence assistant attorney general.

Everett B. Durfee, '84, of Fall River has been elected president of the Brown University Teachers' Association. Professor A. K. Potter, '86, was elected a vice-president, Professor W. B. Jacobs, '82, secretary, C. H. Manchester, '86, treasurer, and Dean Lida Shaw King of the Women's College a member of the executive committee.

Brown won a double victory over Williams and Dartmouth in the Triangular League debate in March, beating the former at Williamstown and the latter at Providence. A few days later Dr. Faunce entertained the two victorious teams, with their alternates, at lunch at the University Club.

There is revived talk of a Brown crew. The Monthly has urged, in season and out of season, a renewal of rowing at the university, and takes this opportunity to urge it again.

ARNOLD BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY

The new biological laboratory is practically assured by the ending of the litigation over the will of Dr. Oliver Henry Arnold, in which \$60,000 was bequeathed for a laboratory to be known as the Dr. Oliver Henry Arnold Biological Laboratory. A stipulation has been filed by the legatees by which Brown gets practically the amounts named in the will. Ten thousand dollars was also bequeathed for a fellowship to be known as the Oliver Cromwell Gorton Arnold Biological Fellowship, and \$10,000 to the Women's College for an archaeological fellowship.

These sums cannot be added to the \$1,000,000 endowment fund now being raised.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Manager Gordon has arranged the baseball schedule for 1912 as follows:

Saturday, April 6, Providence Eastern League at Melrose Park, Providence.

Wednesday, April 10, Bowdoin at Providence.

Saturday, April 13, Wesleyan at Providence.
Wednesday, April 17, Mass. "Aggies" at Providence.

Saturday, April 20, Princeton at Providence.

Wednesday, April 24, Bates at Providence.

Saturday, April 27, University of Pennsylvania at Providence.

Wednesday, May 1, Vermont at Providence.

Saturday, May 4, Colgate at Providence.

Tuesday, May 7, Cornell at Ithaca.

Wednesday, May 8, Princeton at Princeton.

Friday, May 10, Rhode Island College at Providence.

Saturday, May 11, Lafayette at Providence.

Wednesday, May 15, Yale at New Haven.

Saturday, May 18, Notre Dame at Providence.

Wednesday, May 22, Harvard at Cambridge.

Saturday, May 25, Holy Cross at Providence.

Thursday, May 30, Yale at Providence.

Saturday, June 1, Amherst at Amherst.

Wednesday, June 5, Tufts at Providence.

Saturday, June 8, Harvard at Providence.

Wednesday, June 12, Amherst at Providence.

Friday, June 14, Cornell at Providence.

Saturday, June 15, Holy Cross at Worcester.

Wednesday, June 19, Alumni.

BASKETBALL NOTES

The following members of the team have received the basketball "B:" Captain E. A. Adams, '12, W. F. Scholze, Jr., '12, F. H. Miller, '12, J. Von der Leith, '12, W. M. Sullivan, '13, R. L. Smith, '14. Manager Drury has received the hat insignia.

If the game had not been dropped for the future, the captaincy would undoubtedly have been awarded to W. M. Sullivan, who has played on the team for the past three years.

The candidates for assistant manager, A. L. Affleck and P. R. MacDonell, will be allowed to enter the competition for manager, either of the track or baseball teams, on equal terms with the other candidates.

SWIMMING TEAM

The Athletic Board has authorized the appointment by the members of the swimming team of F. R. Hazard for next season's manager. The following members of the gymnastic team have been awarded B. G. T.'s: J. T. Wilson, '13, Hincks, '15, Whitmarsh, '14, and Paton (special).

R. L. Smith, '14, has been elected captain of the Brown swimming team for next year by the members of this season's team. Smith has been the star man in aquatics at Brown the past two years and is the holder of the Triangular League record of 27 seconds for the 50-yard dash.

BROWN SWIMMERS WIN AGAIN

Brown's swimmers decisively won from Amherst and Williams at Amherst, March 9, in a Triangular Swimming League meet. The final score was Brown, 40¹/₂; Amherst, 23; Williams, 12¹/₂. Brown broke three league records and won six out of eight first places. The summary of the meet follows:

Relay race—Won by Brown; Williams, second; Amherst, third. Time 1:57 2-5.

25-yard dash—Won by Smith, Brown; Mumford, Brown, second; Hubbel, Williams, third. Time 11 4-5s.

50-yard dash—Won by Smith, Brown; Carter, Amherst, second; Mumford, Brown, and Dana, Williams, tied for third. Time 27s.

100-yard—Won by Mumford, Brown; Smith, Brown, and Carter, Amherst, tied for second; Dana, Williams, third. Time 1:04 3-5.

220-yard—Won by McLaughlin, Brown; Loomis, Amherst, second; Eyre, Williams, third. Time 2:56 4-5.

440-yard—Won by McLaughlin, Brown; Loomis, Amherst, second; Eyre, Williams, third. Time 6:39 3-5.

Plunge—Won by Prince, Williams; Collins, Amherst, second; Burgess, Brown, third. Distance 60 feet.

Diving—Won by Whittemore, Williams; Bedford, Amherst, second; Smith, Brown, third.

THREE SEASONS END

Under this head the Brown Daily Herald of March 11 said editorially:

"Saturday marked the close of the season in the three winter sports, basketball, indoor track and swimming. In each sport a creditable record has been made. In basketball, while several defeats have been suffered, the season has by no means been discouraging. The record compares favor-

ably with that of the past few years. The indoor track season, with an undefeated relay team and the novelty of an intra-college board track series, has been particularly noteworthy, and swimming, concluding with the signal victory at the triangular meet Saturday night, has again emphasized its claim to a greater recognition in Brown athletics."

FIRST MEMORIAL LECTURE

The first Annmary Brown memorial lecture was given in Sayles Hall, March 9, on "The History of Egyptian Art." It was illustrated with stereopticon slides showing Egyptian monuments and inscriptions. The lecturer, Dr. James H. Breasted of the University of Chicago, has spent several years in Egypt under a commission from the German universities, and is, perhaps, the foremost authority in this country on the subject. The lecture was open to the public. The course thus instituted is due to the liberality of General Rush C. Hawkins. Every year on the birthday of his wife, Mrs. Annmary Brown Hawkins, a lecture will be given at the college, and another on the birthday, in November, of her sister, Mrs. Carrie Mathilde Brown Bajnotti, for whom the clock tower on the front campus is named.

CHRONICLE OF THE CAMPUS

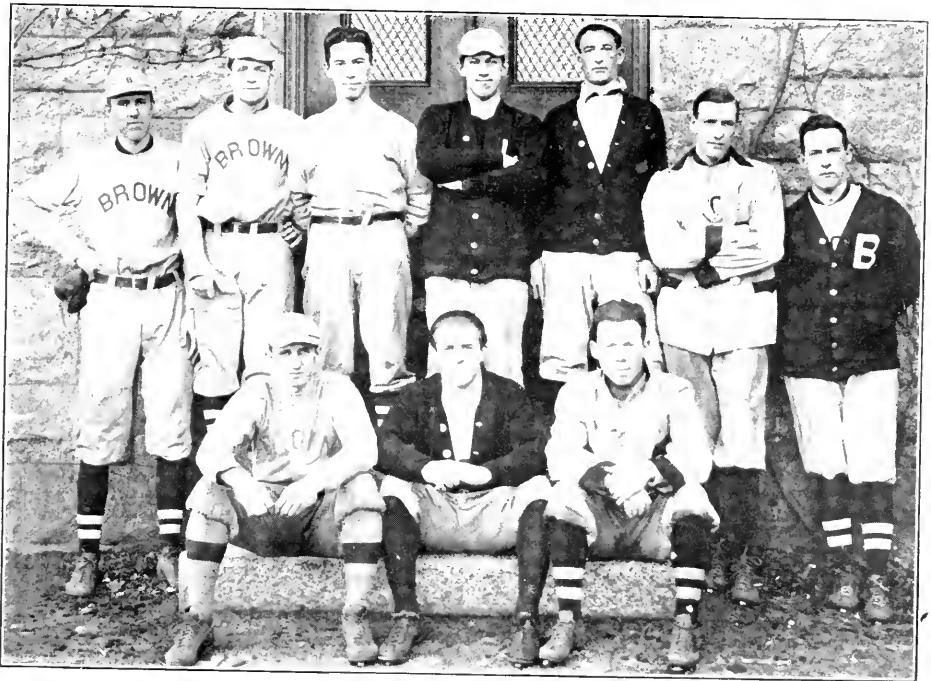
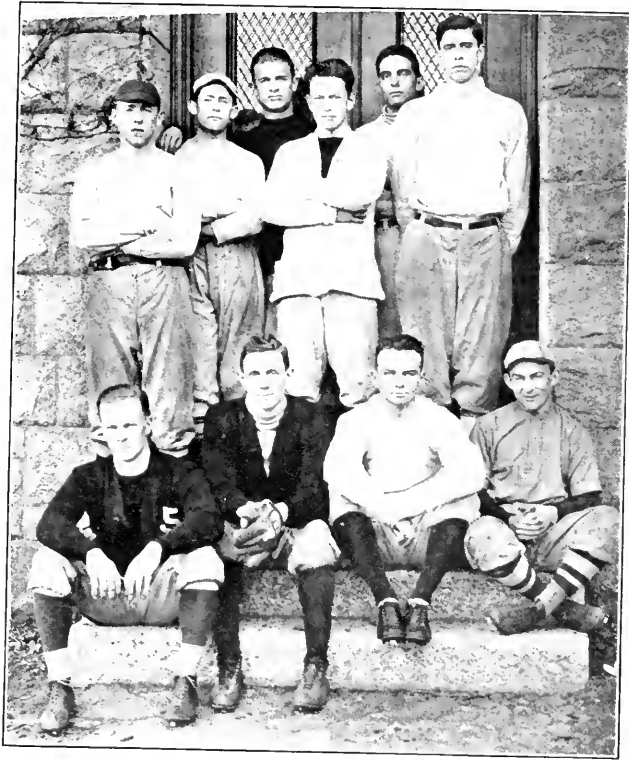
Early in March the university baseball squad was reduced by Captain Nash to 25 men, as follows: Colas, '12, Sullivan, '13, Reddington, '13, Chesley, '14, Gammell, '15, Loud, '15, Cram, '15, Waterman, '15, Larrabee, '15, Barbour, '15, Cowell, '15, Conzelman, '12, Warner, '12, Snell, '13, Reilly, '13, Crowther, '13, Tewhill, '14, R. Nash, '14, Dukette, '14, Durgin, '14, Dike, '14, Wetmore, '14, McGovern, '14, Tenney, '15, Babington, '15.

In the final basketball game of the season, Brown was beaten by Wesleyan, 10-42. Wesleyan went through the season without a defeat. On March 6, Brown was beaten by Springfield T. S., 17-33. On February 28, Brown beat Mass. Inst. Tech., 63-10.

Sock and Buskin's contribution to the million dollar fund is \$500.

Brown Baseball Squad

Season
of
1912



Top row—Sullivan, '13, Loud, '15, Cram, '15, Larrabee, '15, Colas, '12, Reddington, '13.
 Next to top row—Barbour, '15, Crowell, '15, Gammell, '15, Waterman, G. W., '15.
 Next to bottom row—Durgin, '14, Crowther, '13, Tewhill, '14, Dike, '14, Whittemore, '14, Conzleman, '12, Warner, '12.
 Bottom row—Snell, '13, Babbington, '15, Reilley, '13.

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BRUNONIANIANS FAR AND NEAR

Faculty

At the celebration of the 125th anniversary of the University of Pittsburgh, Feb. 28, the honorary degree of Doctor of Science was conferred upon Professor Albert Davis Mead.

Dr. Archibald has an article in the Bulletin of the American Mathematical Society for February, 1912, entitled "Non-Euclidean Geometry."

Professor T. M. Phetteplace of the department of mechanical engineering spoke on the subject, "The measurement of power," before an audience of 350 at the engineers' luncheon of the National Electric Light Association, at the American House, Boston, Feb. 2. The lecture was illustrated by the stereopticon.

Professor MacDonald is giving in March and April a course of seven lectures, under the auspices of the department of education of the city of New York on the Ethics of Citizenship. Their subjects are: 1, The President and His Cabinet. 2, How Congress Does Its Work. 3, How Federal Taxes are Raised and Spent. 4, What a Citizen Should Know. 5, Duty of the Citizen Toward His Work. 6, Political Duties of the Citizen. 7, Legal Duties of the Citizen.

Alumni

1821

Dr. Ezekiel Holmes, "pioneer in Maine agriculture," was honored, March 6, by the unveiling of a tablet to his memory in Agricultural Hall at the University of Maine. This was the feature of the third day of the annual Farmers' Week. Addresses on Dr. Holmes were delivered by W. H. Davis of Augusta, Hon. J. P. Buckley, state commissioner of agriculture, and Hon. W. G. Hunton, president of the Maine Seed Improvement Association. The unveiling address was by President Robert J. Aley of the university. The Holmes exercises were held in connection with the first annual meeting of the Maine Federation of Agricultural Associations.

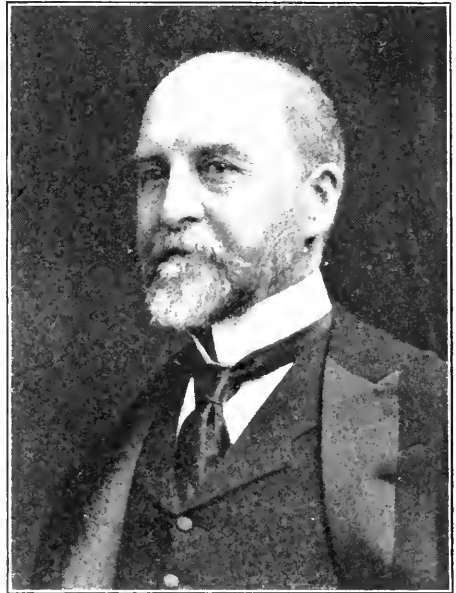
1854

Edward Livingston Davis, a former mayor of Worcester, public benefactor, looked up to as an ideal citizen by hundreds who knew him, died at his home, 71 Elm st., March 3, 1912. Death was caused by intestinal disease. He had been in failing health several months, although there were few who realized it, but he was able to be about until three weeks ago. He was in his 78th year.

Edward Livingston Davis was a son of Isaac Davis, Brown, 1822, also a mayor of Worcester in 1856, 1858 and 1861, and Mary H. (Estabrook) Davis. He was born in Worcester, April 22, 1844. He was educated in the public schools of Worcester and at Brown University.

He studied law in the office of his father and in Harvard Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1857, but gave up the practice of law the following year to become engaged in the manufacture of railroad iron and car wheels. He became connected with the Washburn Iron Co., being treasurer since its organization until he retired in 1882.

Mr. Davis was a member of the Worcester common council three years, beginning in 1865, and was president of that body in 1867. He was elected mayor in December, 1873, and



EDWARD L. DAVIS, '54
Ex-Mayor of Worcester

served the following year. As mayor he had to contend with serious difficulties consequent to the financial panic of 1873, the business depression manifesting itself in public as well as private enterprises. In his conduct of municipal matters he exercised a rigid but judicious economy, and was able to institute and carry forward public works without exceeding the amount of revenues of the year.

Mr. Davis was a member of the Massachusetts Senate in 1876. He presented the city of Worcester, in 1884, a tract of land on the shore of lake Quinsigamond, comprising 60 acres, which, with the portion given by Horace H. Bigelow, forms Lake Park. In addition, he gave \$5000, which was immediately used for the development of the park, and he also erected Davis tower, a stone tower of picturesque form, and made other additions which greatly increased the attractiveness of the locality. To the influence of the gift is largely

attributed the extraordinary settlement along the shores of the lake and the construction of the entire Lake Park section of Worcester.

Mr. Davis was president of the Worcester County Musical Association, 1888-1894, and was a generous benefactor to that institution. He was a director of the Boston and Albany, Norwich and Worcester, and Vermont and Massachusetts Railroads, and the Worcester National Bank, one of the vice-presidents of the Worcester County Institution for Savings, councillor of the American Antiquarian Society and president of the Proprietors of Rural Cemetery.

He was of the Episcopal faith and had long been senior warden of All Saints parish. While the present church was being built he was chairman of the building and finance committees and contributed generously of both time and money. He repeatedly represented the church in the diocesan convention. He was a member of the standing committee of the diocese several years, and was nine times one of the four lay deputies of the diocese to the general convention of the church.

Mr. Davis was married in 1859 to Miss Hannah Gardner, daughter of Seth Adams of Providence. She died in 1861. Their only son survived but a few days. Mr. Davis was married ten years later to Miss Maria Louisa, youngest daughter of Rev. Dr. Chandler Robbins of Boston, who survives him. Three children were born to them, Eliza Frothingham, who married Henry Forbes Bigelow of Boston and who died five years ago; Theresa, who married A. Winsor Weld of Chestnut Hill, and Livingston Davis of Milton.

1858

Ezekiel Luther De Camp died at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 31, 1911. He was born Dec. 23, 1837, at Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Joseph Baker and Maria (Cassatt) De Camp. He prepared for college in the Hughes High School, Cincinnati. After leaving Brown he entered the law school of Cincinnati College and received the degree of LL. B. in 1862, being admitted to the bar the same year. He was city treasurer in 1870. He married Margaret B. Crane of Paterson, N. J., Sept. 27, 1859. During the last years of their life Mr. and Mrs. De Camp lived with their only son, Benjamin C. De Camp, an architect in Cincinnati.

1859

Dr. Adoniram B. Judson, who is living in retirement at 53 Washington square, New York, has just been allowed a patent for an improvement in a machine for picking and breaking ice, coal ores and other substances.

1861

Captain Orville A. Barker, one of the most prominent merchants in Taunton, Mass., died at his home, Feb. 22, 1912, in his 73d year. Born in Taunton, June 17, 1846, a son of Anson J. and Abby T. (Burdon) Barker, he was fitted for college in the schools of that city. Upon leaving Brown he enlisted in the Thirty-ninth Mas-

sachusetts Infantry and served through the war, beginning at the bottom and being mustered out with the rank of captain and regimental adjutant. When the war was over he went back to Taunton and entered the business with his father, afterward becoming the head of the big drug firm. His two sons are also members of the same firm. He was prominent as a merchant and in the Baptist denomination, being a member of the Winthrop Street Baptist Church. He also belonged to the Loyal Legion, the Grand Army, the Sons of the Revolution and Ionic Lodge, A. F. and A. M. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

1869

David Downie, D. D., who went out to India as a missionary in 1873, has been for many years a fellow of the University of Madras. On his return from a recent furlough he was reappointed to that position by the governor of Madras. Dr. Downie was one of the first editors of the *Brunonian*.

1874

The Boston Advertiser of March 15 says: "Dr. O. P. Gifford of the Brookline Baptist Church spoke to the Tech men at the Union, Thursday, on 'Wealth and Waste.' Dr. Gifford's talks are very popular with the men."

1875 h

William Babcock Weeden, historian, died at his home in Providence, March 28, 1912. He was in his 78th year. He was the son of John Edward and Eliza (Cross) Weeden, whose home was at Westerly. He was born in Bristol, Sept. 1, 1834, while his parents were on a visit there. His early life was spent in Westerly and he received his education in the schools of that town. In 1847 he entered Brown University, but left three years later to go into business. His first position was with Bradford & Taft, wool merchants on Exchange place, and, when the company dissolved partnership, it was continued under the name of Taft, Weeden & Co. In June, 1861, he left for the front as first lieutenant of Battery A, First Regiment, Rhode Island Light Artillery. After the battle of Bull Run he was promoted to the rank of captain and sent back to recruit Battery C of the same regiment. He again went to the front on Aug. 25 with his new command. Less than a year later he was ordered to relieve Brigadier General Griffin as chief of artillery and ordnance of the First Division, Fifth Corps, and while holding this responsible position directed the massed batteries at the battles of Mechanicsville, Gaines' Mill and Malvern Hill. He was also at the siege of Yorktown and the battle of Hanover Court House, in all of which he took a conspicuous part. July 21, 1862, he resigned his commission while at Harrison's Landing and was honorably discharged. He then took up his work in the firm of Taft, Weeden & Co., but in 1864 he formed the Weybosset Mills, starting the plant in Olneyville. In 1902 he definitely laid

down his manufacturing career. He was a director, up to his death, in the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, the Providence Institution for Savings and the National Bank of Commerce. Mr. Weeden attained considerable fame as an author, most of his works being along historical or economic lines. He published "Morality of Prohibitory Liquor Laws," 1875, "Social Law of Labor," 1882, "Economic and Social History of New England," 2 vols., 1890, "War Government, Federal and State," 1906, "Indian Money as a Factor in New England Civilization," 1884, "Early Rhode Island," 1910, and numerous other economic and historical works and papers. He belonged to the Examiner Club of Boston, the American Antiquarian Society of Worcester, the Authors' Club of New York, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the Rhode Island Historical Society, the Massachusetts Commandery of the Loyal Legion and the University Club. He had also been a member of the Providence Art Club. Mr. Weeden was always interested in municipal and state affairs, although he held political office but once, when he was a member of the Common Council from 1882-1883. In 1889 and 1891 he was elected president of Rhode Island Alpha, Phi Beta Kappa. He was thrice married, his first wife being Amy Dexter Owen, by whom he had no children. Next he married Hannah Raymer Balch and seven children were born, six of whom survive him. These are John Edward Weeden of Fort Worth, Tex., and his twin brother, William Wager Weeden, Mrs. Samuel Slater Durfee, Raymer Balch Weeden, James V. Weeden and Mrs. Nathaniel W. Smith, all of this city. Another daughter, Mary Bailey Weeden, died when she was 19 years old. Upon the death of his second wife he again married, in 1893, Miss Jennie Lippitt, who also survives him.

1880

Associate Justice John Taggard Blodgett of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island died at his home, 145 Lloyd av., March 4, 1912. Although he had been in failing health for about a year, the news of his death was a shock to a wide circle of friends who had not been aware of the serious nature of his illness during the last few days.

John Taggard Blodgett was a native of Massachusetts, but was of a lineage in which Rhode Island origins prevailed to influence his future to some extent. He was born at Belmont, near Watertown, Mass., May 16, 1859. His father was William Alfred and his mother Anna Maria (Taggard) Blodgett. The father was at Brown University from 1850 to 1853, and, leaving without graduation, pursued a business career. The mother was a descendant of the Taggards of the southeastern corner of the state, who are referred to in the Revolutionary War records, and who suffered for their patriotism, like many other families whose central group occupied the region affected by the British occupation of Newport. On being graduated from the Watertown High School in

1875, and going to the Worcester Academy to finish his preparatory education in 1876, he entered Brown University in the fall of 1876.

On leaving Brown he entered the law office of Benjamin N. Lapham, one of the leading members of the Providence bar. In 1883 he passed his examination for the bar with distinction. At this time he became associated in a political way with the Prohibition party. Almost all the honors which this party could give him he received. An accidental appointment growing out of his position of independence with regard to the two great parties changed the course of his life.

In 1890 he was appointed a United States commissioner for Rhode Island. This fact brought into prominence his knowledge of laws and his powers of research, and in 1892, under a law then in existence, he was appointed United States commissioner of elections for the District of Rhode Island. In 1895 a new law went into effect, establishing a Board of Canvassers and Registration for the city of Providence. Mr. Blodgett had had more to do with the framing of this statute than any other person; indeed, the act was almost entirely his work. He received the appointment of first member or chairman of the board, and in the systemizing and codification of its rules and duties devoted himself to the work with vigor.

In the break-up of parties which attended the first Bryan campaign Mr. Blodgett began to be known as a Republican, and in 1898 he was elected to the House of the General Assembly. There he soon became prominent. When he entered the House, Mr. Blodgett was appointed to the judiciary committee. His labors on this body brought him such further notice that when the question of redividing the city of Providence into wards came up, his selection for the commission was a foregone conclusion. His peculiar fitness for his post caused a large portion of the work of the commission to fall on his shoulders. It is believed that the unremitting labor he performed in this office seriously affected his constitution in after years.

The prominence which this work brought to Mr. Blodgett made him a candidate for judicial preferment, and when, in May, 1900, Chief Justice Charles Matteson resigned and Associate Justice John H. Stiness succeeded him, Mr. Blodgett was elected as an associate justice. He held this high position from that time on and until within a few days regularly performed the duties devolving upon him. He was, in 1900, one of the youngest men ever elected to the Supreme Court in modern times, and he was at his death the youngest member.

As a judge he was in the highest degree industrious, and was known particularly for the exhaustiveness of his research. At times he delved into old world decisions that took him into the Norman French tongue. It is said that when he was in college he was a remarkably fast writer, and his interest in cases that came before him while he was on the bench led him to spare no pains in the analysis of the aspects of the opinions he held. He was sometimes called a "great dissenter," and in some important cases he elected to disagree with his

judicial brethren. Among these instances was his solitary dissent to the opinion of the court on the Street Railway Ten-Hour law of 1902.

While in college Justice Blodgett was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, and in after years he held some offices in its national organization. He was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He was a member of the Rhode Island Historical Society and a Son of the American Revolution. In 1907 he was chairman of the commission to the Jamestown Exposition, and in this capacity he had much to do with the success of the Rhode Island contributions to it. He was a member of the University and Hope Clubs.

Judge Blodgett was twice married, first to Amelia Wilson Torrey of this city, in 1883, and secondly to Amy Lacy Bemiss of Richmond, Va. One daughter, Miss Gwendolen Blodgett, was born of the first marriage. She is a graduate of the Women's College in Brown University in 1910, and has been studying in France and Germany.

Announcement has been made that J. W. Darrow, for 29 years proprietor of the Chatham, N. Y., Courier, has sold that paper, together with its sub-editions, the Rensselaer Courier, the Kinderhook Courier and the Hillsdale Courier, to Hon. Albert S. Callan of Albany. The transfer of property took place on April 1, 1912, at which time Mr. Darrow retired from active service as a publisher.

1881

"Holland," who writes entertaining daily letters from New York to a number of influential papers, has this to say, under date of March 15, about the talk of Mr. Justice Hughes as the Republican nominee for President: "There is a great deal of gossip centering upon the possible utilization of the name of Supreme Court Justice Charles E. Hughes as that of a man who in his ability and personal character would be able to bring all factions of the Republican party back into steady step and line. Much of this gossip has been heard in New York state, and there has undoubtedly begun a tentative movement here which has for its object the naming of Justice Hughes as compromise candidate for President. But if Justice Hughes is nominated for President the nomination will be made in spite of himself, and will be the result of spontaneous and irrepressible feeling at the national Republican convention. Hughes's closest friends in the city have received intimations that in case anything be done which would cause a suspicion to arise that Justice Hughes was being groomed for the nomination he will put an emphatic stop to the movement. If there were no other reasons for such action there is one which is all sufficient with him. When he became justice of the Supreme Court he was a poor man. What little capital he did possess when he began service as governor of New York was considerably impaired by his expenses. As justice of the Supreme Court he will receive a salary of \$14,000 a year and can retire at 70 on full salary. If he were

nominated for President he would be compelled to resign his present office. If he were defeated he would have to begin his professional career over again."

1884

Professor George C. Gow of Vassar contributes to the Papers and Proceedings of the Music Teachers' National Association a report on the Aesthetics of the Chord.

1884 n

Claude Joseph Farnsworth died at his home in Providence, March 28, 1912. He was born in Pawtucket, Dec. 15, 1862, son of Claudius Buchanan and Marianna (McIntire) Farnsworth, and prepared for college at the private school taught by Rev. Charles H. Wheeler in Providence and at the University Grammar School. In 1880 he entered Brown University, remaining to the senior class of 1884, when he was compelled to leave college on account of ill health. He studied law in his father's office, and, upon his admission to the bar in 1887, became associated with his father under the firm name of Farnsworth & Farnsworth, Pawtucket. Since his father's death in 1904 he continued in practice for himself. He was active in Democratic party councils. He was Governor John W. Davis's executive secretary from 1887 to 1890, and in 1893 was a member of the House of Representatives from Pawtucket. He was also prominent in the Masonic fraternity and was likewise an active member of the Episcopal Church. Mr. Farnsworth was married, April 29, 1894, to Miss Elizabeth Barber Dowler of New York, who survives him with one son, Claude J. Farnsworth, Jr. He is also survived by his brother, John P. Farnsworth of Providence, and one sister, Miss Abbie McIntire Farnsworth.

1885

Elmer E. Silver is general manager for New England of Union Central Life of Cincinnati at 79 Milk st., Boston.

1886 n.

Arthur Stevens Phelps, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Calif., received 37 members into the church during January.

1887 n.

Howard D. McLeod is manager of the mining department of the Seattle Construction and Dry Dock Co. at Seattle, Wash.

1887

The following tribute to the late Benaiah Longley Whitman was adopted at the annual meeting of the Brown University Club for Maryland and the District of Columbia, Jan. 20:

"Rev. Benaiah Longley Whitman of the class of 1887 has finished his labors during the past year, and we, the members of the Brown University Club of Maryland and the District of Columbia, brother alumni of his, express our respect and esteem, and those of us who knew him personally, our affection, for one whose

work brought him among us for a few years—but long enough for us to learn of the cheerfulness of his disposition, the power of his intellect and the strength of his character. As a minister of the gospel, as a teacher, as an author, he labored successfully, first in the Eastern states, where the students of Colby, Bucknell and George Washington Universities, and the congregations of Portland, Me., and Philadelphia, Pa., acknowledged his leadership, and later, in the West, at Seattle, Wash., whither he went to be near the far Eastern land where he had sojourned for a time and received a large part of that inspiration which made his work as a minister so successful. In the greater field beyond our vision, into which he has entered with so rich an equipment in intellect, spirit and experience, we bid him "God-speed!"

1888a

The first preacher at this season's vesper services in Sayles Hall was Rev. Austen K. de Blois, Ph. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church in Boston. Dr. de Blois was graduated from Acadia College in 1886, and received the degree of A. M. from Brown in 1888, Ph. D., 1889. He received the degree of LL. D. from Franklin College in 1897. He was a student at Berlin and Leipsic, 1890-1891. He served as president of Shurtleff College, 1894-1899. Since then he has had pastorates at Elgin, Ill., and at the First Baptist Church in Chicago.

1890

Rev. Robert W. Van Kirk of West Newton, Mass., writes: "Rev. A. E. Kingsley of South Berwick, Me., delighted the Boston Browning Society at their regular meeting, Feb. 20, at the Vendome Hotel, with his dramatic interpretation of 'The Bishop Orders His Tomb' and 'The Italian in England.'"

1891

Frank D. Lisle has entered into partnership with Cyrus P. Brown to engage in a general bond business. The offices of Brown & Lisle will be in the Industrial Trust building, Providence.

Edward Bailey Birge, Mus. B., is director of music in the Indianapolis public schools.

1892

Herbert H. Rice was recently elected treasurer of the Automobile Manufacturers' Association of America. He is also a member of the governing board of the National Metal Trades Association. Mr. Rice is manager and vice-president of the Waverley Electric Carriage Company of Indianapolis, Ind.

James A. Pirce of Providence addressed the Business Men's Association of Pawtucket, March 4, on the employers' liability law.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland H. Littlefield, who have been in Switzerland, are leaving there for a stay at Cannes.

1892 and 1897

Born, Jan. 18, 1912, to Dr. William Holden Eddy, '92, and Ruth S. Devereux Eddy, '97, a daughter, Ruth Barden Eddy.

1893

Colonel and Mrs. Archibald C. Matteson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Feb. 19, 1912.

Thomas J. Dowd, ex-'93, of Holyoke, Mass., has been engaged to coach the Trinity College baseball team of Hartford, Conn.

As Democratic nominee for justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court, to succeed the late Judge Blodgett, John J. Fitzgerald of Pawtucket received 30 votes in the Legislature, March 14, to 92 for the Republican nominee, Walter B. Vincent of Providence.

1894

Married, June 15, 1911, at St. Peter's Church, Bennington, Vt., by Rev. A. C. A. Hall, bishop of Vermont, and Rev. Philip Schuyler, Dr. Harold D. Hazeltine to Miss Hope Graves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Franklin Graves of Bellevue, Bennington, Vt. Dr. and Mrs. Hazeltine will live in Cambridge, England, where Dr. Hazeltine is a member of the law faculty of the university.

George S. Ellis, superintendent of Whitehall, N. Y., schools, has received an offer to become associate manager of the Phoenix Mutual Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., for the state of Maine, with headquarters in Portland, and will accept, assuming the duties July 1 next.

1895

The address of Rev. W. F. Wilson is West Somerville, Mass.

1896

On Feb. 17, Dr. Haven Metcalf, of the United States Department of Agriculture, delivered the John Lewis Russell lecture before the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. His subject was "Fungous diseases of the chestnut and other trees." On Feb. 20 he discussed the chestnut disease before the Interstate Congress at Harrisburg, Pa. Dr. Metcalf and Mr. J. Franklin Collins, b 1896, publish in Science for March 15 a map showing the present spread of the disease.

Dr. Charles F. Deacon of 480 Friendship st. has been appointed examining physician of the Providence fire department by the Board of Fire Commissioners. He will fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. W. W. Kirby. He went from Brown to the Harvard Medical School and finished his course there in 1900. After the customary term of hospital service he began the practice of his profession at his office on Friendship st.

Irving H. Gamwell, attorney and counsellor at law, Pittsfield, Mass., has moved to larger and better appointed quarters, his address now being Berkshire County Savings Bank building, 24 North st.

1897

Eben Creighton was born in Thomaston, Me., Aug. 16, 1870, the son of Captain Eben and Mary Elizabeth (Watts) Creighton. He attended the public schools in Thomaston. Going to Boston when 16 years of age, he at once associated himself with Tremont Temple and became also greatly interested in the Y. M. C. A. of that city. For two years he was pastor's assistant to Rev. George Lorimer, D. D. He prepared for Brown University under private tuition. While at Brown he supplied the pulpit of the Fourth Baptist Church for several months and was also active in home missionary fields in connection with the North Baptist Chapel and in Manton. After graduation he spent some time at Newton Theological Institution. He married Isabelle Lockerby of Concord, N. H., in 1898. Soon after he became pastor of the Pilgrim Baptist Church at Newburgh-on-the-Hudson, which pastorate he held six years. Here his wife and little daughter Ruth died. Mrs. Creighton was a woman of strong Christian character and great missionary zeal. She was a graduate of Dr. A. J. Gordon's Missionary Training School in 1895 and was a teacher in the school for two years following her graduation. The death of his daughter and his wife, June 3, 1904, changed his whole outlook and proved a turning point in his life. The missionary ardor which had always characterized his pastoral career broke out afresh, and he embarked alone and on his own resources as a missionary to Africa. He sailed from New York in November, 1904, and spent some ten days with Evangelist Torrey in England, being his guest on Thanksgiving day. He spent December in Wales, participating in the great Welsh revival going on at that time. He landed at Cape Town, Africa, Jan. 15, 1905. He had many acquaintances and school friends, both his and Mrs. Creighton's, who as missionaries were stationed at different points in South and East Africa. It was his purpose to visit them, encourage them and give them of the Pentecostal feast he had enjoyed in Wales. He stopped at Kimberley, Bloemfontein, Pretoria and many other mission stations on to Zanzibar and Mombassa. Here he fitted out a caravan and started for the interior, journeying to Victoria Nyanza, Uganda, Toro, across the great forest of 300,000 square miles to the Congo river. As Mr. Creighton was passing through the Kavirondo country on the northeastern shore of the Victoria Nyanza a heathen boy presented himself at his tent, offering to work for the white man. This boy, Rondo, became Mr. Creighton's faithful servant, nursing him while he was ill with fever in the great forest. He became a faithful Christian and was brought to London to be educated and fitted to become a missionary to his own people, but died there. Mr. Creighton spent some months in Nairobi, capital of British East Africa, also in Entebbe, part of Victoria Nyanza. He plunged into the great forest, Oct. 24, reaching Stanleyville, Dec. 24, the Yakusu mission, where he spent Christmas and New Year's. He sailed down the Congo to

Bolengi, where he was associated with Dr. Royal Dye, also Dr. Joseph Clark at Ikoko some two years and a half. Failing health then compelled him to return home in company with Dr. and Mrs. Clark. He then spent a year in missionary work in London and Dover, England. Since returning to America he had been engaged in evangelistic and missionary work at Brockton, Stoughton, Somerville and Dorchester, the Merrimac and Shawomet Avenue Missions, Boston. Three months previous to his death he gave up preaching, spending the first month resting with his friend, Mr. Roscoe Phillips of Providence. He entered the Cullis Consumptives' Home, Boston, Dec. 21, 1911, where he passed away Feb. 21, 1912. He and his wife were both members of the Clarendon Street Baptist Church at the time of their marriage, but their church membership was transferred to Pilgrim Baptist Church, Newburgh, N. Y. Dr. W. B. Trull of 18 West Cedar st., Boston, writes: "Mr. Creighton lived a crossed out life for his Saviour and a life of service for the distressed and dependent. As Burke said of George Herbert, he also 'remembered the forgotten.' Recalling the Christian men in fifty years of my own life, I cannot think of anyone who so closely walked in the way of his Master."

1898

Rev. C. M. Sherman, ex-1898, has entered upon his duties as pastor of the Grand Avenue Baptist Church, New Haven, Conn.

1899

Sixteen members of the class of 1899 were the guests of Rev. Antonio Mangano at his Italian Mission in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday evening, March 9. After doing justice to a fine Italian dinner, the men gathered around the piano and sang college songs. Later in the evening "Tony" took charge of a personally conducted tour, explaining the various places of his work and showing the different departments connected with the mission. Before the men left they presented "Tony" with a sum of money to be used in his work among the Italians. The following men were present: Mangano, Hunt, McKeen, Soule, Murphy, Kent, Dana, Burns, Bishop, Davis, Barker, Farnham, Chase, Henry, Grier, Hull, Guild.

Born, Jan. 4, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester W. Boardman of Colonial Park, Md., a daughter, Janette Boardman. Two boys, Brewer and Philip, are already looking forward to entering Brown from the Boardman household. Mr. Boardman has been, since, 1909, head of the English department in Baltimore City College.

1901

The address of Reuben Franklin Friedel is Newark, Del.

The address of Thomas H. Stevens is 300 Princeton av., Jersey City, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Tudor Gross are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, John Mason Gross, born Saturday, March 2, 1912.

Miss Marjorie Stuart Comstock, daughter of Hon. Richard B. Comstock, '76, a prominent member of the Rhode Island bar and leader of the Democracy in this state, was married, Feb. 10, 1912, at the home of her parents in Providence to Henry Clay Hart, son of the late Captain Henry Clay Hart of Eufaula, Ala., in the presence of about one hundred guests from this city, Boston, New Jersey and New York. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Hart will be at home at 57 University av. The bride is a graduate of Smith, '07, was a graduate student at Brown, '09, and is the granddaughter of the late Professor Greene, '37, of Brown University.

Charles B. Fernald is associated with S. G. Archibald in the practice of law at 82 Boulevard Haussman, Paris, France.

1902

Eugene Bailey Jackson is an attorney at law at 60 State st., Boston.

Jeremiah Holmes had much to do with organizing and supervising the "Triangle Temperance Campaign" with men of the United States Navy. It is regarded as one of the most important undertakings ever entered upon by the Navy Y. M. C. A., of which Mr. Holmes is a secretary of the Brooklyn branch.

G. F. Paddock has returned from the D. O. Mills expedition to Santiago, Chile, conducted by the Lick Observatory, and is now at 63 Governor st., Providence.

1903

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison B. Hill of East Providence are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

1904

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Casey of Claremont av., Providence, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, March 1, 1912.

Wells A. Hall is superintendent of schools, Concord, Mass.

The engagement of Helen Elizabeth True, Vassar, '04, and Charles W. Hunt is announced.

Dr. William H. Barr, ex-'04, is permanent resident surgeon at the state hospital for injured persons of the anthracite coal region of Pennsylvania at Fountain Springs.

1905

Rev. F. E. Marble, Ph. D., formerly pastor of the North Avenue Baptist Church, Cambridge, Mass., has been stated supply for four months of the Union Square Presbyterian Church, Somerville. On concluding his work he was presented with a purse of gold.

Wm. C. Hascall has been promoted from first sergeant, Co. K, First Infantry, C. N. G., to first lieutenant of Co. H, in the same regiment, the appointment dating from Dec. 29, 1911. His home is in Hartford, Conn.

The address of Levi Herbert Ballou, ex-'05, is 448 Blackstone st., Woonsocket. He is con-

nected with the Universal Winding Co., Stewart st., Providence.

1906

E. S. Brightman has returned from Berlin and may be addressed at 824 E. Fourteenth st., University place, Lincoln, Neb., where he has begun work as professor of philosophy in Nebraska Wesleyan University.

Joseph L. Wheeler has issued a handsome pamphlet, "Handbook of the Jacksonville Public Library," which contains his first annual report as librarian, 1911-12.

An interesting talk was lately given at the ladies' afternoon at the Providence Art Club by Ralph C. Whitnack, late adviser to the Maharajah of Baroda, on "The Maharani Gaekwar and Court Life of Baroda." Mr. Whitnack wore the native dress, with long loose overgarment of crimson brocade silk faced with magenta and green, opening over a dress of soft, thin white material bordered and belted with gold, and a turban simulating the larger one generally worn.

Edgar W. Akin, Jr., ex-'06, is at Davenport, Iowa, in the retail shoe business.

H. Edward Aldrich, ex-'06, is with the Worcester Consolidated Street Railroad Co. at Uxbridge, Mass.

Stephen E. Wright, who has been spending the winter in Munich, Germany, left there April 1 for a trip through the Tyrol. After spending some weeks in Paris and London he will sail for America the early part of June. Mail may be sent to him in Paris or London in care of the American Express Company.

Henry G. Carpenter and Stephen E. Wright will again manage the Breezy Bluff House, Edgewood, R. I., this summer, having taken a five-year lease of the hotel.

1907

The address of Lee H. White is 599 West 178th st., New York city. He is with the firm of Price, Waterhouse & Co., chartered accountants, 54 William st.

Raymond F. Tift, who completes his course in the Harvard Law School in June, has again been appointed to coach the Somerville High School baseball team.

Myron S. Curtis, mechanical engineer with the Potter & Johnston Machine Co., Pawtucket, has just returned from a business trip to England and France for his company.

Claude R. Branch has become associated in the general practice of law with Edwards & Angell at 1202 Union Trust building, Providence.

Claude Cuthbert Ball, ex-'07, is a lawyer at 724 Industrial Trust building, Providence. His residence is at 79 Massasoit av., Edgewood.

The business address of E. Sumner Bailey, ex-'07, is 14 Haymarket sq., Boston, Mass. His home address is 49 Florence st., Melrose, Mass. He is a salesman with J. W. Bailey & Sons Co., house furnishings.

Douglas N. Allan, ex-'07, is an assistant to

the superintendent of traffic of the Providence Telephone Co. His residence is at 26 Jenckes st., Providence.

William J. Bannon, ex-'07, is a medical student and pharmacist at Westerly, R. I.

Albert Barnes, ex-'07, is a student at the Bellevue Medical College, New York city, living at 85 Lexington av.

1908

O. W. Buddington is in the construction department of the General Electric Co. at Schenectady, N. Y.

Robert Horace Andrews, ex-'08, is an advertising agency solicitor at 25 Elm st., New Haven, Ct., and lives at 351 Orchard st.

Stewart D. Weston, ex-'08, is with the Richards-Neustadt Construction Co. at Los Angeles, Cal.

Robert T. Burbank is arranging a vaudeville show for the benefit of the Church House, to be given in Talma Theatre on April 11 at 8 o'clock.

1909

Charles E. Hughes, Jr., has been elected president of the Harvard Taft Club.

The engagement of Hugh F. Cameron and Miss Emily L. Maps of Long Branch, N. J., is announced.

The engagement is announced of John Addison Foote and Miss Margaret Frances Hilliard, of Haverhill, Mass., who is now occupied in missionary work in Tokyo. Mr. Foote will be graduated from Newton in June and will then go to Japan as a missionary.

The address of William Bichwit is Bichwit & Radack, cotton goods, 415 Broadway, New York city.

J. Howard Alger is in the sales department of the Aluminium Company of America, and his present business address is with that company at Oliver building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The address of Omar R. McCoy is 175 Huntington st., New London, Ct.

Winthrop Adams, ex-'09, is a student at the Tufts College Medical School. His address is 74 Ellery st., Cambridge, Mass.

George F. Sykes is teaching in the Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, O.

Edwin B. Mayer has been admitted to the bar in Illinois, having passed the state board examination. He also received the degree of J. D. (Doctor of Jurisprudence) from the University of Chicago at the spring convocation, March 19. His home address is 4250 Drexel boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

1910

E. F. Caton is with the bridge department of the New Haven Railroad. His address is 655 Howard av., New Haven, Ct.

Max A. Almy, ex-'10, is a medical student at 98 Jay st., Albany, N. Y. His home address is 140 E. 1st st., Corning, N. Y.

D. W. Abercrombie, Jr., ex-'10, is with the

New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. at 176 Federal st., Boston.

1911

J. F. High has been selected as football coach for 1912 at Wesleyan University. The Wesleyan Argus says: "Mr. High comes to Wesleyan with the highest recommendations. He was recommended to the council first by Mr. Marvel, the director of athletics at Brown. Numbers of letters have since been received from men who know Mr. High, including the president and faculty of Tulane; all speak of him in the highest terms. He was popular with the student body, who were anxious for him to return for another season." A letter published from a Tulane graduate highly commends Mr. High's work at Tulane during the past season, taking charge of the team when athletics were on the wane, and from poor and scarce material developing one of the most successful teams Tulane ever had."

The committee for the "year out of college" reunion has been appointed as follows: G. D. Moore, chairman, L. Gardner, J. R. McKay, E. B. Dane, R. E. Sisson, and R. F. Skillings and C. P. Sisson, ex-officio.

John A. Anderson is with the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, Providence.

M. W. Baker, Jr., is a salesman for the Boston office of U. H. Dudley & Co., wholesale commission merchants.

H. O. Barker is with the bond house of Von Hoffman & Co., 56 Wall st., New York. His address is 57 West 45th st.

Charles A. Barry is organist, choirmaster and teacher of music at Ovid, Mich.

R. W. Bingham, Jr., is teaching at Great Barrington, Mass.

The address of E. F. Bliss is care of the Y. M. C. A., Salem, Mass.

Harold B. Bliss is engaged in experimental work with the Providence Engineering Works.

Andrew L. Breckenridge is engaged in drafting work. His address is 20 Arch st., Providence.

F. A. Buck is doing civil engineering work. His address is 140 Pratt st., Mansfield, Mass.

R. H. M. Canfield is located at the Broad street station of the K. & M. Railroad, Charleston, W. Va.

M. H. Carson is assistant superintendent of the Colored Orphan Asylum at Riverdale, N. Y.

R. H. G. Caswell is doing graduate work in the department of chemistry.

C. J. Cawley's address is 325 av. C, Bayonne, N. J.

R. D. Chase is correspondent for the Review of Reviews. His address is 17 Maple st., Bronxville, N. Y.

The addresses of H. F. Cawthorne and A. C. Clark are, respectively, 36 Farwell Hall and 6 Sturtevant Hall, Newton Theological Institution, Newton, Mass.

H. R. Connor is doing engineering work for the Meese & Gottfried Company. He is residing with his family at 2009 Central av., Alameda, Cal.

P. C. Curtis is assistant chemist at the Silver Spring Bleachery, Providence. His home address is 43 Spring st., Pawtucket.

E. B. Dane is engaged in the insurance business with J. A. Gammons, '98. His address is 82 Mawney st., Providence.

S. B. Dishman, Jr., is reading law in his father's office in Barboursville, Ky.

E. L. Donle is assistant to Professor A. H. Blanchard, consulting highway engineer at Columbia University.

E. A. Dow is an instructor in the College of Applied Science, State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia.

George R. Hill is with the Pacific Coast Motor Car Company at Los Angeles, Cal.

C. P. Sisson, Secretary, '11

Samuel R. Parks has sailed for Pernambuco, Brazil, where he will be engaged in Y. M. C. A. work. He will act as secretary, but will also have charge of physical training, playground work and evening school classes.

Foster V. Young is engaged in the manufacture of wooden ware at 2 Brook st., Worcester, Mass.

Robert Cushman Murphy has been placed in command of the Antarctic expedition which the American Museum of Natural History is to send to the Island of Georgia for the purpose of collecting specimens of the plant and animal life of the locality. Almost nothing is as yet known of the region, and Mr. Murphy has an unusual opportunity of bringing his name into prominence by the discovery of some unknown animal or bird during the year that the expedition will be away. The party will leave New York some time in May or as soon as the whaler which is to carry it leaves the dry dock, where it is at present, being refitted. The ship will be manned by a crew of sixteen men, including the captain and mate, and will be equipped with everything necessary to enable the men to make a thorough investigation of the island. Mrs. Murphy will accompany her husband as far as Buenos Ayres. There she will leave him and will spend the rest of the time that he will be gone travelling in Europe. Mr. Murphy is well fitted for the position, as during his course in Brown he not only specialized in biology, but took, at one time or another, all the zoological courses that were offered. Since graduation he has been one of the curators of the Brooklyn Museum. In order to permit him to make the expedition, he has been granted a year's leave of absence. After his return he will, in all probability, devote several years to the scientific study of the specimens collected.

R. S. Taylor has recently been doing statistical work for the Commercial Club of Tacoma, Wash.

William I. Hastie, ex-'11, is acting as a confidential secretary to an executive of the Gen-

eral Fire Extinguisher Co. His home address is 86 Larch st., Providence.

James Louis O'Hara, ex-'11, is a student at St. Thomas College, Washington, D. C.

A. F. Zainie, ex-'11, is a lawyer at 118 East Berry st., Fort Wayne, Ind.

Clare Steele Johnston is studying at the University of California Law School. His address is 1665 Shattuck av., Berkeley, Cal.

1913 n

Nathan B. Akerman, ex-'13, is a Congregational clergyman. His address is 33 Florence st., Natick, Mass.

Alumnae

The Brown Alumnae held a meeting in Pembroke Hall, Wednesday, March 6. Miss Sarah E. Doyle, h '94, president of the Rhode Island Society for the Collegiate Education of Women, was the speaker of the afternoon, and there were violin solos by Miss Evangeline Larry. The alumnae guest was Miss Mabel Louise Potter, '97, of Fairhaven, Mass., president of the College Club of New Bedford, who with Miss Anne Tillinghast Weedon, '94, president of the Brown Alumnae, assisted in receiving at the tea which the Student Government Association of the Women's College gave before the meeting.

1898

Katharine M. Neuschuez is now Mrs. O. H. Schmadl. Her address is 164 Pearl st., Providence.

1909

Hazel M. Buckey has charge of the commercial department in the high school at Gilbertville, Mass.

Grace Frost is teaching in the high school at Central Village, Conn.

1911

Lyla Crapo is investigating for the Associated Charities in Boston.

1911 h.

The Rhode Island Wellesley Club gave a luncheon at the Hotel Narragansett Saturday, March 9, in honor of Miss Ellen Fitz Pendleton, the newly elected president of Wellesley College. Mrs. A. D. Mead, a '96, presided as toastmistress. Miss Sarah E. Doyle, h '94, "dean of Rhode Island women," welcomed Miss Pendleton. Dean King, a '94, was one of the speakers, and letters were read from ex-President Caroline Hazard, h '99, and from President Woolley, '94. Miss Pendleton said: "Keeping a college is quite like keeping a home; upon its every-day-ness depends a great part of its interest. Work, not as a grind, but as a development of power, is what the world needs, but it is of no use to give vocational training to those who have not the minds to use it. * * * Let us keep ourselves colleges of the liberal arts which will turn out men and women liberally equipped to meet life's re-

quirements. Training for a vocation can follow this."

BROWN CLUB IN NEW YORK

The annual meeting of the Brown Club in New York was held at the club rooms on West 44th st., Feb. 28, 1912, some sixty members being present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. O. Stanley, '76; vice-president, W. R. Dorman, '92; secretary, H. B. Keen, '07; treasurer, H. N. Coulter, '05; board of governors, J. B. Herreshoff, '70, Arthur Lincoln, '70, J. M. Duane, '72, S. H. Ordway, '80, Ira Barrows, '83, A. B. Meacham, '96; advisory board of alumni, W. C. Wyckoff, '95, D. L. Fultz, '98; house committee, C. H. Guild, Jr., '99, chairman, H. G. Hardy, '80, J. C. Chase, '99, Donald Maclean, '07, W. G. Slocum, '06; librarian, Dr. C. K. Stillman, '00; membership committee, Alexander Graham, '06, chairman, C. A. Lundell, '06, J. C. MacDonald, '08, Byron Smith, '01, Dr. C. H. Bailey, '03, F. S. Smith, '96, C. B. Dana, '99, C. Racquet, '10; bureau of business information, W. R. Dorman, '92, chairman, Richard Hunter, '98, A. H. Blanchard, '99, H. B. Keen, '07; press committee, H. G. Carpenter, '06, chairman, Robert W. Nason, '08, George Burdick, '02.

Reports of the various committees showed the

club to be in a prosperous condition. The membership is 212, the largest in the history of the club. The club is free from debt and there is a substantial balance in the treasury. The plan of having Brown graduates, or men identified with the university, address the club at its monthly meetings proved most successful during the past year, and will be continued next winter. It is hoped that Everett Colby will talk at the club in the near future. The Bureau of Business Information, recently established, has aided many Brown men in securing positions in and about New York city, and is a valuable institution to the club.

Secretary H. B. Keen, '07, reported the progress of the endowment fund movement, and referred to the generous contributions already received from the New York alumni. President Stanley urged every member of the club to give what he can toward the fund.

At the social hour which followed, the class of 1906, led by "Ballie" Graham and "Ted" Tolson, acted as hosts, and the quick disappearance of sandwiches, crackers, cookies, home-made cakes, fudge, apples and cider bespoke a hearty appreciation on the part of all present. President Stanley promptly urged other classes to make the "buffet lunch" a monthly feature.

H. G. Carpenter for the Press Committee

IN LIGHTER VEIN

Professor—Your answer is about as clear as mud.

Bright College Youth—Well, that covers the ground, doesn't it?—Cornell Widow.

Irate Student to Phlegmatic "Goody"—Do you ever sweep under the bed?

Insouciant "Goody" to Wrathful Student—Yes, sir, I always sweep everything under the bed.—Harvard Lampoon.

He—Just think of it, Miss Ruffles! It takes thousands of birds every season to decorate the hats you women wear.

She—Indeed! How remarkable! How do they train them to do it?—Pelican.

"Well, that's the shortest case on record," sighed the judge, as he finished the last bottle of beer.—Harvard Lampoon.

Janitor—Say, missis, doan' dat feller up in No. 16 evah do no wuk?

Landlady—Nope; guess he must be one of them idle rumors I hear folks talkin' about.—Yale Record.

Bill—Hear they are serving Veal Sweetbreads and Filet of Beef every meal at the Hall now.

William—Ah, sort of a double entrée system, I presume.—Coyote.

Cyril—I hear the Italian barbers have gone on a strike.

Egbert—Yes; they refused to use Turkish towels.—Yale Record.

Co-op. Clerk—This book will do half your studies for you.

Freshie—Give me two.—Pelican.

"I say, waiter, do I eat this or does the orchestra play it?"—Princeton Tiger.

Boe—Can you help a poor guy wot ain't had a bite to eat for two days?

Museum Manager (with an eye to business)—How would you like a job as sword swallower?—Yale Record.

Fresh (springing a "new" one)—I had a cousin named Adeline More, and the fellows nicknamed her "Postscript."

Soph—That's nothing; I owned a canvass-back duck who used to trot around from neighbor to neighbor, so folks called him a "house-to-house canvass."—Jack-O'-Lantern.

The freshman, who was a lanky youth, sat in the rear seat. His attitude was sprawling and he was either asleep or seemed about to go to sleep.

"Mr. Fraser," said the physicist, sharply, "you may recite!"

Fraser opened his eyes. He did not change his somnolent pose.

"Mr. Fraser, what is work?"

"Everything is work."

"What! Everything is work?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then I take it you would like the class to believe that this desk is work?"

"Yes, sir," wearily, "woodwork."—Vanity Fair.

AN ALL-BROWN BASEBALL TEAM

A PERSONAL OPINION OF THE BEST PLAYERS OF A GENERATION

By Captain G. A. Taylor, U. S. A., 1901

	FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM	THIRD TEAM
First Base	Rodman, '98	Weeks, '93	Belding, '04
Second Base	Pattee, '06	Dowd, '93	Grey, '04
Third Base	Lauder, '08	Lowney, '07	Magill, '03
Short Stop	Steele, '04	Phillips, '07	Hovey, '90
Left Field	Gammons, '98	Barry, '03	Newman, '01
Centre Field	Fultz, '98	George, '94	Clarke, '01
Right Field	Robinson, '06	Tobey, '03	Mackinney, '03
Catchers	Tenney, '04 (Capt.)	LeStage, '01	Higgins, '07
	Dunne, '08	Raymond, '09	Snell, '13
	Paine, '07	Whittemore, '01	Thurston, '93
Pitchers	Sexton, '93	Tift, '07	Sedgwick, '99
	Lynch, '04	Summersgill, '98	Hatch, '06
	Richmond, '80	Woodcock, '91	Conzelman, '12
	Brady, '97	Washburn, '01	Nourse, '09

Inasmuch as I have not yet been mobbed for my All-Brown Football Team selections, I will attempt to pick out a few of the exponents of the sphere as well as those of the prolate spheroid. I only hope that I will not overlook any bets like "Archie" Webb and "Joe" Colter, the "Iron Man," as I did when I canvassed the football field. Recently I mentioned the above selections to a Yale man, and we naturally drifted to New Haven. Practically in unison we repeated "Carter, Greenway, Sharp, Quinby, Fincke, Murphy, Letton, Keator and Rustin." That just illustrates how really simple it is to do a "Walter Camp." Speaking of "Dutch" Carter, I am inclined to agree with him that the present generation is a bit too contented with "second money." In the "Golden Age" of the nineties a badly defeated team did not expect to hear the strains of Alma Mater, as they sought oblivion. Well and good in its proper place, but this world has little false sentiment and pins few ribbons on losers. Even in the flush of victory over one of the "Big Four," who ever succeeded in finding "Sedge," the man who had pitched the game? "Bennie" did manage to intercept "Tom" Brady one day after he had "trimmed" Yale, and hand him a "Well pitched, Mr. Brady," before he could seek harbor in the gym.

In the above collection are at least nine men who have played major league ball, and some of them stars of the first water. Tenney, Fultz, Lauder, Lynch, Dowd, Pattee, Richmond—but they need no enumeration. Who does not remember "Dan" George's phenomenal catch, and the low liner that "Billy" Magill did not know he had caught, until the crowd told him. How do I happen to know about those things? Why, I was the kid who put the tin numbers up on the scoreboard. After "Dan" George's catch, I recall that I put up an erroneous score, through excitement, and got properly hooted, to my undying chagrin. "Ben" Thurston, who used to catch with a finger glove and broken fingers, and dear old "Al" Newman, who lost his life in the game he loved, are with us no more at commencement.

There is not room for all the good ball players that Brown has produced, so forgive me, gentle reader, if your name is not among the elect. There is no need of telling the old gang about Brown baseball, but it is well that the new gang should know. This is just a little tribute to some of the men I used to love to watch perform. They made Brown a baseball power. Maybe they did even more than that for Brown: who can say!

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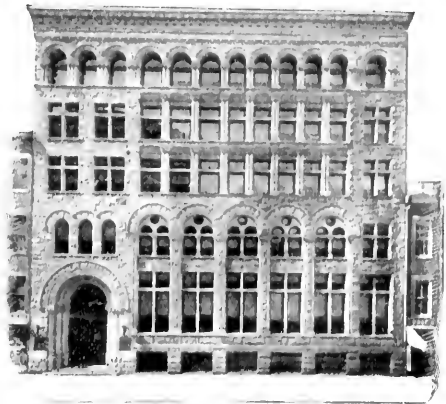
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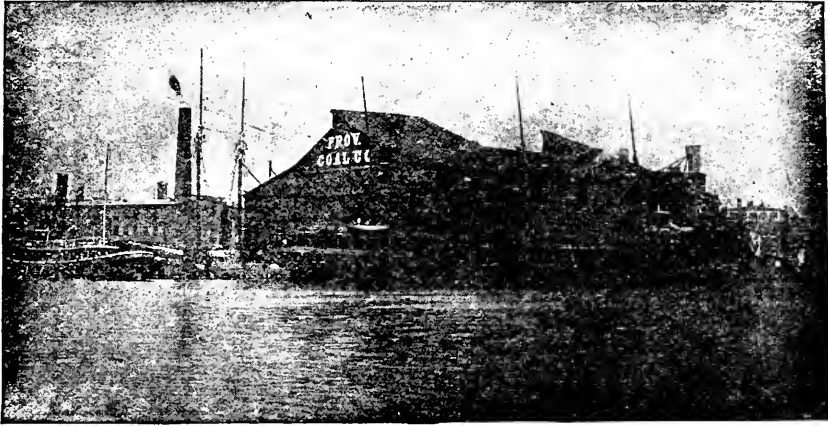
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