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We learn that Hon. Alonzo Abernethy, Superintendent of Public Instruction in the State of Iowa, has accepted the Presidency of the University of Chicago, tendered to him by the Board at its recent meeting. In his letter, responding to one of our own to him, Mr. Abernethy says: "I expressed to the Board the desire that my entrance upon their service might be deferred until the commencement of the next school year of the University, by which time I hoped to so far fulfill present official obligations as to enable me to assume the duties of the presidency." We are not informed, as yet, whether the Board acquiesces in this, or whether it may be hoped that the new President will be earlier at his post.

The writer of this has cherished for Mr. Abernethy a warm personal friendship since the time when, in the early days of the University, Mr. Abernethy was himself a student there. His career as a scholar was an honorable one. Indeed, his history during that period had remarkable features seldom seen in such cases. While yet a student he entered the army of the Union, and before the close of the war rose to the grade of colonel. He was elected a member of the Legislature of Iowa, while his name, as we believe, still stood on the rolls of the University. Since his graduation, as head of the institution at Des Moines for a brief period, and particularly as State Superintendent of Public Instruction, he has acquitted himself more than well, and is esteemed wherever known as a Christian gentleman and an efficient executive.

Mr. Abernethy's unquestioned success, as Superintendent of Public Instruction, in Iowa, proves his executive ability, while his familiarity with the practical work of education will give him a decided advantage. Personally, in all that makes the gentleman, in every attribute of manly character, he is all that could be desired. We feel warranted in assuring him of the interest that will be felt in his occupancy of this important and difficult post, and of the unanimous desire that he may be able to marshal in behalf of the University the interest and full co-operation of the denomination. Doing this he will have accomplished a monumental work and placed the Baptists of the entire country under obligations which they would gratefully and universally recognize.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO COMMENCEMENT.

July 4/76

The exercises connected with the annual commencement of the University of Chicago were opened on Sunday morning with the Baccalaureate sermon, which was preached in the University Place church, by Rev. William Shelton, D.D., President of the Southwestern University, of Tennessee.

The theme of the sermon was, "Godliness is profitable." This was illustrated quite ably and at considerable length. The profitableness of godliness, it was shown, did not belong wholly to the future or spiritual life, but was equally manifest with reference to the things of this world. The argument was forcibly and eloquently presented.

In the evening quite a large audience gathered in the Michigan Avenue church

to listen to an address from Dr. Shelton, "before the Faculty and Trustees of the University." After the preliminary exercises by the pastor and Dr. Burroughs, the speaker announced his theme, "The Principles of University Education as Exhibited in the History of the European Universities."

The times in which we live, he remarked, are prolific of discussion in regard to systems of education, and methods of culture. This is especially so in respect to our higher schools of learning, which are made subjects of rigid investigation by the prominent educators of the age. The more ancient of our universities, such as Princeton, and Yale, and Harvard, and Bowdoin have made important changes during the past ten years in their systems of instruction, so as to adapt themselves to the new order of things which these discussions have contributed to bring about. Our State universities, which are of more recent origin, have in a like way assimilated their methods to the new order of things. And special changes in methods of instruction have been made, not only in the newer universities and colleges of this country, but the same spirit has been operative among the older institutions of England and Scotland, and of continental Europe. Our denominational institutions are now conducted in accordance with the advanced ideas which prevail in the realm of education.

A very interesting historical review was given of the establishment of the English, French and German Universities. The systems of education which prevailed in Greece were referred to.

That of Sparta was repressive. The leading idea of that of Thebes was that of knowledge, the cramming of the mind with all sorts of knowledge to the extent of the receptive capacity, without providing a way for its useful and practical application; that of Athens was development, the straining of the intellectual faculties to their fullest tension. All these systems were defective, one-sided, and only developed a part of man. The modern university sought to combine these systems, eliminating what is objectionable, and retaining what is good, and making out of it a complete system of culture.

From this Dr. Shelton proceeded to give his own views of what should constitute a system of education in American universities and colleges. He would retain the classical in its full vigor, but to meet the demands of the times—the active vocational turn of the American mind—he would allow the applied sciences, especially those relating to the practical duties of life, a large place. The conclusion of the address was an eloquent appeal for a forgetting of the past; for the healing of the scars and wounds caused by our recent conflict, and living together in the present and in the future, in unity and love—as brethren, citizens of one great commonwealth—as one people from the great lakes to the gulf from the Atlantic to the Pacific, that our form of government and our free institutions may be perpetual.

The Juniors.

On Monday evening the University Place church was filled, the attraction being the annual orations of the Junior class of '77. The following programme was provided for the occasion:

American Orators—James Langland.
William the Silent—Charles R. Dean.
The Advent of Peace—William W. Cole, Jr.
Individual Liberty—Perry Baird.
The Puritan Poet—Francis M. Smith.
Lafayette—Nat. K. Honore.
The French Revolution—Geo. M. McConaught.
Christianity and Civilization—Fowler E. Lansing.
The Heroic Element in Life—Luther G. Bass.

There was some excellent music, furnished by the Quaker City Quartette Club. The young gentlemen acquitted themselves with credit, and the relative merit of the composition and delivery of their orations will be pronounced upon by the committee appointed to award the prizes. The style of writing adopted in the expression of thought was more mature, more chaste

and subdued than is usual on such occasions. There was no great redundancy of adjectives and high-sounding sentences. "American Orators" was a carefully-prepared production; as was also "William the Silent," by Charles R. Dean, who seemed to enter into the character of the truly great man whose virtues and achievements he celebrated. We might speak of others of peculiar merit, but must pass them for want of room to comment on the orators individually. Somewhat more energy in the delivery would in a few cases have been an improvement. *Incutite vim, Messrs. Juniors.*

Class-Day Exercises.

The usual class-day exercises took place on Wednesday afternoon on the University grounds. A large audience gathered to listen to the fun and frolic, and the graver things which the graduating class had to offer. The opening address of the President, H. J. Bosworth, was very felicitous in conception and delivery. The class oration, "Liberty and its Progress," by J. E. Rhodes, was full of choice thought and eloquent suggestion. The true principles of intelligent liberty were stated and strongly enforced. We do not remember ever hearing an "oration" better spoken by a member of a graduating class. "Class History," by A. J. Fisher, and "Class Prophecy," by S. C. Johnson, were clever deliverances, full of hits and fun. The class poem, "The Dreamer," by R. L. Olds, was a well written performance, partaking of the nature of an allegory. The "Bald Eagle" oration, by W. D. Gardner, was a humorous production, spoiled in the delivery. The farewell address, by W. G. Hastings, was a feeling utterance appropriate to the closing scenes of college life. It was well delivered and well received. The class song, which follows, will speak for itself:

Farewell Song.

On the shores of new life we are standing to-day,
No more as so long through these halls shall we stray,
But afar and alone must our willing feet roam,
Wherever they roam must they there make their home.

CHORUS—

Then we'll sing a last song, and in this say adieu,
But remember forever our classmates so true.

Old memories rise in our minds thick and fast,
As we think on the days that together we've passed,
And our hearts will still throbb at the thought of to-day,
When are silvered our heads, and our beards all of gray!

Many joys have we had through these long college years,
With little of sorrow and nothing of tears,
And while the rich life pulses quick through each vein,
To the dear days we're leaving we'll sing a last strain.

CHORUS—Yes, we'll sing a last song, etc.

Oh! many the things *alma mater* can teach,
Her numberless children have something for each,
But class-friendship all learn, and will keep warm and dear,
Till lessons are needless, and all things made clear.

Dr. Fulton's Address.

The annual address before the Literary Societies of the University was delivered in

the subject properly begins at verse nine of previous chapter, where an admonition is given to regard God as a judge. The verse should begin, AND REMEMBER, the word *now* not being an adverb of time. It is a continuation of the idea begun in xi. 9, the thought being that indulgence in a wrong life will bring only evil in old age. The appeal is begun in xi. 10, to "remove sorrow" and "put away evil," and should be directly connected with xii. 1. Thy Chearful—the entirety suggests gratitude

God's love toward us, his patience with us, his provision for us, here and hereafter. Some things we should urge our unconverted pupils to remember: God's mercy and love; his plan of salvation; their obligation to heed his words; the certainty of death if they reject his offers.—Some things all should do:—form right habits; live in obedience to God that age may be beautiful; seek God while he may be found; choose true wisdom instead of vanity, and folly.—Some things none should do:—live

this great fact should never be lost sight of, especially while interesting the young in what are sometimes called the mysteries of religion. See what God requires: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." If we forget God and remember not to obey his commands a great evil will come upon us. But if children learn of him, as they will in the Sabbath-school, and love him and obey him, their lives will be full of joy and the hope of a blessed immortality

was rather badly named, for he was wonderfully in need of help sometimes. "And you fought for him?" "Yes." "Ah! I have found you out; no wonder you like Fred Herbert," said the gentle-faced Mr. Armstrong. "I have a great fondness for the boy." Millie's eyes were distended to their utmost limits.

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—The Baptist Beacon, Des Moines, Iowa
gives the following:

A SURPRISE.—On Monday evening of this week, a large number of the members of the two Baptist churches of this city and other friends met and took possession of Col. Abernethy's house in a kind of a good-by social, prior to his removal to Chicago. Valuable and elegant presents were given and the evening was filled up with the best of cheer with plenty of cake, ice cream and singing. All were sad at parting, but all wished him and family a happy future and a "God bless you."

The University.—We learn that the University opens most favorably. It is doubtful if so large a number of students has ever been in attendance at the beginning of the year. We hear only the best accounts as to the impression made by the new President. *Sept 21/76*

The University.—At the meeting of the Inter-Collegiate Association of Illinois, held at Evanston on the 6th inst., the University of Chicago for the second time carried away the honors. The first prize was awarded to Mr. Perry Baird, of the Senior class in the University. His subject was: "The Call for Thinkers." A correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says: "Mr. Baird clearly surpassed all the contestants in true oratorical ability, his address being marked by originality, power, and elegance of composition." Mr. Little, of Knox College, received the second prize. His subject was, "The Nation's Leader."

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

To the Editor of The Standard:
MY DEAR BROTHER: I want to second the noble words spoken in your issue of January 11, in the article on "The University." As Baptists we should not only "not forget that we have this university to preserve, to relieve, and to push forward, ultimately," to the fore-front, but our every energy ought to be enlisted to relieve its present necessities and thus encourage President Abernethy and his co-workers to the utmost endeavor to fulfil the expectations of its founders.

There is no more important interest laid upon the heart of our denomination than the cause represented by the university, and if we do not watch over it we shall neither possess nor deserve the far-reaching influence throughout the Northwest promised by our earlier history. Chicago must by virtue of its position be the center of all business, social and religious interests of the Northwest. An illustration of this fact is seen in the greater results of the revival spirit outside of our city and in neighboring States than has been obtained here where the principal work has been carried on. It is the healthy operation of the heart which gives vigor to brain and feet and hands, and makes them strong for the performance of their work. For this reason we are under a moral necessity to do our best and grandest work right here. They did wisely who located the university

in Chicago, and they do wisely who stand by its fortunes in these times of trial.

A good work has been done for the seminary during the past year, and all praise to the noble brethren who have done it, but if the results of the work are not to be cramped and confined the university must be sustained in a similar spirit. In my opinion the interests of the two institutions are too nearly akin to be separated even in thought, and for one I hope there will be some immediate effort made for rallying about the university which will enable it to tide over present difficulties and ultimately to make it the grandest center of education in the whole West, as the advantages of its position require. J. W. CURTIS.

Jan. 10, 1877.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

We wish to call special attention to the fact that Rev. E. P. Savage, of Beloit, having received leave of absence from his church for the purpose, is engaged in an effort to secure means to meet arrears in the current expense of the university for this year. It is proper to say that the income from tuition in such institutions can never be relied upon to cover even the cost of instruction. In the present case it is impossible that these deficiencies should be met by income from other sources, inasmuch as these are themselves, not only embarrassed, but pledged to other uses. Meantime the work of instruction is done, well and faithfully done, and those by whom it is done are entitled to at least the measure of remuneration that is promised them. Mr. Savage has undertaken the service asked of him at no little personal sacrifice, and in the hope of finding friends of the university ready to welcome him and to co-operate promptly and generously. We trust that in this he is not to be disappointed.

We are not aware of anything in the present attitude of university affairs that can change the fact that this is an institution founded by Baptists, who are made responsible by its charter for its successful prosecution, and therefore entitled and required to recognize it as their own. Nor has it ceased to be a fact that denominationally our credit is pledged to the public in this behalf. The true course, as it seems to us, is to stand loyally by the institution, sustain those who are working in it so faithfully, and hope confidently for the time when the present cloud shall lift and float away. That time we believe will come, and in the meanwhile let us be careful not to forget that there can be nothing more deserving the solicitude and active exertion of Western Baptists than the successful occupancy of this, the very best educational point now held by the denomination in America. Brethren, let us all "turn to and help."

A NEW UNIVERSITY QUESTION.

We have preferred not to be the first to make public the position which it has been understood the present administration of the University propose to assume with reference to the mortgage upon its property held by the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company in Boston. It has been, for years, the singular ill-fortune of this institution that not alone prematurely, but at the worst possible time in other respects, its affairs have been made the subject of comment in the newspapers. More than once measures which had some promise of good in them have been estopped and rendered impossible by publications tending to exasperate controversy, and otherwise multiply complications. In our judgment, this new question should have remained in the hands where it properly belongs, until at least events had so far developed as to render publication inevitable. The Tribune, of this city, however, has given details of the whole matter, and we are on our own part now left no alternative as to our own course.

Owing to the non-payment of interest since the new loan was obtained about one year and a half ago—increasing the whole amount to \$150,000—the company has announced its intention to protect itself by foreclosure. The answer to this which the administration of the University is understood to make is to the effect that the Board of Trustees had no power, either in the first instance, twenty years since, or in the more recent case, to encumber the property granted by Judge Douglas, which furnished the original foundation, and which is the property now covered by the mortgage; that, therefore, the mortgage is invalid in law, a foreclosure cannot be enforced, and the company must either get what it can out of other assets of the University, or must wait until in the changes of times and tides the debt can be paid. The reason given for this is, in brief: "That the trustees of a trust known as a public charity in law are not authorized to, and absolutely cannot execute any instrument by which the perpetuity or other essential feature contemplated in and covered by the act of foundation may be jeopardized, and that such action on the part of such trustees is null and void."

Now, into the legal features of this question we of course do not propose to enter, nor shall we touch any of the personal matters which may be involved. There is a view of the subject lying back of all these which it becomes now our duty to bring to the attention of brethren, East and West. Whatever lawyers or courts may say upon a subject like this, will be of comparatively small account to Christian men who find themselves pledged, directly or indirectly, in a matter involving questions of equity and good faith. It may

be true that the chief responsibility of this action will rest with the University trustees, and perhaps, owing to peculiar circumstances, with a very small minority of the board; but indirectly, it is a matter involving the credit of the whole Baptist denomination. If it is to be conceded that the control of the University, in all its affairs, has passed practically out of the hands of the denomination; if we are prepared, as Baptists, to surrender our rights there, and allow any parties who may choose to do so to take possession, that will alter the case

somewhat. We may then say for ourselves that having had no part, whatever, as a body, in those acts of the trustees which have brought things to their present pass, having neither first made loans upon certain securities, nor now come forward with any plea that those securities are worthless, we are not to be held responsible for any wrong, in equity, that may be involved. If, upon the other hand, it is our purpose, as a denomination, to assert our rights in the University, and claim all that its charter assures to us, then we must face the question whether, either by silence or by formal assent, we will endorse a measure which is, so far as questions of equity are concerned, a violation of good faith.

In case the general sentiment shall be as we have, in our own personal interviews with brethren so far found it—that the denomination cannot consent to be marked with a stigma of this kind—the further question arises, What shall we do? Is there any other answer than this, "We must pay the debt?" By recent action the trustees have put it in the power of the denomination to base an effort in this direction upon pledges and guarantees that will ensure a complete reconstruction of the university organization. Upon no other condition, we are assured on all hands, could any such effort be made. Now, shall it be made, with this condition put in such form as to justify confidence? We hold this to be a question of the utmost moment. It addresses itself to every Baptist who has the honor of the Baptist name at heart, as also every one really interested in the educational work of the denomination at this point. We ourselves have, in it, just the interest every Western or Eastern Baptist has. We ask the question, leaving others to answer.

CHICAGO UNIVERSITY.

THAT CONTROVERSY OVER THE MORTGAGE.
No further steps have as yet been taken in the negotiations between the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company and the Trustees of the Chicago University in regard to the lifting of that mortgage about which there has been so much talk. The President of the Union Mutual, Mr. John B. DeWitt, will be here next week, however, when a meeting will be held at which all interests will be represented, and at which, it is hoped, some arrangement will be entered into to prevent the matter being taken into the courts. The authority for this statement comes from an interview which a TRIBUNE reporter had yesterday with Mr. Edward R. Seccomb, of Boston, who, as Superintendent of the Loan Department of the Union Mutual, is frequently in Chicago looking after the Company's financial matters.

MR. SECOMB
stated, in brief, that when President DeWitt was here, a few months ago, he had a conference with the parties in interest, and it was stated to him that if certain changes were made in the Board of Trustees something would be done to lift the mortgage, or at least to take care of the interest thereon. The result of the conference was that the Company gave the parties three months to talk it over, see what changes were necessary, if any, in the Board, and adopt some arrangements that would give satisfaction all around. So far no changes have been made, and whether any will be the future only can develop. But, setting aside all speculations on this point, Mr. Seccomb said he had heard only one sentiment expressed among the friends of the University, and that was simply this: that, rather than have the matter go into the courts, they would devise some arrangements to pay the mortgage, or, in any event, the interest on the mortgage. Mr. Seccomb was of the opinion, from all he had heard, that the Company would not be so sure that they would not let the Company lose a dollar by any action of the Trustees. The loan, said he, was made in good faith, and he did not think there would be any difficulty between the parties, when they came together, which would stand in the way of a fair, mutual understanding. The Company was willing to accommodate the University now as it had already done. It did not seek to press them, but would be willing to extend the time of the mortgage, provided they would keep up the interest. From what he had learned, he was led to think that the parties themselves were of this opinion, and at the coming conference next week he was confident that there would be a mutual desire to arrange matters without recourse to the courts.

THE STANDARD.
It will be seen from the following editorial, which appeared in the last number of the Standard, that the watchmen on the towers have given warning and have exhorted the brethren to put their hands in their pockets and preserve the honor of the Baptist name in all its integrity:

Owing to the non-payment of interest since the new loan was obtained about one year and a half ago—increasing the whole amount to \$150,000—the company has announced its intention to protect itself by foreclosure. The answer to this, which the administration of the University is understood to make is to the effect that the Board of Trustees had no power, either in the first instance, twenty years since, or in the more recent case, to encumber the property granted by Judge Douglas, which furnished the original foundation, and which is the property now covered by the mortgage; that, therefore, the mortgage is invalid in law, a foreclosure cannot be enforced, and the Company must either get what it can out of other assets of the University, or must wait until in the changes of times and tides the debt can be paid. Now, into the legal features of this question we of course do not propose to enter, nor shall we touch any of the personal matters which may be involved. There is a view of the subject lying back of all these which it becomes now our duty to bring to the attention of brethren, East and West. Whatever lawyers or courts may say upon a subject like this, will be of comparatively small account to Christian men who find themselves pledged, directly or indirectly, in a matter involving questions of equity and good faith. It may be true that the chief responsibility of this action will rest with the University trustees, and perhaps, owing to peculiar circumstances, with a very small minority of the board; but indirectly, it is a matter involving the credit of the whole Baptist denomination. If it is to be conceded that the control of the University in all its affairs has passed practically out of the hands of the denomination; if we are prepared, as Baptists, to surrender our rights there, and allow any parties who may choose to do so to take possession, that will alter the case somewhat. We may then say for ourselves that, having had no part whatever as a body in those acts of the Trustees which have brought things to their present pass, having neither first made loans upon certain securities, nor now come forward with any plea that those securities are worthless, we are not to be held responsible for any wrong in equity that may be involved. If, upon the other hand, it is our purpose, as a denomination, to assert our rights in the University, and claim all that its charter assures us, then we must face the question whether, either by silence or by formal assent, we will endorse a measure which is, so far as questions of equity are concerned, a violation of good faith.

In case the general sentiment shall be as we have, in our own personal interviews with brethren so far found it—that the denomination cannot consent to be marked with a stigma of this kind—the further question arises, What shall we do? Is there any other answer than this, "We must pay the debt?" By recent action the Trustees have put it in the power of the denomination to base an effort in this direction upon pledges and guarantees that will ensure a complete reconstruction of the University organization. Upon no other condition, we are assured on all hands, could any such effort be made. Now, shall it be made, with this condition put in such form as to justify confidence? We hold this to be a question of the utmost moment. It addresses itself to every Baptist who has the honor of the Baptist name at heart, as also to every one really interested in the educational work of the denomination at this point. We ourselves have, in it, just the interest every Western or Eastern Baptist has. We ask the question, leaving others to answer.

RECEPTIONS.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

was thronged last evening with a most brilliant assemblage, the occasion being the reunion of the Astronomical Society and the Trustees of the University. Among those present were President Abernethy, the Hon. J. Y. Scammon, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Fuller, Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Johnson, the Hon. Thomas Hoynes, Mr. and Mrs. Murry Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Stone, Charles J. Hall, Prof. Howe, Olson, Stearns, Colbert, and Basten, Miss Emma Shaw, Miss Ada Matthews, Dr. and Mrs. I. N. Tucker, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Burroughs, Mrs. Prof. Howe, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Gallup, Mrs. Prof. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Miller, Mrs. Harmon Spruance, Mrs. Prof. E. Colbert, Judges Moore, Rogers, and Booth.

Those present took a peep at Jupiter through the big telescope, which (not Jupiter but the telescope) Prof. Colbert, assisted by Mr. G. F. Barton, managed for the occasion. For the musical part of the programme, Miss Emma Shaw sang a solo and Dr. Harlan Coles and Thomas Roney and Misses Emma Shaw and Ada Matthews rendered a quartette in finished style. Miss Mary Terhune gave a recitation. A collation was served, and the whole affair passed off most pleasantly and without speech-making.

OLD PEOPLE'S HOME.

The fourth annual reception was held yesterday and last evening at the Old People's Home, corner of Thirty-ninth street and Indiana avenue. During the day many visitors and friends of the Home availed themselves of looking through the institution, and were gratified by seeing the well-ordered condition of one of the most commendable public charities in the city. In the evening there was a musical and literary entertainment, of which the following was the programme: Recitation—"Kentucky Belle," Mrs. Dainty. Song—"Mrs. Frank Hall. Recitation—"Grandmother's Apology," Mrs. Dainty. Duet—"Sweet and Low, Land of the Swallows," Mrs. E. A. Jewett and Mrs. Hall. Recitation—"The Dead Dolly," Mrs. Dainty. Song—"It Was a Dream," Mrs. E. A. Jewett. Recitation—"How We Hunted a Mouse," Mrs. Dainty.

Among those present were Mr. B. W. Raymond, Mr. D. A. Jones, Mrs. A. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Atwater, Miss Mary Goodrich, Miss Morton, Mrs. William Smith, Mrs. J. Irving Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cooper, Mrs. C. C. Pock, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Edson Keith.

HOME OF THE FRIENDLESS.

Yesterday was a gala day for the Home of the Friendless, and the little occupants of that most deserving of charitable institutions were early in the morning washed, combed, brushed, and dressed with uncommon care, for it was to be reception day, when all the good ladies of the Board of Directors, and the male officers of the institution, and all those charitably-inclined ones of the great cold-hearted public, were expected to come and see the children: to satisfy their curiosity in regard to the building; to be amused, and—pay for it. The rooms were all arranged with flags and flowers, the latter being contributed mainly by Mr. Haskins. Little benches were placed here and there, and a placard told of the "ice-cold lemonade, only 5 cents a glass." Refreshments also had been provided and all things arranged to give a hearty welcome to all who came, and—paid for it. At 9 o'clock in the morning the visitors began to arrive, and they continued to arrive all day. It is estimated that at least 1,000 visits were received during the day. Johnny Hand's orchestra had been engaged, and at 10 o'clock they played; then a little later Miss Clara Munger sang beautifully. Then, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, the choir of the Industrial School rendered some very pretty vocal selections, and Mrs. Laura E. Dainty occupied the time from 4 till 5 o'clock with delightful recitations and readings. In the evening the Young People's Dramatic Association of the Trinity M. E. Church performed. Thus a most enjoyable day was passed. The children most of all enjoyed it, and those who visited the Home were amply repaid by the hearty welcome and entertainment for all their trouble.

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COMMENCEMENTS.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The exercises connected with the annual commencement of the University of Chicago, opened on Sunday morning of last week, with the Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Galusha Anderson, D.D. It was preached in the Second church to a large and interested audience. Dr. Anderson took for his text:

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.—Philippians ii. 8.

The general theme of the discourse was "Character." The preacher took the comprehensive position that character is the most important thing which enters into the concerns of man.

Mankind is divided into two great classes, the good and the bad. In these classes there are great diversities, but every man has the characteristics of his class. Character is what a man is, what God knows him to be. It must be distinguished from reputation. It is what a man is. Reputation is what a man seems to other men to be. The shadow of a tree is much larger than the tree in the morning, and much smaller at noon. The tree represents character and the shadow represents reputation. What a man is, is of much more importance than what he does. The Bible dwells much more on what God is than on what he does. All the attributes of God are repeated over and over. We are told that he is just, merciful, omnipotent, omniscient, love. What God is, is constantly put forward. The Scriptures often tell us what God did, in order to show what he is. The primary demand of the Scriptures on man is for character. We are told to put away sin and be holy. Christ told men to be holy, as God is holy. The disciples repeated the same thing. God tells us that he wants the heart and not the outward form, and the outward form became an abomination when the heart was not in it. Paul dwells largely on character when he speaks of the qualifications of a bishop. Moral philosophy says the morality of an act is determined by the intention, but the intention generally depends on what the man's character is. If the spring is pure the stream will be pure.

The importance of character is made obvious by the consideration of the influence which it exerts. The exertion of indirect influence is all-important, but it is always irregular in action. But the indirect influence exerted by a man's character is always in operation, silently, steadily, like the law of gravitation. A man of good character, though not an active man, is always a power for good. The effectiveness of what a man does depends largely on what character lies back of it. There are men who may commend virtue in eloquent terms, and yet be only laughed at. Let a man of unsullied character advocate virtue, and though he may be not eloquent, yet because of his character people will listen to him. There are teachers, not more learned than others, who have a lasting influence for good on their pupils, because of their excellent characters.

Having considered the importance of character, the second branch of the sermon was devoted to the discussion of the question, "How can the superstructure of character be built up? Primarily, it is built up by the impressions made upon our souls by our thoughts and tastes. The discussion on this point was carried to a considerable extent and illustrated by personal references. But Dr. Anderson contended there has been but one absolutely pure character; it was the character of the God-man. God declared himself well pleased with him, and Christ's enemies confessed their inability to base charges against him. Great men, great human characters, are grunted at a distance, but a close inspection shows many faults and many unclean places. But in the character of Christ such is not the case. All is pure and good. Dr. Anderson urged the young men before him to think on the purity and goodness and greatness of that character, and be lifted up thereby. He thought muscular Christianity was in danger of being overdone, and of crowding out the soul and the intellect. Paul said he kept the body under. The body must be taken good care of, but it must be made the servant of the mind and soul. Neither should the intellect be given the highest place. The soul is more important than the mind. Christ said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

The whole sermon was an effort to impress upon the minds of all the great importance of a pure Christian character, as distinguished from all others.

The Examinations.

The examinations of the classes commenced on Monday morning and closed at

Wednesday noon:

Monday—Astronomy, Prof. Colbert; French, Prof. Stearns; Natural Philosophy, Prof. Howe; Physiology, Prof. Bastin; Mathematics, Prof. Howe; Greek, Prof. Dyer; Anabasis, Prof. Olsen.

Tuesday—Algebra, Prof. Howe; German, Prof. Olsen; Livy, Prof. Freeman; Sophocles, Prof. Dyer; Geometry, Prof. Howe; Latin, Prof. Stearns; Metaphysics, President Abernethy.

Wednesday—Algebra, Prof. Howe; History, Prof. Freeman; Demosthenes, Prof. Dyer; Virgil, Prof. Olsen; Cicero, Prof. Stearns; Botany, Prof. Bastin.

The examinations were well sustained, and showed that much thorough work had been done.

The Junior Exhibition.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the Juniors were greeted with quite a large audience at the First Baptist church on Monday evening, of people desirous of listening to their orations. The exercises were opened with prayer by Dr. Everts, pastor of the church, followed by the Blaney Quartette, who furnished music for the occasion. President Abernethy acted as master of ceremonies. The young gentlemen then delivered their orations, as follows:

"The Mission of Poetry"—J. R. Windes.
"The Uses of Adversity"—N. J. Rowell.
"Controversy"—W. E. Raymond.
"A Plea for Iconoclasm"—J. D. S. Riggs.
"Delenda est Constantinople"—Charles Ege.
"The Other Side of the Question"—E. B. Felsenthal.
"Music Among the Fine Arts"—T. C. Roney.
"The Power of an Ideal"—F. A. Helmer.
"The Charity of Nations"—C. B. Allen, Jr.
"Anglo-Saxon Influence"—W. A. Gardner.

The orations were all good, being unusually well written, as a whole. The delivery of most of them could be improved by the discipline of a competent teacher of elocution. This necessary training will doubtless be given during the senior year which is to follow. The best written oration we think was that of Mr. Roney, and perhaps the best delivered that of Mr. Raymond. But the difference between several was so slight that it is not easy to make a distinction. The Turkish war came in for discussion. Mr. Ege speaking against the Turk, and Mr. Felsenthal making a plea in his behalf. The subject was well handled, Mr. Felsenthal, especially, showing that he had studied the subject pretty thoroughly, and did not fail to bring out the strong points of "the other side of the question." As a whole, the Juniors of '77 acquitted themselves with great credit to themselves and their instructors.

Meeting of the Alumni.

The literary meeting of the Alumni formerly occupied a place in the commencement exercises of the University, yet for some cause has not been held for several years. But those interested determined to revive the pleasant occasion, and accordingly the meeting was held at the University Place church on Tuesday evening, the President of the Association, W. L. Pierce, in the chair. The exercises opened with a prayer by Rev. W. Whitney, of Osage, Iowa. The Chicago Quartette Club furnished the music of the evening.

The President remarked that those who were to take part in the exercises had had only a little time to prepare, for it was only a few days since that it had been determined to revive this annual meeting. This was thought to be a good time to do so, as it was the first year of the Presidency of their fellow-alumnus, Hon. Alonzo Aber-

nethy.

F. T. Powers, of the class of '71, read an essay based upon the question, "Does a Liberal Education Pay?"

In a commercial point of view he contended that it did not. That it gave no advantage over others so far as material interests are concerned, only in exceptional cases. In our commercial houses it is no recommendation for a man to say that he is a college graduate. Business men look upon the question from a business standpoint. Commerce does not require culture, but simply a knowledge of the specialties which could be put to practical and profitable use. In the professions it is different.

Taking this view of the subject, another question presented itself: "Is it worth while to acquire a liberal education?" Trade and commerce are not all of life; though necessary, they are not its highest interests. The education a man gets in college is but the foundation. It must be added to, increased at every step forward. The tendency of the times is toward a "division of labor" in intellectual as well as in other pursuits. What has been heretofore done by one man, requiring a comprehensive and varied knowledge and culture, is now divided up in several specialties. It is so in medical and legal practice and in journalism. A man would fare hard now-a-days to have his dentistry done by the regular physician, and the criminal would be quite sure to go to the penitentiary if he committed his case to the commercial lawyer. But specialties have the effect of narrowing the mind by confining the acquisition of knowledge to a single point. Excellence in one thing is scarcely a compensation for ignorance of many things. The love of learning is the root of all soundness of thought; of all acquisition, in opposition to mere intellectual drudgery which characterizes so much of the literary work of the present. It is by introducing us into literature that learning affords us the most pleasure, and a college education is the best and most useful introduction to the literature of the world. It is the duty of educated men to make public sentiment and not follow it; to be the leaders of thought, not its echoes. We of the alumni profess to be educated men. Let us, then, heed the injunction and walk worthy of the profession wherein we are called.

Rev. E. O. Taylor, of the class of '68, read a clever poem, containing allusions and hits which the "boys" relished highly. It is rather long, and we only make a few extracts here and there:

From the North and the South, and the East and the West,
From city and country, and valley and crest,
We greet Alma Mater, our homage to pay,
This day of rejoicing, her twentieth birthday;
A right hearty welcome she gives us to-day,
In a feast of fat things—a modest display,
Of classical viands and spiced with a knowledge,
Unlike the hash of any other college,
For natural it is as all mothers agree,
That mothers should doat upon sons such as we,
Who always in lessons stood "perfect" of course,
And never discovered at riding—a "horse."
Such wonderful sayings would need explanation.
Were it not for the fact that since graduation
We've made up lost time, and the deeds of that
score,
Lie buried from vision—they're remembered no
more.
But among the strange things that greet us to-
day,
Is that one should be poet and put up to say
The things that others could better have said
Unless the old rhymers are surely all dead.

Back from the dim distance but glorified past
Come memories of one who has gone to his rest;
And all 'twould become us this glorious day
Should we forget DOUGLAS in the honors we pay.
More proud and enduring than the pile on you
shore,
Or a statue in bronze, or a fortune in store,
Which gave Alma Mater its ten-acre lot
In the process of time, as the scribe used to say,
This little beginning began to display
Unwonted proportions, until we now see
A classical monument, our University.
Ah, well I remember, with honor and pride,
When high on her arches, her top-stone was laid,
How tasks grew the lighter as her figure grew
high;
How a friendship was formed, which never can
die;
And though the storms gather, and the waves
beat high—
Though fierce be the conflicts, and ruin seem
nigh,
Yet proudly she anchors in hearts that are true,
For her conflicts are ours—her victories, too!

We also remember that veteran hero,
Whose pocket-book never ran down to a zero,
Whose money came thicker and faster than all,
And for whom the South wing was named
JONES HALL.

But, dear friends, he it said that the scenes
which invoke
These memories to-day were not all a gay joke;
Even as life, though it has its bright shining
side.

Has another, a nobler, where duties betide.
'Twas the toil of those years—by night and by
day—
That inured the mind to the brunt of life's way,
And as proudly we stood, at the end of that
race,
'Twas only beginning another, to face,
With virtue, and honor, and courage, and
might,
The world's hardest battles—to champion the
right!—
For the voice of the age is a call for the man,
Not of masculine gender, but in essence THE
MAN!
Go forth, then, dear friends, mid the strife and
the frown,
Though distant the object, far-reaching the
crown,
Remembering ever the motto that wins it,
Perseverantia omnia vincit!
And when we shall stand, at the end of life's
course,
Its problems well solved and its language well
versed—
May the President there, for the laurels here
won,
Grant us all the degree: "Good servant, well
done!"

Joseph F. Bonfield, Esq., corporation counsel, of the class of '64, followed with what, he remarked, he supposed was called the "oration," but from the short time in which he had been compelled to prepare it, it would scarcely come up to the classic model.

He proposed to discuss the active, living present instead of the dead and buried past. He would invite the thoughts of the young men to the things of the present day, among which they lived, moved, and acted. He referred to precedent; the adhering with undue tenacity to old rulings in all departments of life as opposed to progress and as standing in the way of improvement. The responsibility for overcoming such obstacles in the way of progress rests upon the leaders of thought who ought to be the educated men of the country. Reference was made to the political conditions and prospects of the country, and a rather overdrawn sombre picture presented of the future. The conclusion of the whole matter was that true education can only be obtained by a faithful and honest study of ourselves, our circumstances and our wants.

The first of the revived annual meetings of the alumni then closed, and all felt gratified and encouraged by its success.

Class-Day Exercises.

The usual class-day exercises of the Seniors took place on the college campus, on Wednesday afternoon. They were not unlike, we suppose, all performances of the same character which have been from time immemorial.

The President's oration, by N. K. Honore, was mainly an introduction to the exercises. The Ivy oration, by F. M. Smith, was very good. The Class History, by Perry Baird, was, as is usual, a combination in which the humorous and even the ridiculous formed no inconsiderable element. The class paper by James Langland partook considerably of the same characteristics. The class oration, "The American Masses," by G. M. McConaughy, was a creditable performance, discussing general politics and principles of social science. The class song, by F. M. Smith, was rather better than usual. We give the concluding stanzas:

Thus have we now fought the first battle of life,
And the banner of victory now streams high
above us;
How we love the hard toil and the still harder
strife
Of the battle of thought whence no power can
remove us,
And Alma's dear name, to us ever the same,
Affection shall cherish, with honor its aim.

Miss Jessie F. Waif, as the class prophet, did admirably. If the real comes up to her ideal of what the future will reveal, the class of '77 will not have lived in vain. The Hatchet oration was by W. W. Cole, Jr., and the presentation by C. R. Dean. The farewell address by F. E. Lansing was a very meritorious production. The farewell song, by W. W. Cole, Jr., shows genuine poetic talent, as will be seen in the reading of it:

The past has now given us her treasures immortal,
And bright dawns the future on youth's hopeful heart;
But pause we to-day as we enter its portal,
And say we to all a farewell as we part.

In the shadows of evening, our college-work ended,
We will sing a last song; but fond memory will dwell
On this home, and the years that in brightness have blended
And we say to each friend and each classmate—farewell!

Yes, dear to us all are the scenes we are leaving,
Where sunlight and shadow have glanced on our way;
And all will be sacred in memory's weaving,
The pleasures of past years—our parting to-day.

As we bow to the duty now bidding us sever
Our union in toil that by hope is made light,
Be "unus amore" our motto forever,
And the dear ties of friendship our number unite.

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Before the Societies.

On Wednesday evening, at Farwell Hall, Judge Cooley, of the Supreme Court of Michigan, addressed the literary societies of the University. Judge Cooley, on being introduced by Wirt Dexter, Esq., entered upon his theme, after an appropriate preface, addressing his discourse to the patriotic impulses of the young men of the country.

The relations of men to government, and of government to men was discussed fundamentally, and in words of wisdom which commended themselves to the good judgment of the audience. The practical defects of our political system were examined, not among the least of which it was contended that the ignorant classes compose so large a portion of the ruling element. But right here we would add, by way of parenthesis, that our greatest dangers, deepest corruptions, have come not from the ignorant classes, but from quite a different class; yet educated rascality can better carry out its purposes with an ignorant constituency behind it. So that the argument of Judge Cooley has a measure of foundation, after all. But still, the ignorance of so large a number is not the result of our system of government, but the fact exists in spite of all the beneficent provisions of our system to secure a contrary condition of things.

Judge Cooley next considered what he regarded as the defects of our Constitution, coupled with the admission that no written instrument could be so framed as to meet all the contingencies arising out of the changing conditions and circumstances of any people. The subject of political parties engaged the attention of the speaker. He regarded it as a great and threatening evil that the tendency of late years had been to pervert the original intent and purpose of political parties by destroying them as the representatives of great principles of government, and turning them into exponents of selfish and personal interests, and making them the instruments by which to secure the spoils of political success. He regarded the press as a powerful element of reform in all governmental matters, and the caucus as extra-constitutional and a source of evil. He urged upon all an intelligent connection with politics, especially of their state, which he regarded as a wide field for the cultivation and exercise of statesmanship. The system of political preferment for mere partisan or personal service he regarded as a vicious one, and fraught with many evils.

Judge Cooley did not look with favor upon the movement of some very excellent and right-minded people to secure an amendment to the constitution verbally recognizing God. He thought it the better way to cleanse the practice under the constitution and thus purify the government, and not attempt an amendment which practically amounts to nothing. In regard to the loose notions prevalent upon the subject of defrauding the government, the speaker was quite emphatic. The government itself, by its recent action toward a large class of defrauders who have robbed it of millions, and by its present hesitancy and weak and vacillating course in not bringing them to justice, has a strong influence in confirming and perpetuating these loose notions. The government officials act as though they considered the robbing of its treasury a very slight and venial offense.

In conclusion, while he admitted that the reform of the evils which he had pointed out must be slow—the work of time and of patriotic endeavor—he called upon the educated young men of the country to take this reform into their own hands. It should be the ambition of every educated man to assist in elevating society in every possible direction, and in this way enviable renown may be won. These aims are worthy the wisest and best; and by such efforts the American people can make themselves fit in character to exercise the powers of government which have been placed in their hands.

The address, which was a sound and able one, was listened to with profound interest and attention, and received repeated applause during the delivery.

The Seniors.

The exercises connected with the commencement proper took place at Farwell Hall on Thursday afternoon, beginning a little after two o'clock. The procession, including President Abernethy, the Faculty, Trustees, and other dignitaries of the University, with some invited guests, having entered the hall and ascended the platform, prayer was offered by Rev. J. W. Custis, of the Michigan Avenue church.

Then came the first orator, Mr. Perry Baird, of Pardeeville, Wisconsin. His theme was *The American Mind*.

Although the American mind may not be strikingly dissimilar from the mind of any other nation, yet there are conditions and circumstances surrounding its development which cause it to manifest certain idiosyncracies. The leading idea was that the greatness of any nation did not depend so much upon material progress as upon intellectual development. The tendencies of German and French thought were pointed out. The Anglo-Saxon thought was practical in its tendencies and manifestations. The most noticeable feature of American thought is its intense activity.

The oration was full of thought, strongly expressed and forcibly delivered. *Benevolence of Art*, by Luther J. Bass, of Malden, Illinois, came next:

The beneficence of art was shown to be in its effect and influence upon the life and growth of nations. Art, it was contended, is the outward expression of the true, the good, and the beautiful, and has so represented the growth and life of nations that in their histories their course could be traced by the state of their art. No man is a complete man unless his aesthetic nature is cultivated; no man can appreciate without this the wondrous power of nature to give pleasure. To cultivate this attribute is the mission of art.

This oration was well written, and delivered with spirit and effect. *Popular Feeling*, William W. Cole, Annawan, Illinois, followed:

This subject was illustrated by reference to the exhibition of public feeling in England in regard to the Crimean war, and the present contest in the East. The vacillating course of the French people, and the frequent changes which they have so rapidly undergone, were cited as proof that some power was needed to regulate and restrain the outbreaks of popular enthusiasm. The conclusion reached was that there is a great necessity for leaders, to stand between the masses and the great principles of truth and right.

Necessity of Revolutions, by Charles R. Dean, Chicago, was the next oration.

Revolutions, contended the speaker, are levers by which great boulders of oppression and injustice are removed. They are the means by which a people may relieve themselves from tyranny. The condition of the people of France, prior to its great revolution, was cited in proof of the necessity for revolution. England, too, had been compelled to employ this terrible agency. Revolutions are necessary as the promoters of civilization and national progress. Our own revolution and its results were made to do service in sustaining the speaker's argument.

The oration was well wrought out and expressed in vigorous language, showing that Mr. Dean had bestowed much earnest thought upon his theme, and that he spoke from a full conviction that he was on the right track. It was one of the best of the series.

Peace the True Policy of Nations, by Marvin B. Harrison, Chicago, came next. The arguments in favor of peace, as contrasted with war, were forcibly put. That it is the true policy of nations was shown in various ways. The speaker thought the principles of peace were destined to prevail until all shall acknowledge their beauty and power.

Society and Solitude, by N. R. Honore, Chicago. Here, too, was a contrasting of two things about which there has been much controversy. Mr. Honore first took the part of society, and advocated its cause with much spirit. But he did not insist that society was all good, and placed its advantages and disadvantages over against each other; and by the time he was through he appeared as an advocate of solitude.

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yet finally brought up with the conclusion that it is best to adopt a medium course, as both society and solitude lead to extremes.

Safeguards of the Republic. By James Langland, Chicago. This subject was discussed in the light of the experience and fate of the Republics of the old time, and the indications of decadence which are visible in our own case. These were enumerated in detail, and it was insisted that they were destructive causes and powerful agencies of ruin. Our safety lies in the good sense and Christian civilization of our people. The war against our free schools was branded as treason to our country and to God. This oration was thoughtful and well written, and set forth sound principles.

The Irresistible Tendency. By Fowler E. Lansing, Darlington, Wisconsin, followed. Is democracy a novel accident, or is there towards it an irresistible, universal tendency? was the question with which the speaker started out, and he then proceeded in an attempt to answer it, taking the affirmative, which was well sustained by argument drawn from the history of the past as well as by the existing facts of the present. Mr. Lansing acquitted himself with great credit.

The Relation of the Scholar to the State. By George M. McConaughy, Rochelle, Illinois. This subject, important and extended in its relations, was well handled, and attracted attention from the opening to the close. The relations and duties of educated men to the state were enforced by a variety of arguments and considerations, showing that Mr. McConaughy has well studied the political relations and responsibilities of the citizen. His oration was one worthy the name, and was spoken in a clear, decided and emphatic manner.

Responsibility. By Francis M. Smith, Kalida, Kansas. This subject was discussed generally, and with much breadth of thought, by one of the best speakers of the occasion. The illustrations from history gave indication that much labor had been bestowed in the preparation of the exercise.

The Influence of Plato and Aristotle on Modern Thought. by Miss Jessie Fremont Wait, of Aurora, Illinois, was the crowning oration. The speaker was received with a round of applause, she being the only "girl graduate" of the class.

She began with a beautiful exordium, descriptive of Plato and his surroundings. "But a pupil had entered the academy of Plato, who was destined to excel his master." This was Aristotle, of Stagira. This event was destined to exert a powerful influence upon modern thought. The two philosophers were contrasted in their various mental features in a most interesting manner, and a most earnest and discriminating tribute was paid to each. The influence of Plato was seen in the modern German transcendentalists, such as Kant and his conferees. That of Aristotle on such English philosophers as Bacon, and those who thought with him. Plato compels us to think, Aristotle drives us to action.

The effort indicated much originality of thought, and was characterized by great beauty of expression. After listening to such a graduating oration, no one need have any doubts about the "co-education of the sexes."

Delivering the Diplomas.

The class of '77 was called upon the platform, and received their several diplomas, the delivery being accompanied by some very appropriate and commendatory

remarks by President Abernethy. The following are the names of the graduates:

B. A.—Perry Baird, Luther George Bass, William Wallace Cole, Marvin Bradley Harrison, Natt Kingston Honore, Fowler Edgar Lansing, Francis Marion Smith.

B. Ph.—Charles Ray Dean, George Marshall McConaughy, Jessie Fremont Wait, Romulus Adolphus Windes.

B. S.—Arthur D. Hopps.

The degree of M. A. was conferred upon the following in course:

Reune Runyon Coon, Jr., Thomas Edward Egbert, Charles Henry Day Fisher, Levi Herbert Holt, Robert Morgan Ireland, Charles Tillinghast Otis, George Sutherland, Frank James Wilcox. That of M. S. upon Gilbert Ellis Bailey, Theodore Newell Treat.

The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred upon Rev. J. W. Custis, pastor of the Michigan Avenue church, Chicago, and Rev. J. A. Nash, of Iowa; of LL.D. upon Moses Gunn, M.D., of Rush Medical College, and of M. A. upon Charles H. Balliet and James H. Etheridge, M.D. The graduates of the Law Department also duly received their appropriate degrees. The graduates of the Medical Department had been previously provided with theirs.

The exercises closed with the benediction by Dr. Galusha Anderson.

The Alumni Dinner.

The annual dinner of the Alumni Association of the University took place at the Palmer House at 5 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, the President, Ferd W. Peck, acting as master of ceremonies, flanked by Chancellor Burroughs and President Abernethy. Dr. J. B. Jackson invoked the divine blessing.

At the conclusion of the dinner, Mr. Peck arose and in a few brief and hearty words welcomed the guests, the trustees and others, and concluded by calling upon President Abernethy.

Mr. Abernethy, in a few well chosen remarks spoke gratefully of the past, and cheerfully and hopefully of the future.

Rev. E. P. Savage, from a committee appointed at a previous meeting, reported the following resolutions, which were enthusiastically adopted.

WHEREAS, The Hon. Alonzo Abernethy, an alumnus of the university, has occupied the responsible position of President during the year now closing; therefore,

Resolved, That we learn with just pride and sincere gratification of the tact, ability and success with which he has discharged the duties of his office; that we heartily appreciate the noble spirit of devotion to a most worthy cause that led him to forsake a place of superior comfort and profit to take this position under circumstances peculiarly trying, and that we pledge him our cordial support in all ways within our power; and,

WHEREAS, We have learned that the Rev. J. C. Burroughs, D.D., LL.D., has declined re-election to the office of Chancellor of the university; therefore,

Resolved, That we take this opportunity of giving a very inadequate expression of our warm appreciation of his multiplied services to this alumni association, and to us individually; and that we shall ever hold in remembrance the eminent services that from its very foundation he has rendered the university, an institution that will stand as a lasting monument to his unsurpassed devotion and self-sacrifice.

Dr. Burroughs was called out, and a speech of course expected. He thanked the alumni for the great kindness indicated on their part toward him in the resolutions just presented. They knew how he felt towards them without his putting it in words. He then briefly touched upon the past, referring to the difficulties and perplexities which have to be encountered in the infancy of all institutions of learning. He said he had intimated a desire to be relieved from the cares and anxieties of

twenty years service which had worn him down, and as he had received an offer from a gentlemen of Philadelphia to meet his expenses for an extended tour abroad, he had hoped before this to have availed himself of it.

Thanks to the faithfulness of the trustees and the quality of the graduates, we had always had good commencements. There had never been a failure; and the one we have witnessed to-day is not an exception. He hoped to live to see the University all we have hoped to make it—to reach a position of prosperity for which we have been so long laboring. Without any disrespect to other institutions which have contributed to our Faculty he was glad to note the fact that it is made up, so largely of the alumni—of its own children.

Toasts and responses followed. Rev. J. T. Sunderland spoke for "The Alumni," and concluded by moving that a committee be appointed to organize a literary club. The motion prevailed, and Messrs. Sunderland, Bonfield, Savage, Olson and Pierce were appointed such committee.

Rev. E. O. Taylor spoke for "The Alumni in the Ministry," G. M. Lamberson for "The Alumni in the Legal Profession," F. P. Powers for "The Alumni on the Press," Miss Jessie F. Wait for "The Alumnae of the Fair Sex." General speeches were made by Prof. Weston, of Antioch College, Ohio, Rev. J. W. Custis, D.D., and Dr. J. B. Jackson, and the pleasant re-union closed.

The Reception.

The President's levee, or annual reception, was held in the parlors of the University in the evening. A large company of the friends of the institution assembled and passed the time pleasantly in social converse, partaking of the generous entertainment which had been provided, and listening to some excellent music, kindly volunteered by Miss Emma M. Shaw. The rooms were fragrant with many flowers, and were otherwise beautifully decorated. In the absence of Mrs. President Abernethy, Mrs. Prof. Howe gracefully officiated as hostess on the occasion, assisted by Mrs. J. W. Dean.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Elsewhere readers will find a full account of the recent commencement of the University of Chicago. The occasion had features of marked interest. We have never seen a larger audience present. The orations of the graduates afforded much satisfaction; the only noticeable defect being in respect to literary tone—a defect which, we believe, will be provided against hereafter—while the vigor, earnestness, thinking power, and in the main propriety of expression, indicated that the training received has borne good fruit. The interest shown by the alumni in the fortunes of the university was a highly encouraging fact, while there seems to be evidences of a disposition on the part of its friends generally to rally for its relief.

At the meeting of the trustees held on the day preceding commencement, the Chancellor, in his report, referring to the fact that his term of office expires at this date by limitation, announced to the board that he declines, under any consideration, to accept a re-election, stating it to be his purpose, if he can perfect arrangements to that effect, to visit Europe, perhaps for a year or more. It is understood that the decision of the Chancellor is a finality, and so far as we can judge at present, the purpose is to leave the office of Chancellor for the time unfilled. Friends of Dr. Burroughs have for some time wished that he might give himself the relief of such a change as is now proposed, confidently believing that residence abroad for a brief term would recuperate health and repair in every way the strain incident to such burden-bearing as has been for a long time his experience. His retirement will lead, probably, to some other changes in the working organization, with a view to secure in it the utmost possible efficiency. The situation is one of enormous difficulty, but we judge, by what we see of the temper of the trustees, that they mean to meet it in a square and manful way.

And this leads us to express our regret that some fault of phraseology on our part, in a former article, has evidently misled our excellent brother, the editor of the *Watchman*, and perhaps others, as to one important point. It was indeed our purpose in that article to indicate distinctly that any action proposed in contesting the foreclosure of the mortgage upon the university property, was *not* action of the board. We find, however, that in using the word "administration" we not only laid ourselves somewhat open to that construction, but also failed to state the exact fact even within that limit. By "the administration" we meant, of course, those actively concerned in the management of university affairs. But we find that taken even in this sense the "administration" is by no means a unit. In point of fact, the action as at one time contemplated, was to be that of *individuals*, acting wholly in their individual capacity, and in no sense whatever representing the Board of Trustees, the President of the University, the Finance Committee, or any person or organization whatever save the individuals themselves.

We owe an apology to all concerned, including our brethren of the press at a distance, for an inaccuracy of statement which fails so entirely to represent the real facts. It is important that brethren and friends, everywhere, should distinctly understand that the Board of Trustees of the University entertain no other expedient of relief under present difficulties save that of paying the debts of the institution, and so far as we know, to a man, they are ready for an honest, earnest and resolute endeavor to lift away completely and forever this great burden. We solicit to this statement the special attention of the editors of the *Watchman*, the *Examiner*, the *National Baptist*, and papers of the denomination generally, in the hope that they will see it expedient to lend their powerful aid in an effort to hold, and efficiently occupy, this important educational point in the interest of the denomination. We also invite for the subject the earnest consideration of the esteemed Secretary of the Educational Commission, and of his associates upon the Executive Committee of that body. Has any case occurred, in the history of American Baptists, more needing the exercise of the best wisdom at command, or more demanding a strenuous effort to meet successfully the conditions of a very difficult situation?

As to the *personnel* of the present Board of Trustees, we must ask our brethren to accept our assurance that it is not undeserving the confidence it needs. We might name men in leading positions upon the board who are well known throughout the land, and whose discretion, ability and fidelity no one would think of questioning. It might be indelicate for us to say more than this at present, yet we are anxious to emphasize the fact that those upon whose shoulders a great burden now comes—the writer of this of course putting himself out of the account—are men entitled to the cordial good-will and support of all interested in the fortunes of this university.

—In filling vacancies in its Board of Trustees, the University of Chicago has been so fortunate as to secure the renewed services in that position of Mr. Robert Harris, President of the C. B. & Q. R. R., and to add, as new members, Hon. Charles H. Reed, late State's Attorney, J. F. Bensley, Esq., and Murry Nelson, Esq., of the Board of Trade, Judge L. C. P. Freer and Ferd. W. Peck, Esq., an alumnus of the University. We have not learned, positively, that all these gentlemen accept the position, yet quite confidently expect that they will do so. In the case of some of them, we are fully assured on that point, and must congratulate the Board upon accessions so valuable.

THE UNIVERSITY BOARD.
July 19/77
We prefer to assume that our brethren of the denominational press really desire to lend a helping hand in the work of saving the important educational interest located at Chicago. Nor are we disposed to find fault with their very natural desire to know more fully the grounds for a renewal of confidence in the management here. They will, however, concede—no persons in the world can be better aware than they—that many things in this connection cannot be printed in the columns of a newspaper, while a certain amount of faith may justly be claimed in behalf of well-known names, such as, upon every board of trust, supply a basis of appeal to public confidence.

There are twenty-nine members, out of forty-two, who represent in the Board the Baptist denomination; the ratio being, of Baptists to non-Baptists, twenty-nine to thirteen. Many of the names which we have given are well-known, and it will be seen that they re-appear, some of them, in the Executive Committee, in whose hands, practically, a large share of the management of affairs necessarily lodges. We give this committee, also, following again the order in the catalogue:

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Dr. Galusha Anderson, Chicago, John M. Van Osdel, Chicago, Hon. W. E. Smith, Milwaukee, O. W. Barrett, Chicago, J. K. Pollard, Winnetka, Ill., Dr. D. B. Cheney, Chicago, Dr. L. D. Boone, Chicago, H. O. Lincoln, Chicago, Robert Harris, Chicago, J. A. Smith, Chicago, Dr. J. C. Burroughs, Chicago, George G. Walker, Chicago, F. E. Hinchley, Chicago, W. T. Sherer, Chicago, W. M. Hatch, Bloomington, Charles H. Reed, Chicago, William Wilson, Menominee, Wis., J. R. Doolittle, Chicago, E. Nelson Blake, Chicago, Ralph A. Loveland, Chicago, M. D. Bacon, Waukesha, Increase C. Bosworth, Elgin, N. T. Gassette, Chicago, D. Vollentine, Aurora, H. A. Rust, Chicago, Dr. N. W. Miner, Oshkosh, Wis., S. P. Crawford, Rockford, A. B. Meeker, Chicago, Ferd. W. Peck, Chicago.

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has been done in the directions so often pointed out by brethren of the denominational press and others, to justify those having this weighty matter in charge in asking that at least such a measure of confidence shall be allowed them as shall encourage them in loyal and earnest efforts to place the whole interest upon a sure basis. We know enough of the sentiments of the Board to justify us in saying that inquiry and scrutiny, with advice, will be most cordially welcomed. There is no wish to conceal or disguise the least thing; it is the earnest wish that the exact state of affairs here shall be known by those who have a right to know. It was partly with this in mind that we invited to the subject, in a former article, the attention of gentlemen connected with the National Baptist Educational Commission. They have been placed in their present position exactly with reference to such critical and important matters as are now pending here, and their advice and help will be most welcome;—any expression of interest on their part, going to show that an important institution in the crisis of its destiny is not regarded with entire indifference by those who might be expected to look upon it as in some sense their especial care.

Aug 2/77
THE UNIVERSITY.—Attention is invited to the advertisement of the University of Chicago, in another column. As many will be desirous of information as to arrangements made in the department of instruction for the year opening next September, we add a few particulars here. It is arranged that the classes in Greek be taught by Profs. Freeman, Olson and Dyer; those in Latin by Profs. Freeman and Stearns. The mathematical classes remain as before in the care of Prof. Howe. Modern languages are assigned to Prof. Dyer, a former student in the University, and who has spent some years studying with marked success in the University of Oxford, England. Profs. Wheeler and Dexter continue in service as heretofore. The department of history and English literature is left for such arrangement as may be found practicable at the opening of the year. Prof. Stearns continues in charge of the preparatory department.

It is believed that the provision thus made for the several classes will command the approval of the old students and invite new ones. President Abernethy, now in Europe, is expected to be in his place at the opening of the new year, prepared for the duties of his own chair. With associates of tried ability in the faculty, and with the guarantee afforded in his own successful administration during the year recently closed, the new President appeals strongly to public confidence, and may reasonably expect to find both old friends and new rallying to his side. We hope to have the pleasure of chronicling, in due time, a larger force of students than has been known in the history of the University thus far.

Feb 14/76
The University.—We learn from the Registrar that the prospects of the University of Chicago, so far as students are concerned, were never better. The number of applications is quite large, and it is expected that the new classes will be filled. The financial pressure has not been removed, but it is to be hoped that the friends of the institution will not permit a very long period to pass without an improvement in this respect. *Feb 6/77*

Sept 2/77
THE UNIVERSITY.—At the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the University of Chicago, Rev. Galusha Anderson, D.D., was elected chairman, for the year. The friends of the institution are finding much encouragement in the fact that the new year opens so well. There has been some suspension of effort in behalf of the University during the summer, but it is hoped that now, along with the beginning of work in the classes, something efficient will be undertaken in connection with the outside work. An energetic and capable working organization in that behalf will not, we trust, be much longer delayed. Just as we are preparing to go to press this note comes from President Abernethy:

We have enrolled so far, I find, the present term, one hundred and seventy students, over fifty of whom are new students. All the college classes are fuller than last year, and the attendance is considerably larger than at the corresponding date a year ago. The instructors for the term are all present, their classes organized, and all students apparently entering with enthusiasm upon their studies. Yours truly,
ALONZO ABERNETHY.

Jan 24/78
CHICAGO.—Immediately after the holidays the second term of instruction at our University opened with the usual number of students. In spite of the hard times and all adverse circumstances, the number of students has seldom been greater. President Abernethy and his able associates in the faculty are all at their posts, doing thorough and commendable work. We trust that God will raise up hosts of friends for this Institution, which is second in importance to no enterprise with which, as a denomination, we have to do.

Jan 31/78
CHICAGO.—The day of prayer for colleges will be observed at the University on Thursday, of the week, Jan. 31. Services in this chapel will be held at eleven a. m., to be opened with a sermon by Dr. C. L. Thompson, of this city.

Feb 7/78
The University.—An important meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday of last week. Some informality in the calling of the meeting made it seem advisable not to come to final action on the important matters presented and discussed. Another meeting is to be held on Thursday of the present week. We hope in our next to have a report to make that will gratify all the friends of the university. The day of prayer for colleges was observed by the faculty and students, a sermon being preached in the morning by Dr. C. L. Thompson.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Elsewhere we give a brief summary of proceedings at recent meetings of the trustees of the university. One important matter we have left for notice in this place. For some months past, the finance committee of the trustees have directed their attention to measures for the extinguishment of the heavy debt with which the institution has so long been burdened. The first step toward this they felt to be some arrangement with the company holding the mortgage—the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company—by which the sum to be raised might be materially reduced. The amount of the mortgage is \$150,000. Upon this there is accrued interest amounting to \$24,000; making the total of the indebtedness \$174,000. This, it was felt, is a sum altogether unmanageable in times such as the present, and any effort to secure means to discharge it utterly hopeless, if these figures must stand unchanged. Entering into negotiations with the officers of the company, they have prosecuted the matter with persistency, energy and skill which now have their reward in a wiping out of \$74,000 of this great debt at a stroke. The company accepts \$100,000 as a discharge of the whole debt, giving one year as the time in which to raise it, the interest to be at four per cent. Should further time be needed, six months additional will be allowed for what remains unpaid at the end of the year, interest upon this remainder to be at six per cent.

The members of the Finance Committee are Messrs. N. T. Gassette, Esq., the chairman, O. W. Barrett, W. T. Sherer and E. Nelson Blake. With these gentlemen Dr. Galusha Anderson has been actively associated. They have won a title to the lasting gratitude of all friends of the university, and of the Baptist denomination in particular. They have not spared time, nor labor, nor personal inconvenience, and have achieved a result upon which, it is not too much to say, the whole future of the institution must turn. In these negotiations they have been met by Mr. John E. DeWitt, President of the company, and Mr. W. F. Seccomb, one of the principal directors, both gentlemen of Boston, in a spirit of readiness to do all that duty to the interests represented by them, on their own part, would allow. It simply remains, now, to secure all the advantages of this result by raising the money that is to be paid, and paying it, to lift and remove forever this great burden.

The changes in the administration of the university speak for themselves. The letter of Mr. Abernethy, printed elsewhere, indicates sufficiently his motive in proposing to the trustees a measure so important to himself, while the resolutions adopted by the latter only imperfectly express the sense entertain-

ed of his efficient service in the university, and of his manly and noble course throughout. His suggestion that the new president should for a time devote himself to a final solution of the financial problem was in the line of purposes already entertained, and it is understood that this will be Dr. Anderson's first work. The papers, consummating the arrangement made with the company, will be executed as speedily as possible. It is expected that Dr. Anderson's formal acceptance will then be received, and so soon as the place he leaves in the pastorate of the Second church in this city can be filled, he will devote his whole time and strength to the interests of the university. His salary as president, it should be known, is provided for by special pledges.

There are many things which we could say, both of the outgoing and the incoming president, if we did not know so well what the personal preference of each would be in such a case. Mr. Abernethy has won esteem and honor, since he has been with us here, from all who have come to know him, while the steady increase of students at the university is the best possible testimony to the success of his administration. To introduce Dr. Anderson to either the Baptist denomination or to the general public would be a manifest impertinence on our part. While he was still a student, he was recognized by those who knew him as of that class of men to whom great trusts are committed, and from whom great work is expected. His course since, as a minister and a teacher, has more than justified that augury; and as he comes now in the ripeness of his years, his intellectual growth, his culture, and his experience to the leadership of one of our most important educational enterprises, he cannot fail to command the unanimous confidence and the enthusiastic support of friends of education among Baptists, wherever on the continent they have their home.

We have the means of knowing that the accession of Dr. Anderson to this presidency is regarded with especial interest by prominent and wealthy gentlemen of our city who are not Baptists. They believe in him and are rallying about him. There is good reason to hope that there may be, under this leadership, an awakening of local interest such as may have never before been felt in the university, and a command of resources, such as the one University of Chicago ought surely to find available in the community where it stands.

THE UNIVERSITY. Meetings of the Trustees.

Feb 14/78
The Board of Trustees held two very important meetings on Thursday and Friday of last week. We give here details of the principal business; some comments, with other details in the connection, will

be found elsewhere. The proceedings were based upon a report of the Finance Committee, made by its chairman, N. T. Gassette, Esq. This embraced, after some explanations, the following letter from President Abernethy:

Feb 14/78
To the Executive Committee Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago:

GENTLEMEN:—Having served the University for a year and a half, I believe the time has come when I may ask to be relieved from further service. The condition of the University at the time of my election in December, 1876, was not such as to afford a basis for much confidence of permanency. This election, though unanimous and wholly unsought, I found myself unable to accept until subsequent to the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in June, 1876, at which time action was again taken, re-inviting me to enter at once upon the duties of the office. In view of such an invitation and of the situation of the University at the time, I did not feel justified in declining, and have given to the internal management such ability and experience as I possessed. My retirement at this time can, I believe, in no wise jeopardize the interests of the University; and I sincerely trust, as I also believe, that the place may be speedily filled by one who can bring to the office more varied attainments and a wider experience.

In view of the difficulties attending the present financial management, the vacancy in the chancellorship, and the present needs, it is worthy of consideration whether it may not be advisable to abolish that office, reunite the two, and ask of the President, temporarily at least, an active service in presenting the claims of the University to the public, to secure needed aid. With unabated interest in the University, and undiminished confidence that it will, at no distant day, attain a high and honorable position among our best institutions of higher learning, and the pride of this great metropolis in which it is located, I hereby present to you, gentlemen, this my resignation of the office of President of the University. Yours very truly,
ALONZO ABERNETHY.

Chicago, Dec. 14, 1877.

The action of the Board upon the letter of Mr. Abernethy was in the following form:

Resolved, That the resignation of Hon. Alonzo Abernethy, as President of the University, having been presented to the Board at the present meeting, it is hereby accepted.

Resolved, That the Board invite President Abernethy to continue in service at the university for the remainder of the current year, as instructor of the classes now under his care, and for such other service as may be found desirable; his salary for such service to remain as at present.

Resolved, That in accepting the resignation of President Abernethy the Board desire to assure him of the cordial esteem of those who have been associated with him in these relations of service and responsibility, and of the important place which his administration will have in the history of the University. He may be assured that the self-devotion, the manly constancy, the industry and efficiency, the administrative ability shown by him while holding this difficult post during a critical period in our history as an institution of learning, confirm to him the highest respect, and the warmest good wishes for his future, of all interested in the fortunes of the University.

The Finance Committee had reported the name of Dr. Galusha Anderson as a candidate for the presidency. Upon a ballot being had, Dr. Anderson was unanimously elected. Mr. Abernethy was requested by vote of the Board to continue in discharge of the duties of the presidency until his successor shall be prepared to enter fully upon them. In accordance with a further recommendation of the Finance Committee, and under the form of resolutions presented by Dr. Cheney, the elective office of Chancellor, created by the Board in 1874, was abolished, and the duties of Chancellor and President, as indicated in the by-laws, were incorporated in the one office of President. O. W. Barrett, Esq., J. A. Smith and Dr. Anderson were made a committee to revise the by-laws in accordance with this action.

The Board next proceeded to an election of trustees to fill vacancies. J. F. Gillette, Esq., Wirt Dexter, Esq., Henry Strong, Esq., and Hon. Alonzo Abernethy were chosen. Mr. Gillette was elected Treasurer in place of Henry Greenbaum, resigned. These important results in the organization

of University were reached with perfect unanimity. The arrangement entered into with the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, touching the mortgage debt of the University, which was ratified at the meeting with instructions to execute the necessary papers, is noticed more at large in another column.

LETTERS ON CURRENT THEMES.

Feb 28/78
The University—Let us Pay the Debt.

I am rejoiced at the light which seems breaking through the dark cloud of debt which has so long hung over our Chicago University. Now let the matter be pressed on all sides. A strong chest to hold the offerings, Levites to make the collections, and a good modern *Joash* to push the work, and it can and will be done. What is a hundred thousand dollars compared with the value of the University to our denomination in the great West? and who can begin to estimate its influence on coming generations?

I want to thank my brethren in the name of my Master for the good news THE STANDARD has just brought me. Church debts melt like snow in the warm sunlight, before the warmth of pious zeal for God's house. Hard times seem to prove good times, for they develop our dependence on God and our respect and reverence for his house. Are we ready to lift in the matter of Chicago University? I think so, if the assurance shall be given that work shall be done and debt avoided.

The question of an endowment comes next, and it will be raised. May God give the Baptist people a "mind to work," and the result will be glorious; Chicago will fill a large place in all our hearts, and the effort itself prove the greatest blessing to the denomination. E. H. BRONSON,
Pastor First Baptist Church, Aurora.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

March 2/78
The University of Chicago, for several years, has been embarrassed by debts. These, we grant, were unwisely contracted. No institution should ever put on shackles. But the men who have now been called to the management of the University are in no way responsible for this state of things. We take the University as we find it. As no man can doubt its vast importance to this great Northwest, and to our common country, we propose, under God, to pay its debts and to endow it.

We found that the University owed "The Union Mutual Life Insurance Company" \$174,000, principal and interest. This company has stipulated to settle all its claims upon the University for \$100,000, provided that this sum shall be paid within one year. Thus \$74,000 of the debt is cancelled, if we fulfil the proposed conditions. If we should pay the \$100,000 in six months, we should thereby save \$2,000, as interest at four per centum must be paid on the \$100,000.

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debt, the University will then be without endowment. To make it really efficient, at least \$300,000 are needed for endowment.

We, therefore, appeal for \$400,000. The first \$100,000 will be used to cancel our indebtedness to the insurance company, and the additional \$300,000 will be sacredly used for endowment.

Are there not twenty men in our ranks who will now come forward voluntarily and give at least \$5,000 apiece? Are there not forty more each of whom will contribute at least \$2,500? Are there not one hundred more who will give at least \$1,000 apiece? And finally, are there not 1,000 persons who will contribute at least \$1,000 each? If these can be found the great work proposed will be done.

In addition to the debt of \$100,000, the University owes \$35,000 of floating debts. To meet these debts, we appeal to every man, woman and child, to send us at once at least one dollar. The names of these contributors will be entered in a book provided for this purpose, and will be published in THE STANDARD.

Don't stop to criticise our plan, however imperfect you may regard it, but send your contributions great and small, and every dollar shall be strictly applied to the object for which it is designated.

Send the names of the donors; and send the sums contributed in Post Office orders or drafts. All such remittances must be made to Norman T. Gassette, Chairman of the Finance Committee, 120 LaSalle street, Chicago, Ill.

GALUSHA ANDERSON,
President of the University of Chicago, 314 West Monroe street, Chicago, Ill.
Chicago, March 1, 1878.

—We are permitted to use the following as "the 'first gun' of the payment of University debt." We expect to hear it "thunder" after the same fashion "all round the sky." It is, as will be seen by what is said elsewhere, the beginning of the effort to pay the floating debt of the University in donations of one dollar each. Here is the opening gun of the campaign:

We the members of the family of
W. T. SHEERER
have each paid the sum of one dollar towards paying the debts of the
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.
Suste B. Sherer, paid.
Sam. J. Sherer, paid.
W. G. Sherer, paid.
Mrs. W. T. Sherer, paid.
Emma L. Sherer, paid.
Mrs. M. S. Sherer, paid.
Lavens J. Sherer, aged seven years, paid.
May E. Sherer, paid.
Received eight dollars.
J. F. GILLETTE, Treasurer.
Chicago, February 26, '78.

—The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Second Baptist church, in this city, held on Wednesday evening, 27th ult.:

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago have elected to the Presidency of that institution our pastor, the Rev. Galusha Anderson, D.D.; and
WHEREAS, He deems it a call of God to a new field of labor that he cannot decline, and he has therefore resigned the pastorate of this Second Baptist church; therefore.

Resolved, That we hereby accept his resignation.
Resolved, That we fully sympathize with Dr. Anderson in his view of the great importance of the University of Chicago as an educational institution in the Northwest, and we join with our brethren, East and West, in recognizing Dr. Anderson as eminently qualified for the position, and we heartily unite in bidding him God-speed in his new field of labor.

Resolved, That, as we review the work Dr. Anderson has done among us during the past two years, we are thankful to the great head of the church, who brought us together as pastor and people even for so brief a period; for we shall ever remember his plain, concise, and strong presentation of the Word; his faithful and successful labor, in season and out of season, for the extension of God's kingdom in our midst; his tender and earnest remembrance of his people at the throne of divine grace; his cheering and happy presence in our social meetings; and his ready championship of, and strong contending for, the faith once delivered to the saints.

Resolved, That it is with great reluctance that, in thus accepting this resignation, we perform this final act in severing the ties that have united us together in so pleasant a relation, and, wherever in God's providence brother Anderson's lot may be cast, he bears with him our best wishes for his prosperity, our kindest remembrance of him as a noble Christian man, and our fervent prayers for his continued success.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the church, and that an engrossed copy thereof be presented to brother Anderson.

The cordial expressions of good-will toward the University in these resolutions are the more gratifying, as it is so well understood what a severe trial it is to the church to yield its pastor to the new service which he now enters. The admirable spirit in every part of the resolutions will be appreciated throughout the denomination.

—The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of students of the Theological Seminary, held on Friday evening of last week:

WHEREAS, The Rev. Galusha Anderson, D.D., has given instruction to the students of this institution during the past two years in church polity, pastoral duties and homiletics to our great satisfaction and benefit; therefore,
Resolved, That we hereby tender him our most sincere and hearty thanks for his labor of love. We have learned to appreciate him very highly for his noble Christian character, scholarly attainments and rare ability as a teacher.

Resolved, That we regard his acceptance of the presidency of the University of Chicago at this crisis in its history, as an event full of hope for that important institution and a great gain to the course of higher education in the West. We shall esteem it a privilege, so far as it may be in our power, to co-operate with him in his great work. In behalf of the students of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Morgan Park, Ill.,
H. L. STETSON,
J. K. WHEELER, } Com.
J. R. EDWARDS,

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James Robinson Boise, Norman T. Gassette, Sarah Goodyear Boise, Amelia L. Gassette, (of precious memory), Isabella J. Gassette, Nathan Enselbus Wood, Cornie B. Gassette, Alice R. Boise Wood, Wirt K. Gassette, Nathan Robinson Wood, Grace Gassette, Reuben Sumner Wood, Galusha Anderson, Esther H. Boise, Reuben Gresham Bush, Frederick L. Anderson, Clarissa G. Boise Bush, Elbridge G. Anderson, Louis James Bush, Lucy C. Anderson, T. J. Morgan, Mary F. Anderson, Mrs. T. J. Morgan, Norman K. Anderson, Freddie Starr Morgan, O. W. Barrett, W. W. Ever's, Mrs. W. W. Everts, Clarence Smith, Gracie Smith, Mrs. E. E. Dickerson, J. A. Dickerson, Gracie Dickerson, J. S. Dickerson, J. A. Smith, Mrs. J. A. Smith, Harry J. Smith, Frank S. Smith, Mrs. Frank S. Smith, Katie A. Smith, T. W. Goodspeed, Mrs. M. E. Goodspeed, Charley Goodspeed, Edgar Goodspeed,
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Teachers, Fourth Baptist Church.

John Tyler, Mrs. W. T. Sherer, Mrs. E. Tyler, Mrs. L. McEnroth, John Kintzie, M. E. Holton, H. R. Kipp, Mrs. R. R. Donnelly, William Powell, Theodore Lemen, Mrs. S. T. Hendrickson, Mr. Bruce, Frederick Wells, J. B. Hall, Samuel Burrows, Mrs. J. B. Hall, Miss Sarah Barrows, William G. Sherer, W. B. Powell, Miss Nellie Bates, D. B. Cheney, Jr., Miss George.

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J. F. GILLETTE, Treasurer.
Address all communications to Norman T. Gassette, Chairman of Finance Committee, University of Chicago, 120 LaSalle street, Chicago.

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Wisconsin.

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O. W. BARRETT, Secretary.

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New York.

H. H. Lampert, New York City.
Grange Sard, Jr., Albany.
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Mrs. Maria Brayton (79 years old),
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Charles Button, Marquette.
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Address all communications to Norman T. Gassette, Chairman of Finance Committee, University of Chicago, 120 LaSalle street, Chicago.
O. W. BARRETT, Secretary.
P. S.—Gore Griffith Johnson, in the first list of names, published two weeks since, should have been Gore Griffith Johnson. In the list last week, Winchell Fay Bacon should have read Winchell Fay Barber.

For the University.

It is believed not amiss to publish the following, as samples of letters received by the Finance Committee of the University:

NORMAN T. GASSETTE—My Dear Sir: I rejoice in the "Plan," the President, and the prospects of the college. Enclosed one dollar.
E. P. FARNHAM.
Providence, R. I., March 20.

NORMAN T. GASSETTE, Chairman—Dear Sir: Enclosed please find \$5.00 for the University of Chicago; four dollars from Mrs. Maria Brayton (Grandma, 79 years old), and one dollar from yours, etc.,
MARIA SAWIN BIRD.
Jefferson, Wis., March 18.

MR. GASSETTE: I will send you twenty-five cents for myself and twenty-five cents for my little sister Florence. She is two years old and I am seven years old. I hope you will get something from all the little boys and girls. Papa says I can go to school at the University when I get big.
CHARLIE C. MARSTON.
Norwood Park, March 19.

Good for Charlie. There is this nice thing about the Dollar Roll; it is a chance for everybody to help. And everybody is going to help.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Many readers of THE STANDARD are giving unusual attention just now to this school of higher learning. In the hope of increasing their attention I wish to say a few words through its columns. In an address that I delivered at the Illinois anniversaries last fall I said, among other things, that the university had passed under a new administration, and that as an evidence of this, I had been asked to accept the vacant chancellorship, to lead in this new departure. I farther said that it was by no means certain that I should accept the trust; but in case of my declining a better man would doubtless be found. It now appears that in this I promised better than I knew at the time. I declined mainly for the reason that the way

could not be prepared for doing the work to which I was called with any hope of success. Since then the way has been prepared, and Dr. Anderson as president of the

university has entered upon the work which I was asked as chancellor to do. That he can do a better work as president than I could have done as chancellor admits of no doubt. It afforded me great pleasure to offer the resolutions that abolished the elective chancellorship and assigned the duties to the president; resolutions that were unanimously adopted by the trustees. Dr. Anderson needs no commendation, for he is widely known, and honored and beloved by all who know him; but he does need the active, earnest, persistent co-operation of the pastors and members of all our churches. So far as my request can avail, I earnestly ask that this co-operation may be given him.

Many readers of THE STANDARD have received or will soon receive circulars in the interests of the university. These circulars bear the names of the Finance Committee. It may be of interest to know that two of this committee are members of the First Baptist church in this city, two of the Second church and one of the Fourth church. These five men represent a large aggregate and variety of business and of business talent. They will be largely represented in the effort to pay the debts of the university and secure an endowment. They have also given for months past, and some of them are now giving, a very large amount of time and hard work to this enterprise; working while many who will read this article are asleep. They do this purely as a labor of love, with no expectation of present or future pecuniary reward. They are putting into it the enthusiasm, tact and energy which they put into their own business. These men are worthy of a generous confidence and of earnest co-operation. They have taken hold of the work with a zeal and devotion that deserve success. Reader, give them your confidence; lay aside your past distrust; respond to their circulars; send in your dollar for the Dollar Roll; if you are owing a note or a subscription make a special effort now to pay it; or if you cannot pay the whole, pay a part; if you cannot do that, renew the note and fix a time when you will pay it; or if that is beyond your power, write to the Committee at once and tell them the facts in the case. They will treat you kindly and honorably. Confide in them; ask your brethren and friends to confide in them; and join with them, Dr. Anderson and others who are at work for the university in a simultaneous and general movement all along the line, now to lift it out of its embarrassments and place it on an enduring foundation.

D. B. CHENEY.
Chicago, Nov. 23 1887.

AN EARNEST WORD TO PASTORS.
March 28/78
Many of the pastors of our churches have given me their hearty assurances, that they will cheerfully sustain me, in the great and difficult work of extricating our University from its present embarrassments. Permit me to thank them, from the bottom of my heart, for

their words of cheer and hope. If good wishes would pay the debts of the University, the debts would be squared within ten days; but good wishes to be effective must lead to real and hard work. The pastors are our leaders. Whatever they, in the fear of God, determine to do, will be accomplished. Before us all, God has placed the grand opportunity of putting on a solid, secure foundation an institution of sound, Christian learning.

The most difficult thing with which we have to deal is the debt of the University. But since the Insurance Company has reduced the debt \$74,000 a mighty inducement is held out to us to pay, within a year, the remaining \$100,000. We shall be recreant to our trust if we fail so to do. Is that putting it too strong? We have besides the \$100,000, \$35,000 of floating debts. Now can we meet all this? We certainly can if we have a mind to work. If every Baptist in Illinois alone should pay two cents per week to this object, the amount would be more than \$60,000 in a year; that, with the larger subscriptions gathered, would sweep off all our debts. But tens of thousands of Baptists in all the surrounding states are, or should be, ready to help us, at least in small sums. We are asking everybody to give at least one dollar during the year. Some may not be able to give more than fifty or twenty-five cents. Many others can give from one to twenty dollars. It all who can give these small sums would do it promptly, this great mountain of debt would soon disappear. What a glory it would be to us, if we could say, on some day not far distant, the Baptists of the great Northwest,—to say nothing of the Baptists of the East who have so warmly commended this enterprise,—have paid the entire debt of the University! And above all what a glory it would be to our common Lord! Let us do this.

Will not the pastors of our churches bring this great object before their congregations? Will they not gather up these small sums which all can pay, and forward them to us? Let us for the glory of our Saviour, do this mighty work and do it quickly. We need the help now.

Our Finance Committee, made up of the truest and noblest of men, is working day and night,—I use no figure of speech—to accomplish this great undertaking. Every dollar sent helps them on to victory. Let me ask,—I wish you knew with what earnestness—pastors, superintendents of Sunday-schools, church clerks, and all who have received circulars from the Finance Committee, to respond to them at your earliest convenience. You that have not received them, don't wait for them, but send what you can, at once, to Norman T. Gassette, Chairman of the Finance Committee, 120 LaSalle St., Chicago.

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President University of Chicago.
314 West Monroe St., Chicago.

We give the University of Chicago, this week, full opportunity to speak for itself. It may need such opportunity often in months to come, and we are sure readers of THE STANDARD will justify us in opening the door wide.



SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1878.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

As is well known, the late Senator Douglas offered a valuable piece of land in the southern part of our city to any person, corporation or denomination that would erect suitable buildings upon it, and open and maintain an institution of learning to be called "The University of Chicago." In this act Mr. Douglas exhibited his usual large-hearted enterprise and admirable foresight. He saw that Chicago was destined in the near future to be not only the commercial mart and material emporium of the whole West and Northwest, but also its intellectual and educational center as well. And while there was no lack of preparation to meet and supply these material necessities and demands, the intellectual and educational progress was comparatively unprovided for. And hence this munificent gift of valuable land property just alluded to.

It is also well known that Dr. J. C. Burroughs and others accepted this gift in behalf of the Baptist denomination, who caused the present buildings to be erected, obtained the necessary charter and legislation from the State, and opened the school or college under the name by which it is now called. The school has been in operation about fifteen years, with varying success. Many of its graduates have risen to positions of eminence, while others form the solid and substantial citizens of many a Western town and city, besides our own.

From the first the university has been badly crippled for want of funds. For many reasons the wealthier people of this city have never given this institution the aid and encouragement which its necessities demanded, or its merits warranted. Perhaps lack of confidence in its management had something to do with it. Denominational prejudice also contributed to the general neglect. And so, as a natural consequence, the institution has become badly involved in debt, and has been compelled to maintain a precarious existence, instead of boldly flourishing as it ought to do and has a genuine right to do.

Recently, however, there has been a complete change in the management of this institution, and a determined effort is about to be made to relieve it of its financial embarrassment. It is true, the times are unpropitious, but it is felt that such a property is worth saving, and such an educational opportunity worth improving. Formerly it was a

kind of double-headed college; that is, it had a Chancellor and a President, with separate yet interlocking spheres of activity. Now the Chancellorship has been abolished, and the entire executive control placed in the hands of the President alone; which move will at once take away much friction and prevent the clashing of rival yet identical interests.

The man now elected to fill the President's chair is Rev. Dr. Galusha Anderson, formerly pastor of the Second Baptist Church in this city. He is a man in the ripe fullness and maturity of mental and bodily vigor. He is also an experienced educator, besides being a thorough scholar. He is acquainted with Western life and methods of thinking. He has something of the push and boldness which always characterize a wide-awake and go-ahead man. His power of grasping fundamental principles and presenting these to other minds is unusual. He is gifted with a large, clear brain, indomitable energy and will, and resoluteness of purpose and feeling. While a Baptist by conviction, he is neither a bigot nor a sectarian in any objectionable sense, but would be more correctly described as a candid, broad, cultured Christian gentleman.

There is, therefore, now another capital opportunity for all our citizens, as well as for all friends of education throughout the State, to build up a university which shall be an honor to the city and to the entire West. The foundations are firmly established, the nucleus is compact and tangible, and all that is needed to give Chicago a college which will rank with her other institutions and enterprises, is adequate and proper endowment.

UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

- Asa Bailey, Chas. E. Boynton, Lyman Baldwin, Mrs. Isabella Robison, Benj. T. Hill, Wm. Patterson, Wm. H. Sarg, Jas. Cultus, Miss Anna Spoehale, Rev. D. T. Morrill, Mrs. A. L. Morrill, G. L. Morrill, D. T. Morrill, Jr., F. E. Morgan, Annie T. Morgan, Jesse Clement, Mrs. Clement, Ernest Clement, Clarence Clement, Thos. Drew, Mrs. Robt. Harris, W. H. Peck, Eliza A. Peck, W. H. Peck, Jr., Ethelbert W. Peck, Dr. Eugene L. Atwood, Mrs. L. Atwood, Hannah L. Liscomb, Luke S. Chase, Mrs. M. J. Chase, Mrs. E. A. Goodyear, Wm. J. Warren, Jno. H. Hill, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Anderson, Charles F. Anderson, Mrs. Ann Hendrickson, Mrs. F. C. Bice, Cornelia Bice, Charles Bice, Wm. M. Ege, Wm. G. Thompson, Mary D. Thompson, Margaret F. Thompson, Abbie F. Thompson, Hattie Thompson, Clayton Mays, H. J. Griffith.

The Seminary Junior Class

We, the undersigned, subscribe our names to the University Dollar Roll as a token of our high and affectionate regard for Dr. Anderson, and of our sympathy with the University, to the presidency of which he has been elected.
M. N. Akers, C. A. McManis, J. Mountain, R. L. Olds, S. A. Orcutt, Mrs. S. A. Orcutt, R. C. Ray, J. K. Ray, E. G. Sage, Miss W. J. Sage, F. M. Smith, J. J. Vaughn, J. L. Wolfe, J. W. Weddell.
Received payment on the above, J. F. GILLETTE, Treasurer.
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CHICAGO.

The University.—We have seen the receipt of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, for the first payment of \$5,000 upon the \$100,000 which is to discharge the debt of the University to that company. It was a good thing to see.

UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

- Dakota.
Mrs. A. J. Davis, Yankton.
Mrs. W. G. Bowen, Yankton.
Wisconsin.
Mrs. Ella R. Burrall, Sheridan.
Illinois.
Rev. F. M. Smith, Mrs. F. M. Smith, M. Boomer, Lizzie Finlayson, Gertrude Pickering, Mary Pickering, C. Beck, J. H. McVieker, (\$5) Mrs. C. A. Henry, Mrs. Burslette, Mrs. H. H. Duval, Chas. J. Sundell, Rev. Edwin H. Bronson, Mrs. W. A. Bronson, Miss Frances A. Bronson, Miss Nellie Bronson, Mary E. Hurlbut, Mrs. L. C. Clark, L. R. Brown, D. Thompson, E. Nelson Blake, Mrs. E. Nelson Blake, Miss Mabel E. Blake, E. Nelson Blake, Jr., Lema Elizabeth Blake, (in memoriam), Wm. Lawrence, Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence, Mary E. Aitken, L. F. Regan, Rev. W. W. Regan, Jno. F. Alps, Michael Tate, Mrs. Margaret Tate, Philip Runyan, Anna E. S. Runyan, Mrs. E. S. Runyan, Esther H. Runyan, Lizzie J. Runyan, W. H. Blackley, Mrs. A. E. Tryon, Mrs. E. S. Evans, Kate Ferguson, Marion Ferguson, M. D. Williams, Mrs. Mattie L. Williams, Robt. Edgren, Julia Edgren, Noah H. Harlan, P. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, John Brown, Sam'l S. Stillwell, Mrs. Sarah A. Stillwell, R. M. Smith, Mrs. Smith, Hattie Smith, Mrs. Dilly Winter, (widow's mite), Two members of the Second church, Chicago, who have contributed each one dollar, particularly request that their names may not be published.
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THE UNIVERSITY.

It gives me great pleasure to say to all interested in the prosperity of the University of Chicago, that the heavens above it are daily brightening. No man who stops for a moment to reflect on the subject can doubt for an instant the transcendent importance of establishing, on a broad and liberal foundation, an institution of Christian learning in this great commercial and railroad center. But there are some, who, while they acknowledge its importance, excuse themselves from giving on the ground that they are not yet quite sure that our present effort will be a success. But suppose that all should take that ground; then of course nothing would be contributed, and we should be doomed to failure from the start. But let every one give who will, and give promptly, and this will insure that success which will render the most timid and hesitating ready to give and give liberally. We all like to help a successful thing. From my point of view, success seems to me to be certainly dawning on this sorely tried institution of learning.

Then I have met with some who will give if their gifts, with others, will certainly cancel the debt of the University. All right, I wish that I could find twenty men who would give \$5,000 apiece, or one hundred men who would give \$1,000 each on the condition that the debt shall be cancelled. We do not object to this condition. We intend to pay this debt. We are doing straight, honest work; and if all will help according to their ability we shall pay all our debts quickly. Brethren, will you do this?
GALUSHA ANDERSON,
President University of Chicago.

UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

- California.
Alex. Benham, Rev. I. S. Kalkock.
Wisconsin.
Mrs. J. Scott.
Michigan.
Miss May Waterbury, Mrs. M. L. Atkinson, Miss Della Waterbury, Mrs. M. D. Bruby, Miss Flora Hart, Mrs. M. Borchard, Clarence H. Hart, A. Kilsworth, Alvin L. Hart, Mrs. A. Ellsworth, J. N. Mead.
Illinois.
Dr. Jno. H. Burchmore, Maria L. Barnes, Cyrus Ashley, Julia A. Barnes, E. J. Ives, Emma M. Barnes, Rebecca M. Ives, Edwin A. Barnes, Miss Josie Ives, Ora E. Barnes, J. W. Carhart, Cordeila Jolliff, Mrs. Carhart, A. F. Weinberger, Miss L. P. Baker, Mrs. C. P. Rankin, Miss M. A. Baker, Josiah Dillingham, H. E. Crosby, Mrs. Geo. Ryan, Mrs. Lydia Phillips, Miss Eunice Crosby, Hattie Phillips, C. C. Kohlsaat, Annie May Phillips, Mrs. Kohlsaat, Welcome Garvin, Miss Edith Kohlsaat, James L. Garvin, F. C. Schays, Mary E. Garvin, Mrs. Schays, R. A. Loveland, Edwin B. Schays, D. K. Loveland, Carrie W. Schays, Miss L. M. Loveland, Hattie Gray, Ralph E. Loveland, F. W. Griffin, Nelson H., Miss Louise Houghton, Mrs. Sophia A. Hoyt, Geo. T. Williams, Maggie Lockey, (orphan girl, to years old), Mrs. Williams, Rev. O. F. Bestor, Nellie J. Williams, Mrs. E. L. Bestor, Frank L. Williams, Mrs. M. J. Wiley, Grant Williams, Geo. Snooks.

Geo. Stewart Williams, Washington Leveritt, Thos. Rookhey, Daniel E. Hughes, Chas. H. Wilber, Mrs. Hughes, L. C. Conover, Frank J. Hughes, Henry Rivenburg, David L. Hughes, Hannah Rivenburg, S. Jennie Hughes, R. H. Fish, Jas. T. Plumsted, Wm. B. Race, Mrs. Plumsted, Mrs. Louisa M. Race, Jas. M. S. Plumsted, Mrs. M. Foster, Miss May S. Plumsted, Miss E. Foster, Rev. J. O. Metcalf, Geo. B. Foster, (\$5.00), Mrs. R. C. Metcalf, S. P. Shaw, Mrs. Hart, C. S. Boynton, Miss Lizzie J. Hamlin, Mrs. Chas. Boynton, Robt. B. Johnson, Miss Ella Boynton, Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Christopher Shafter, Mary H. Seofield, Elizabeth Shafter, Alonzo Barnes, Cobden Colored Mission Baptist church, Cobden, Ill., send their mite.
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Which Dollar?

That is a grand circular sent out by the Financial Committee of the University. It means business, and if pastors will do their part it will ensure success. But I was reminded of the Dollar Roll failure in the centennial movement, and I think the reason of the failure can be accounted for. Every Baptist said, "Of course, I will lay a dollar on the altar of my country during 1876." We spent lots of dollars, and the end came and the precise dollar for the Dollar Roll never got into our pocket-books. Let me suggest a way out. I have pledged the first six of the new silver dollars I get to the University of Chicago, to represent the "Little Hatchet Family." Suppose every reader of THE STANDARD who intends to give a dollar will do this, what a tangible proof it would be of our belief in the beautiful legend engraved on our coin: "In God We Trust." Even the old "E Pluribus Unum" would have new meaning.

Fellow-Baptists, if you haven't a silver dollar as yet, just promise the first to N. T. Gassette. Then send it thus quickly, we'll pay the debt, and get our receipts from J. F. Gillette.
LITTLE HATCHET,
Cherry Tree, Ill., March 27, 1878.

UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

- Iowa.
Mrs. Clara Swartwout.
Indiana.
A. E. Willis, Terre Haute.
Boston, Mass.
John E. DeWitt, Thos. Dana, Geo. A. Meyer, Asa P. Potter, Josiah H. Drummond, Geo. C. Rand, E. C. Fittz, B. R. Seecomb, Joet Goldthwait, Daniel Sharp, K. B. Fuller, J. P. Townsend.
Illinois.
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Mrs. S. M. Gleason, L. A. Trowbridge, E. Stone, J. H. Kirkham, Children of Danish Mission of 2d Bap. ch. (\$5.50) S. C. Allen, W. W. Wait, Mrs. W. W. Wait, H. G. Wait, Miss M. L. Wait, Miss A. L. Wait, Thomas White, Mrs. C. N. Holden, Edward Loder, W. H. Brooks, S. E. Tyson, A. S. Cutter, Mrs. M. Chakskfield, W. E. Ives, J. S. Evans, F. A. Smith, Mrs. F. A. Smith, P. M. Harper.
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Words of Cheer.

The opening words of Dr. Anderson's communication in THE STANDARD of this date, must greatly encourage all the friends of education in the Baptist denomination throughout the West. If from his point of observation it can be said of the University of Chicago that "the heavens about it are daily brightening," his report as outlook committee can be accepted as cheering and to be relied upon.

It will certainly be a glad day for Western Baptists when our institutions of learning which have for so many years been struggling with debts that threaten their very existence shall be released therefrom, and left unhindered to do their great work. No one will rejoice more over the success of Chicago University in this regard than the many true and tried friends of Shurtleff College.

In this connection it may not be amiss to say that these two institutions are now working to accomplish substantially the same end. The special effort which we are making at the present time is to realize upon the subscriptions secured by the indefatigable efforts of Dr. G. J. Johnson, so that we may pay our debts. During the last two years our debt has been steadily reduced, and we intend to keep at it, hoping by the help of all our friends that it will be completely paid by the close of the year. Dr. Johnson will continue his labors with us, at least until Oct. 1st, with this end in view.

All will understand that subscriptions must not only be made but paid in order that debts may be not only provided for but actually cancelled. We have reached that comfortable but critical stage where we trust our debts are provided for, but we cannot be content until the work is consummated by their payment.

We heartily wish for the university what we are trying to reach for ourselves, a receipt in full for all debts.

A. A. KENDRICK,
President Shurtleff College.
April 13, 1878.

UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

Wisconsin.

M. T. Mason, Milwaukee. *May 2/78*
Virginia.
 W. L. Cowardin, Richmond.
New York.
 H. P. Freeman, Brooklyn.
Kansas.
 E. J. Blood.
Iowa.
 J. R. Maxon, \$5.00.
Minnesota.
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Alex. McKingher, Mrs. Harriet A. Murphy, James Langland, Fred. Knapp, John W. Carroll, E. C. Walker, Charles O. Jensen, J. Lang, Mrs. J. S. Buchanan, Charlotte D. Linn, John R. Ward, E. K. Bird, Mrs. Ann Keeling, George J. Tucker, Joseph Brerly, Mrs. Louis Gulse, J. M. Morse, David Berry, E. H. Bristol, E. Patten, C. H. Marshall, John Suttell, J. Saxton, John Goebel, W. J. Huxtable, Mrs. C. C. Brown, F. M. Hobbs, C. A. Freeman, J. Q. Adams, Jane P. Jacobus, J. A. Lumpkin, Daniel Sower, J. H. Phillips, L. D. Lee, Joseph Butterfield, E. T. Ingalls, A. A. Lemsters, F. B. Ennis, S. W. Faulkner, J. M. Miner, Clara R. Bennett, E. J. Hoskins, Miss C. M. Blake, (Orphan Asylum), Charles T. Roe, Mrs. D. H. Eldred, Miss Charlotte Buttery, Miss Maggie Buttery, Jasper Cook, C. J. Andrews, C. R. Enos, F. Boardman, Mrs. S. Kohlisaat, Miss Bertha Kohlisaat, Miss Eva Kohlisaat, Miss Annie Kohlisaat, Herman H. Kohlisaat, F. C. Pettit, A. S. Thomas, Alvin Adams, E. A. Adams, Mrs. Nancy Hollister, Mrs. J. E. Low, D. R. Morrison.
 W. L. Black, "A Friend," Mrs. W. L. Black, Nathaniel Freeman, Catherine Anderson, J. F. Adkins, James Reddick, M. J. Turner, D. D. C. Hargis, Arthur Parkinson, Isaac McCoy, A. S. Martin, Rev. A. Whitman, Mrs. R. N. Whitman, S. Nevill, M. E. Duke, J. E. Bosler, Miss Agnes J. Hodge, Miss Lexia M. Hodge, E. S. Turner, Mrs. E. S. Turner, Walter E. Turner, Mrs. Turner, L. Holcomb, Mrs. Fauny B. Johnson, G. H. Holler, Miss Orpha Jacobus, Miss Harriet Jacobus, Mary S. Fisher, J. G. Stewart, Mary J. Knowles, Miss Eunice B. Cowlin, John A. Reichelt, Mrs. Pauline Boobier, Mrs. Mary A. Lawrence, Mrs. M. C. Young, Jackson Vaughan, Luther Moore, Mrs. J. A. Fisher, P. M. Packer, C. Watrous, Mrs. C. Watrous, Florence Bell Watrous, Mrs. Kendall, Mrs. N. G. Iglehart, George S. Dennison, Henry Harmon, M. Coffman, Mrs. Saxton, J. Carquerville, W. E. Crumb, Lizzie Baker, John M. Anderson, O. E. Vaughan, Rev. E. W. Hicks, Mrs. Ella M. Hicks, Ira Scofield, William Pryce, Mrs. S. L. Holmes, Miss Grace A. Holmes, A. J. Johnson.
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 *Stillman Valley Baptist church, and more to follow.

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University Place Baptist Church.

G. M. Porter, Ella M. Porter, Fanny Porter, Willie Porter, Bessie Porter, Mrs. Merrifield, A. A. Arnold, Mrs. Arnold, Miss Eva G. Huntington, Wm. Bill, Mrs. M. A. Davenport, In memory of Warren V. Davenport, Charles F. Hobbs, H. H. Belden, C. H. Warren, (A Friend, \$5.), E. A. Beach, Annie S. Beach, Henry L. Beach, Clinton S. Beach, Frances Larned, Mrs. Larned, F. M. Larned, Marion Larned, Emily Larned.

First Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis.

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New York.

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Ohio.

Rev. T. P. Childs, Mrs. T. P. Childs, Frank E. Childs, Abbott E. Childs, Rev. S. B. Pare, D.D., J. H. Green, M.D., Mrs. A. C. Green, Miss Mamie Green.

Mrs. Ola Childs, Master Tom Maxwell, Albert D. Knick, Mrs. Mary E. Knick, Rortia Knick.

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CLASS-DAY.

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ORATION, Luxury in Worship, CYRUS BENJAMIN ALLEN, Lebanon, Ind.

ORATION, "Le Grand Monarque," *WILLIS LYMAN BLAC, Elgin.

ORATION, Misrepresentation by the Press, *HENRY THOMAS DUFFIEL, Pittsfield.

ORATION, Italian Unity, CHARLES E, Cordova.

ORATION, The Demand for Searching Thought, ELI BENJAMIN FELSENTHA, Chicago.

MUSIC, "O, Wert Thou in the Cauld Blast," KUCHEN.

ORATION, Advance of Public Opinion, JAMES STANTIAL FORWAR, Rockton.

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ORATION, Individual Integrity, WILLIAM RILEY RAYMOND, Chicago.

MUSIC, "In May Time," BAILEY.

ORATION, Satire, an Instrument of Reform, JOHN DAVIS SEATON RIGGS, Rockford.

ORATION, Music and Thought, THOMAS CONANT RONEY, Chicago.

ORATION, The Universal Ballot, *NATHANIEL JOEL ROWELL, Joliet.

ORATION, International Intercourse, *JAMES SUMMERS, Afton, Iowa.

ORATION, Woman's Era, JOHN RILEY WINDES, Apple Grove, Ala.

MUSIC, "Come in the Stilly Night," WENDLING.

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BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

We alluded briefly, last week, to the baccalaureate sermon of President Anderson, delivered at the University Place Baptist church, on Sabbath morning, June 25. Dr. Anderson's text was in Proverbs 25: "Let thine eyes look right on, and thine eyelids look straight before thee." The subject was the value of moral principle in active life. This was shown in fact that a life ruled by principle assures the highest and truest success, that it reveals what is noblest in character, that it secures the approval of conscience, the approval of God. The difficulties encountered by one who begins his life with a determination to be ruled by principle, not by impulse or by the mere selfishness, were shown to be the threshold of his career, and over that point, are comparatively little dreaded afterwards. Among these he desire so natural, and with too so controlling, to attain speedy suc-

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E. B. MEREDITH.
La Marsellaise,
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A Plea for the English,
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Conflict of Ideas,
C. N. PATTERSON.
Limits to Freedom,
J. D. RUSSELL.
Power of a Noble Purpose,
W. J. WATSON.
Moral Domination,
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CLASS-DAY.

The seniors indulged in the usual Class-Day exercises on Wednesday afternoon, on the university grounds. Excellent arrangements had been made, and a large assemblage gathered to enjoy the "doings" of the occasion. The class having met in the society-room in the building, formed in procession and marched to the platform erected near by, led by Mr. Allen, President of the class, bearing the memorial hatchet, and escorted by Maj. Nevins Band, which played the march of 1878, composed by T. C. Roney, one of the class.

On the grounds the exercises were opened with an address by C. B. Allen, Jr., the President, who in a few well-chosen words, welcomed the audience, and then proceeded to give a history of the class, and the work which it had accomplished. He then spoke of the pending entertainment as foreshadowed by the programme. H. E. Fuller then read the class-poem, which was of more than usual merit. The "Class History," by F. A. Helmer, read by J. D. S. Riggs, and the "Bene Oration," by J. S. Forward, constituted the humorous part of this portion of the programme. E. B. Felsenthal read a very excellent "Class-Paper," and the "Class Oration," by W. R. Raymond was really a fine production, well delivered.

The "Class-Song," by T. C. Roney, was one of the best things of the occasion. The following are the first two verses:

"Comrades in a noble strife,
Comrades in a strife laborious,
Comrades in a strife victorious,
Ye have battled long.

"In the glow of youthful life,
Now we hail this conflict ended,
Now let all, with voices blended,
Raise the triumphant song."

"The Class Prophecy," by N. J. Rowell, was varied by the introduction of humorous cartoons, representing, in rather an exaggerated form, each member of the class, which were exhibited to the audience as the horoscope of each was unfolded. An address of welcome from the alumni, by Rev. J. T. Sunderland, followed, to which T. C. Roney responded. The valedictory, by J. D. S. Riggs was eloquent and touching. The "Farewell Song," by C. B. Allen, Jr., closed the exercises. We give the first verse and chorus:

"Come, Class-mates, sing a parting song to our old college home,
Our college days are ended now and we afar most roam,
And Alma Mater's cherished sons now bear the

ringing call
Formen to fill the place of men who in life's
conflict fall.

"CHORUS:—

O, dear old home,
Though far from thee we roam,
We'll love thee yet
We'll ne'er forget
Old '73 and home."

The exercises were interspersed with music by the band, and much of the usual rather questionable nonsense was wanting. "Class-Day" was pronounced a decided success.

ALUMNI ADDRESSES.

The alumni met for their annual public meeting on Wednesday evening, at the Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Clark and Washington streets. Prayer at the opening was offered by Rev. J. L. Jackson, of Aurora. Mr. Ferd W. Peck, of this city, President of the Alumni Association, was in the chair. The music of the occasion was furnished by the Chicago Quartet.

Mr. Peck, before introducing the first speaker, welcomed the audience in a few graceful remarks. He then introduced Mr. George C. Ingham, who read a paper upon the subject, "A Plea for Sectarian Colleges." In treating his subject, Mr. Ingham sketched quite freely the aims of good education in general, emphasizing those which are practical, and which fit men for the earnest work of life. The value of the sectarian or denominational college was shown to be in the fact that it represents positive religious belief. The tendencies of the age toward negations in religion were fitly characterized and condemned, while it was urged that in the college which represents some form of religious faith the student finds himself surrounded by an atmosphere of intensity which tends to foster in him convictions of those eternal realities in view of which men ought to live and do their work. Mr. Ingham graduated at the university five or six years since. Some of those present on that occasion still remember his fine oration, and are glad to know that in his chosen profession, the law, he is realizing the promise of a successful career which his friends then were so glad to see.

The oration was by Rev. J. T. Sunderland, of this city, and his subject, "Public Duties and Responsibilities of Educated Men." Among the questions, in this age, which press upon educated men for solution were mentioned the purification of politics, the relations of capital and labor, the maintenance of the public schools, and the building "in habit, life, politics, religion, the bridge over which the race must pass from the present to the future." As to the schools, the speaker deprecated any further agitation of the question of Bible-reading there. As to matters of faith he held that men should believe in both old and new, be alike conservative and progressive.

THE COMMENCEMENT.

The graduating class, this year, numbered sixteen. Their orations were delivered on Thursday afternoon at Farwell Hall, the exercises commencing at two o'clock. It was, we think, the largest audience we have ever seen at a commencement

ment of this university. Most acceptable weeks of careful reading up in a literary music, on the occasion, was furnished by direction, reviewing thus some of the the Chicago City Quartet. Prayer having ground gone over in his course and utilized been offered by Rev. Dr. Kittredge, of the Third Presbyterian church of this city, the orations were delivered, as follows:

Luxury in Worship,
CYRUS BENJAMIN ALLEN, JR.
Italian Unity,
CHARLES EGE.
The Demand for Searching Thought,
ELI BENJAMIN FELSETHAL.
Absence of Public Opinion,
JAMES FORWARD.
The Modern Reformer,
HENRY EDGAR FULLER.
Individual Integrity,
WILLIAM RILEY RAYMOND.
Satire an Instrument of Reform,
JOHN DAVIS SEATON RIGGS.
Music and Thought,
THOMAS CONANT RONEY.
Woman's Era,
JOHN RILEY WINDES.

The degrees conferred were the following:

Degree of A. B. in Course—Cyrus Benjamin Allen, Jr., Charles Ege, Eli Benjamin Felse-

thal, James Stantial Forward, Henry Edgar Fuller, Frank Ambrose Helmer, Benjamin Franklin Pratt, William Riley Raymond, John Davis Seaton Riggs, Thomas Conant Roney, James Summers, John Riley Windes.
Degree of B. S. in Course—Willis Lyman Black, Henry Thomas Duffield, William Arthur Gardner, Nathaniel Joel Rowell.
Degree of M. A. in Course—Bogannau, Renben Gresham Bush, Herbert Augustus Howe, Charles Wheeler Nicholes, John Frederick Ridlon, Jonathan Staley, Lyman Murray Trumbull, Richard Benton Twiss.
Degree of M. S. in Course—Arthur Hugunin, Sidney Solomon Niles, William Rufus Roney. Graduates of the Law School were also announced as receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. O. B. Stone, of Bloomington, Ill., and Rev. W. J. Hunter, of Toronto, formerly an Episcopal clergyman in this city.

The natural impulse to speak kindly of the orations of a graduating class, and to forbear criticism, it would seem, may properly be indulged on occasions like this. One naturally feels a peculiar interest in young men just completing their course of collegiate study, and embarking in a new career. Nor is it fair to test them by standards which are just and necessary in the case of men who have become habituated to intellectual exercise and are trained in the arts of public speaking. At the same time, it is not to be inferred, from the absence of unfavorable comment, that no occasions of criticism are observed. The general impressions left by the exercises of the occasion now noticed were in a very high degree favorable, with fewer exceptions to the general verdict of praise than is perhaps usually the case. The self-possession and manly bearing of the speakers was remarked upon, with the general justice of their thought and the accuracy of expression. Save in two or three unimportant instances, the orations were fluently delivered, with excellent and forcible enunciation. We have the same criticism to make, as last year, in regard to the range of topics. It was, we happen to know, the earnest desire of the professor that more subjects of a literary character should be chosen. It is natural, no doubt, for young men, preparing for such an occasion, to prefer the topics which they feel they can handle to best advantage; yet we may be allowed to say that there is benefit to the student himself, apart from the freshness of interest thus made more sure, in taking some subject which might give him occasion for even

Dr. Anderson's address to the graduating class was most excellent. We must forbear anything like a report. Such addresses are not altogether an easy thing to do. There is considerable limitation of topic, and no little difficulty in saying over again what commencement audiences have many times heard so as that it shall be fresh, pungent, and effective. Dr. Anderson succeeded admirably. His address cannot have failed to kindle the enthusiasm, not only of the class, but of the whole body of students, for downright, honest work, whether in the line of self-culture, or in that of doing with the might, everywhere and always, what the hands find to do.

THE ALUMNI AGAIN.

The alumni met for their business meeting at the Tremont House, at five o'clock. We shall best report their doings by copying the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this association proceed to raise by cash subscriptions among its members the sum of \$2,000, to be turned over to the University and applied by the trustees upon the payment of the bonded debt of the University, and that a committee of three be appointed, consisting of Fred. Perry Powers, Prof. Edward Olson, and the Rev. E. O. Taylor, to take the matter in charge; collect the money, and turn it over to the Treasurer of the University.
Resolved, That the Alumni Association hereby puts on record its belief that the University of Chicago is no denominational propaganda, but an institution of good learning, under general Christian influences, worthy the assistance of all friends of higher education, and without any sectional biases that afford any person not a Baptist any reason for withholding aid from it. The Baptist denomination does not use the University to teach its peculiar doctrines, and it shares the management of the institution with persons of other faiths. We, its graduates, commend the institution as one broad enough for all.

The elections for the ensuing year were as follows:

President, Ferd. W. Peck, '68; Vice President, E. O. Taylor, '68; Secretary, Jay G. Davidson, '72; Treasurer, E. L. Jayne, '73; Orator, Joseph Rowley, '65; Alternate, G. M. Lambertson, '72; Essayist, Miss Jessie Fremont Walte, '77; Alternate, James M. Coon, '69; Historian, O. C. Weiler, '73; Alternate, H. B. Mitchell, '76; Toast Master, W. L. Pierce, '65.

The Executive Committee are Frederick A. Smith, Charles R. Calkins, and George C. Ingham. Business finished, the company proceeded to the dining-hall, where the alumni dinner was served. Speeches followed the dinner, by Dr. Anderson, Dr. Burroughs, Mr. Windes, of the graduating class, Prof. Bastin, Mr. Booth, Mr. First, Prof. Olson, Mr. Ridlon, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. Sunderland. A crowd of friends met President Anderson at his reception later in the evening, and thus closed the twentieth commencement of the University of Chicago.

THE TRUSTEES.

The annual meeting of the Trustees was held on Wednesday afternoon at the Uni-

versity, Hon. J. Y. Scammon presiding. A good deal of important business was done, of which we have only space to mention a few particulars. In the faculty, some changes are made. Prof. E. F. Stearns is transferred from the headship of the Preparatory Department to the adjunct professorship of Latin; Prof. Edward Olson from the professorship of Modern Languages to the adjunct professorship of Greek. Dr. P. J. Williams, of Ottawa, Kansas, was elected Principal of the Preparatory Department, and Prof. J. W. Stearns, LL.D., formerly Professor of Latin in the University, more recently President of a Normal School in South America, was elected Professor of Rhetoric, English Literature and History. Prof. W. E. Olds, Principal of the Free Academy, Albany, N. Y., was elected Professor of Chemistry and Physics, to enter upon service at the end of a year from the present time, the intermediate year being spent in Europe, in scientific studies. In the election of officers

of the Board, Hon. Thomas Hoyne, LL.D., was chosen President, Robert Harris, Esq., First Vice-President, and Hon. J. F. Bonfield, Second Vice-President. The other officers remain as before. Hon. N. K. Fairbanks, of this city, was chosen to fill a vacancy in the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Scammon, who, as First Vice-President, has for many years been almost constantly called to preside, owing to the absence and finally the death of Hon. W. B. Ogden, the President, declining a re-election, the Board adopted unanimously the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Hon. J. Y. Scammon, who for so many years has served the Board in the office of First Vice-President, and who by peculiar circumstances has been so often called upon to preside, having declined a re-election, we wish, as a board, to express our high estimate of the value of his services, and to thank him for the invariable courtesy he has shown as our presiding officer.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Address of the Alumni Committee.

MEMBERS OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION: At a meeting of the Alumni Literary Club held at the University, the first Monday evening of April, 1878, President Anderson, of the University, made a statement regarding the indebtedness of the institution, and the efforts he was making to raise funds for its liquidation. He desired a committee appointed to make an appeal to the alumni to assist him in his undertaking. In accordance with this suggestion a committee was appointed, consisting of Frederick A. Smith, Jay G. Davidson and Fred. Perry Powers.

This committee calls your attention to the following facts: The bonded debt of the university is \$100,000, it having been reduced to that figure from \$173,000, by the creditors, on condition that it be paid on or about January 1, 1879. On the bonded and floating debts about \$14,000 have been paid.

The simple fact is that the question in the case of the university is whether it shall exist or not. Appeals are being made in every direction, to the liberally disposed, but unless President Anderson receives the hearty co-operation of the graduates, he can with an ill grace ask

help from those who have been in no way benefitted by the institution. The university has now 175 graduates, exclusive of the class of 1878. We have the numbers and the means to show the public whether we esteem our *Alma Mater* or not. The money that we give will not only be welcome in itself, but it will bring in other money. If the university cannot command the assistance of its graduates, it can not with much confidence appeal to non-graduates for help.

The committee believes that an average contribution of ten dollars from each member of the alumni association within the next thirty days is perfectly feasible, would be an important relief to the treasury and a vast encouragement to President Anderson and the finance committee. The payment of \$2,000 within a month by the graduates would be more welcome than an equal sum from any other source, because it would be a testimonial on the part of her sons to the *Alma Mater*, and would give strangers to the institution that assurance of its worth that would dispose them also to help it out of its difficulties.

We recognize the fact that some graduates could not give ten dollars each, but we are also well aware that many of the graduates are well established in business and the professions, and could easily give more than ten dollars for any object that awakened their interest. We have many who could give twenty-five dollars and some who could give one hundred dollars without inconvenience. But we do not appeal to you to give what is convenient. This is a matter of life and death with the university, and we appeal to you to give a little more than is convenient. We feel that in putting the average at ten dollars we are putting it very low. Taking the alumni altogether their gifts at this time ought to average fifteen dollars, or twenty dollars.

It is a painful fact that among us there is not that *esprit du corps*, that enthusiasm for our *Alma Mater*, that exists among the graduates of most of the colleges. One reason for this lies in the dissensions among the managers. These have occasioned a division of sentiment, and some hard feelings. The war has ceased. The presidency has passed into the hands of a gentleman wholly unconnected with either party, who was not even in this part of the country at the time of the difficulties, and whose character and attainments command the friendship and respect of us all, irrespective of parties. This, then, is the time to forget all that is past, and resolve that if our *Alma Mater* has not the age and distinction to reflect honor on us, we will reflect honor on her, not only by intelligent, ambitious and conscientious work in our various occupations, but by generous co-operation with each other in the assistance of the university.

The committee find the denominational relations of the university urged by some as an excuse for not aiding it, and believe, therefore, that a declaration on this subject, by the alumni, is very desirable. In presenting this subject the committee beg leave to say that two of the three members are not members of the religious body controlling the university. We believe that

the experience of all the graduates satisfies them that while the university is under the charge of the Baptist churches it is not used as an apparatus for the propagation of Baptist tenets, nor even for the propagation of general Christian doctrine, except in that general and indirect way which prevails in very nearly all our colleges, and which should be objectionable to no one. In the faculty, in the body of students, on the board of trustees and among the benefactors of the university are persons of various Christian faiths, and on the board of trustees are persons not representative of any Christian body. While there are devotional exercises daily in the university chapel, and while the influence of members of the faculty is on the side not only of Christianity, but of what is generally termed orthodox Protestant Christianity, yet there is no effort made to influence students in favor of or against any one church or denomination, or to indoctrinate students in one way or another. The University of Chicago is Baptist only as Yale College is Congregational, or Harvard University, Unitarian.

And, furthermore, we believe that irreligion is as much a system as any form of religion is, and that to exclude all religious influence or atmosphere from a college is only to substitute one set of influences which the college throws about its students for another, and not to broaden its management or liberalize its influence.

We recognize the fact also that higher education in this country has been mainly carried on by members of the various religious bodies. We believe that the churches of America, Catholic and Protestant, orthodox and liberal, have an interest in higher education that does not exist outside of religious bodies, and we do not believe that the secularization of colleges having connection with religious bodies, would result to their financial advantage, especially in view of the fact that there is an increasing opposition to maintenance by the State of any schools except those of an elementary character.

There would seem to be, therefore, no reason why the denominational relations of the University of Chicago should be regretted, or why they should be an obstacle to the assistance of the university by any non-Baptists, except those who entertain feelings of hostility to the Baptist faith or to Christianity in general, and setting aside all other considerations, we do not believe that the financial condition of the university would be bettered by turning it over to either of their classes.

The committee believe the foregoing to be a correct statement of the denominational aspect of these matters, and they feel that a declaration to this effect by the graduates of the university, representing various religious bodies, and those who are related to no religious body, would be an act of simple justice to our *Alma Mater*, and would assist in the present effort to relieve it from debt.

The committee desire the alumni association to make a declaration to the effect that our *Alma Mater* is no sectarian propaganda, but is an institution honestly devoted to liberal education, worthy of the support of all friends of liberal education.

broad enough for all whatever may be their attitude regarding religion, and under the presidency of a gentleman to whose ability, candor and attainments we are glad to testify, and to back up such a declaration by as large contributions within thirty days to the pressing necessities of the institution as the circumstances of each graduate will permit. All of which is respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. SMITH,
JAY G. DAVIDSON, Com.
ERED. PERRY POWERS,

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UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

Georgia.
Thomas J. Elmore, Savannah.

New York.
Rev. S. S. Cutting, Mrs. S. S. Cutting.

California.
Rev. Granville S. Abbott, Carl H. Abbott,
Mrs. Basie H. Abbott, Phillip F. Abbott,
Granville D. Abbott.

Massachusetts.

Thos. L. Rogers, Howard M. Rogers,
Ella S. Rogers, Alice May Rogers,
Charles T. Rogers, Mrs. A. Symonds.

Illinois.

Thos. Tait, S. W. Lyman,
Mrs. Tait, Mrs. O. A. Lyman,
Mrs. H. B. Halsted, Mrs. Cella Leland Blake,
W. H. Pendelman, Jr. (25),
Rev. A. N. Bacon, Mrs. T. Hayes,
George W. Hall, Rev. W. G. Inman,
Mrs. Bailey, Rev. T. G. Field,
Rev. S. Knapp, Mrs. Field,
Julia A. Burger, Frank H. Lloyd,
H. A. Jones, O. D. Hawkins,
T. E. Clegg, Rev. Asa Prescott,
Rockwell Sawyer, Rockwell J. Morgan,
Baptist Sunday-school, Thos. Penman,
Kewanee, (24), John Evans,
Rev. R. J. Langridge, Cash,
Mrs. Hannah Langridge, Joe W. Dean,
Miss Edith H. Langridge, Sarah E. Dean,
Mrs. Jane Spratt, Chas. R. Dean,
Howard P. Langridge, Jennie Spratt,
Laura C. Langridge, Mrs. Mary Jenness,
Alice L. Langridge, Miss Emma Jenness,
Rev. M. H. Worrall, Mrs. J. H. C. Gross,
Mrs. Ella Worrall, G. M. Gross,
J. C. Read.

University Place Baptist Church.

A. H. Barber, F. A. Helmer,
Mrs. Barber, Geo. A. Holloway,
Mrs. S. M. Osgood, Mrs. G. A. Holloway,
Carrie L. Osgood, Geo. F. Holloway,
H. H. Brayton, Bertha Holloway,
Mrs. Brayton, Harry C. Holloway,
Florence Brayton, M. T. Baldwin Holloway,
Geo. W. Bell, Frank L. Holloway,
Mrs. Geo. W. Bell.

Received payment on the above,
J. F. GILLETTE, Treasurer.

Address all communications to Norman T. Gassette, Chairman of Finance Committee, University of Chicago, 120 La Salle street, Chicago.

O. W. BARRETT, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

Aug 8/78 Burmah.

Rev. M. Jameson and family, Bassein.

Vermont.

W. Albert Buxton, N. Windham.

Minnesota.

Rev. G. W. Fuller, Litchfield.

New York.

D. S. Dean, Darien, E. M. Dean,
Mrs. D. S. Dean, W. H. Randall,
C. H. Dean.

Wisconsin.

Mrs. J. C. Sherwood, Miss Ella Sherwood,
Miss Jean Sherwood, Miss Lottie Sherwood.

Illinois.

Bristol Sunday-school, S. S. Lathrop,
\$15.50, Elgin Baptist Church,
Miss Julia A. Reese, \$18.65, and more to fol-
low,
Miss Helen L. La Bar, low,
Miss A. R. La Bar, Mrs. S. Trowbridge,
Fred. W. Corliss, L.L.D.

Canton Baptist Church.

Miss Abby West, Charles Dibelbiss,
Mrs. H. H. Orendorf, James Dibelbiss,
A. M. Heald, Miss Addie Smith,
Miss L. E. Thornton, Mrs. Mary T. Thornton,
E. W. West, Mrs. Hunt,
B. H. Moore, J. L. Piper,
G. I. Twineham.

Downer's Grove Sunday-School.

Mrs. A. D. Freeman, Mamie Hough,
Mrs. D. K. Fouts, Homer Seofield,
Mrs. D. W. Green, Harry Thatcher,
Master Guy Green, — Smith,
Miss Julia Green, A. Cole,
Miss Coe Hasing, Cash,
Mrs. Cressy, C. A. Coe,
Mrs. V. H. Whitney, N. K. Whitney,
Mrs. H. Fuller, Saints of the Fold,
Mrs. M. Taylor, Sunday Collection,
Master A. Whitten, Total, \$15.00,
Miss Grace Whitten.

Received payment on the above,
J. F. GILLETTE, Treasurer.

Address all communications to Norman T. Gassette, Chairman of Finance Committee, University of Chicago, 120 La Salle street, Chicago.

A PLAN FOR PAYING THE DEBT OF THE UNIVERSITY.

Most readers of THE STANDARD are aware that when I was called to the Presidency of the University of Chicago, its bonded debt was reduced \$74,000, on condition that the remaining \$100,000 should be paid within one year. The year expires the middle of February next. We have thereafter some days of grace.

In addition to this bonded debt we have about \$40,000 of floating debts. Not to make too fine a point, let us call it \$50,000. So that our present indebtedness is \$150,000. I have divided this into fifteen hundred shares, and I now appeal to every lover of Christian education within our ranks to take one or more of the shares, to be paid on the condition that \$100,000 is raised in good subscriptions. This plan already begins to work out good results. There are many men who stand ready to pledge \$100, one share, on condition that the bonded debt shall be wiped out. Some have taken ten shares, some five, and others two and one. Many of our young men can, and will, take at least one share.

An alumnus of the University told me yesterday that he was sure that several of the alumni would take shares. I wish that there might be a spontaneous uprising among us that would cancel this entire indebtedness within ninety days. Will not those who are disposed to second this movement, send their pledges to me? Every share taken gives the movement great-

er power. To do this grand thing, let us all, if need be, make a little sacrifice. My brethren will remember that I am the only man in the field, and hence I must have their hearty co-operation in order to insure success.

Now, brethren, let us do this. This is feasible. Have we not dilly-dallied long enough? Have we not criticised long enough? In the name of our God, forgetting the past, let us have the victory now.

Dr. Northrup, of the Theological Seminary, has kindly consented to teach a part of the time in the University, so that I can devote all my energies to its financial affairs. And I may add, too, that he takes one of the fifteen hundred shares.

GALUSHA ANDERSON.

Chicago, Nov. 2, 1878.

THE UNIVERSITY DEBT.

We have written a great many articles for this paper, first and last, in behalf of the University of Chicago, and not a few with reference to the debt which has for so long a time crippled its power and hindered its growth. Never have we turned to this subject with so much solicitude, and at the same time so much hope, as now. If the plan for paying the debt proposed by President Anderson last week fails, what plan can be expected to succeed? At the same time, when has a plan so hopeful of success been proposed?

This article will be read, without doubt, by a great many persons who might, without being in any way seriously burdened, take more or less of the shares offered. We come to all such, directly, with the earnest request that without waiting for further solicitation, or for any argument in this behalf, from any quarter, they send their names for such number of shares, of one hundred dollars each, as they feel they can pay without overtaxing their resources, or hindering their benevolence in other directions. This is the business-like, manly, Christian way of doing a thing of this kind. Argument and entreaty ought not to be necessary; it ought to be even an impertinence; it should be safe to assume that the Baptists of the Northwest, now that an opportunity is afforded to solve all problems as connected with the condition and prospects of this institution, will be "ready of themselves."

It will be observed that Dr. Anderson, having been so fortunate as to secure the assistance of Dr. Northrup in the department of instruction in the university, is now to give his whole time and strength to the effort to pay this debt. Why should he not have the united, active, ready co-operation of his brethren, everywhere? Why should it not rain shares during the next three or six months? Brethren, let us be willing, prompt and generous.

THE UNIVERSITY DOLLAR-ROLL.

Dec 3/78 Michigan.

D. H. Lyons,
Mrs. Lyons,
Hattie E. Lyons.

Indiana.

Rev. Albert Henderson, Miss Carrie Henderson,
Mrs. Lorena Henderson, Miss Maud Henderson,
Miss Annie Henderson, Rev. C. R. Hindman,
Rev. C. R. Henderson.

Wisconsin.

Rev. A. R. Medbury, Mrs. C. A. Stearns,
Mrs. J. A. Medbury, Mrs. M. B. Smith,
Miss P. N. Medbury, 1st Bap. church, Janes-
ville, \$24.20.
Rev. H. W. Stearns.

Illinois.

MARENGO CHURCH.

F. W. Patrick, A. Patrick,
H. E. Patrick, E. A. Vandevere,
Nellie Patrick, W. Vandevere,
J. Woodworth, Mrs. F. Brown,
Mrs. E. D. Woodworth, Sundry—\$30.53,
Lizzie Sheillington, J. G. Baker, Galena,
Sylvanus Crissey, F. I. Baker,
B. S. Parker, John Westwick,
A. B. Mason, A Friend,
M. Butterfield.

CANTON CHURCH.

Miss Mary Dehart, Rev. D. H. Cooley,
Mrs. T. E. Moreland, P. Y. Custer,
J. B. Wilson, Alice Clayton,
Mrs. A. Wilson, Mrs. E. Casswell,
W. A. Barnes, Sundry—\$20.75,
Miss Dell G. Sheaff.

Dr. I. N. Hobart and Mrs. Funnell,
family, Downer's Grove, E. Smalley,
A Friend, Chicago, for Mary E. Smalley,
current expenses, \$10. Minnie R. Smalley,
First Baptist church, Maggie M. Smalley,
Bloomington, \$20. Albert C. Smalley,
Rev. J. B. Hutton, At-Galesburg Bap. church,
Janta, Ill., \$10. \$42.
First Baptist church, Thos. Powell,
Roseville, \$7.30. Rev. Lee M. Goffee,
A Friend, Rockton, \$1. T. J. Mendenhall,
J. C. Hart, \$2.60. T. M. Martin,
Rev. C. C. Moore, Bro. Drake,
Mrs. S. H. Moore, L. R. Simshauser,
Miss P. E. Moore, E. Northey,
Bunyan Moore, Mrs. E. D. Northey,
Flora E. Hyde, Miss E. A. Northey,
M. K. Olds, Centennial Dollar Roll,
Rev. G. D. Kent, by Miss E. M. Sprague, \$7,
Mrs. Kent, Samuel Somerville,
Mrs. Hannah Cutler, Mrs. T. Wilkins,
Mrs. Treat, Mrs. A. Buckingham,
Rev. Alex. Blackburn, John Spry,
Mrs. Margaret E. Black-Eliza C. Spry,
burn, Alfred W. Spry,
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UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

An important meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University was held on Thursday afternoon of last week. It was the semi-annual meeting, held especially for presenting and considering the financial reports. These were, considering all circumstances, regarded as encouraging. Much of what has been entered upon for financial relief is still in progress, and any published report upon it should in fairness be deferred. The following letter from Hon. Thomas Hoynes, President of the Board, was read:

CHICAGO, JANUARY 9.—To the Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago.—GENTLEMEN: The undersigned avails himself of this first occasion since his election as President, when he could in person tender you his grateful acknowledgments for the mark of confidence which the selection manifests, as well as for the honor he is aware it confers on him.

To be made a successor of the late Stephen A. Douglas and hardly the less distinguished late William B. Ogden in any official position would in itself be a very gratifying distinction. It is so especially considered by the undersigned, when taken in connection with the history of this institution, which since its foundation has elected only two such persons to so distinguished an honor.

But I have been too long connected with the University, I know too well its actual and immediate needs, I feel too closely identified with its interests, present and future, not to promptly re-act all personal considerations having a tendency to prevent or postpone the adoption of measures which of vital importance, to relieve the financial embarrassment of the corporation, and to save the University itself, in behalf of the interests of our education.

In the "flush times" of the past, and under the auspices of its great founder, while he lived, the University might have indulged in a confident belief that this enterprise, recommended by so many considerations to the support of this city, could not fail among a people who seemed to comprehend, as well as accomplish, everything necessary to crown the progress of the great city which they engaged in building, and the more than royal gratitude to which as a great commercial metropolis it has so grandly risen.

But the truth is, the commercial spirit and patronage of commercial men was to some extent overlooked. In some cases, indeed, when found united with literary culture or taste, the public service or learned professions, many honorable additions have been made, and exceptional cases like that of the late Wm. Jones, who, apart from any culture in early life, became one of the earliest founders as well as most generous of patrons of the institution.

Now, it will be remembered that in all the earlier foundations of this kind throughout the country—such as Harvard and Yale—it is the "merchant prince," the commercial class, and the so-called "business-men" of the community, who have always, when properly apprized of the necessity in cases like this, generously come forward as patrons, to uphold the higher interests of education and learning by the subscription of indispensable money means. The names of some such patron or patrons, and the memories connected with their benefactions and lives, are preserved in nearly every institution of the land, established, as was the University of Chicago, without State or other endowment; and the University of Chicago itself stands at this day a monument in respect to its great founder, which will more imperishably preserve their names for posterity than the tall and elegant marble shaft and statue recently erected in view of its towers, after its very dust shall have perished from sight.

The recently new departure taken by the Institution is full of hope. The new President is a man to succeed in the mission he has undertaken. In taking counsel with him I have also found that men in our Board are leading men in the business circles of the city. It is fortunate, under all the circumstances, that the College does not specially appeal to any strictly sectarian influence, but that Judge Douglas, while confiding its guardianship to a Board of Trustees, a majority of whom should be of a specific denomination, also prohibited all tests of a religious or political character. And the responsibility of the success, or failure, of the University of Chicago is, after all things are considered, placed upon the people of Chicago. I have taken the liberty to solicit a gentleman in behalf of this office who has been known to me over a quarter of a century. While he is a man of wealth, accumulated by honest enterprise, he is also a generous patron of learning and art. He is proud of the city with which his own success is identified, and he has even become a founder of some of its charities.

I submit it to the consideration of the Board whether the position I hold does not of right belong to that great business class to which that gentleman belongs, who, in making this city the exchange of the nations of the world, should be consulted and appealed to in all matters affecting its future progress, in civilization as well as commerce?

Therefore, in order to the immediate adoption of the step I recommend, I resign now the office of President of this Board, and conjointly with this tender request it may be accepted.

I have omitted personal reasons of business, convenience, etc., which would have compelled me to this course in any event, but I think the reasons already stated will render such an imperative or personal demand unnecessary. With every consideration of kind regards, and also thanks, I subscribe myself your very obedient servant,

THOMAS HOYNES.

The considerations presented in Mr. Hoynes's letter were regarded as of very great weight. While emphatic expressions were made, on the part of members present, of respect for him, personally, and of entire satisfaction with his service in this office, yet in view of the reasons urged by himself the resignation was finally accepted. Messrs. W. D. Bacon, of Waukegan, and Murry Nelson, of this city, resigned their membership in the Board.

Messrs. Gassette, Sherer, Gillette, and Barrett, also resigned their places upon the Finance Committee. A committee was appointed to nominate for these several vacancies. The report of the committee was soon received, and the elections were made as follows:

President, N. K. Fairbank, Esq.
Trustees.—To fill vacancy made by the resignation of Mr. Nelson, Mr. G. D. Hammil, Chicago; in place of Mr. Bacon, Mr. Andrew McLeish, also of Chicago.

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Henry Strong, Esq., of this city was also reported for election on the same committee, but declined, on account of business engagements. The committee was empowered to fill the vacancy, at its discretion. After some remarks from President Anderson the Board adjourned, the meeting having been harmonious, business-like and hopeful.

Since the above was in type, we learn with great pleasure that Mr. Fairbank, in a letter to the Secretary of the Board, accepts the presidency tendered him.

University and Seminary.

The day was observed at the University. The students nearly filled the chapel, at half-past ten in the morning, when they listened to a sermon, by the President, on the subject of the "Memory," from the text: "And Abraham said, Son, remember." The ground was taken that we never in reality forget; that every impression made on the mind is indelible. In the prayer-meeting in the afternoon and evening there was a very gratifying increase of religious interest among the students in attendance. We learn that indications since are highly favorable for a revival of religious interest among the Christian students, and we trust, as the fruit of this, a work of grace amongst those of them who are not Christians.

The day was also observed at the Seminary, in exercises held morning and afternoon. In the former the faculty and students united, in the latter, students only. The day was felt to be a good one. The occasion was used on the part of the students for expressing their own personal interest in the school whose advantages they are enjoying. Dr. Northrup's remarks, in opening the morning meeting, dwelt upon the importance and value of our denominational institutions in general, and the need of a wider, deeper and more prayerful interest in their behalf.

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W. A. Walker's subject was the "Reciprocal Influence of Nations." Nations are subject to different laws. Not only in the past have the nations of the old world influenced each other, but today America has its influence upon Great Britain. The "Uses of Adversity" was the theme of the oration of F. W. C. Hayes. Strange is the statement of Shakespeare that "Sweet are the uses of adversity." But we can see the truth of the words in nature, in the history of nations, in the history of individuals. "Shakespeare" was the subject upon which E. W. Peek wrote. He was excused from delivering it, and this was done by W. A. Purcell. Little as is known biographically of Shakespeare, the experiences of kings and statesmen are thrown into the shade by those of this incomparable man. This was a very fine production, and was heartily applauded at its close.

The final oration, upon "The Chancellor, the Primate, the Martyr," was by D. B. Cheney, Jr. Few chapters in history possess more interest than that of Thomas a' Becket. The times in which he lived required the utmost caution and courage. These two characteristics he admirably displayed in the cabinet, and on the field of battle. His struggle with the king in which he was determined to hold inviolate the powers of the church against the encroachments of the state, his exile and his treacherous murder were graphically described.

The subject matter of each and all of these orations was excellent, they were memorized almost faultlessly and were delivered in an admirable manner. Such an evenness of excellence we have seldom been permitted to hear. The whole affair was creditable alike to the university, the professors and the young gentlemen themselves. We have but one criticism to make and that is the prominence given to the essay style, rather than the oration. The judges, Rev. J. W. Custis, D.D., Rev. T. W. Goodspeed and Rev. E. B. Hulbert, referred in giving their decision to the difficulties which surrounded them, but gave the first prize to Willis Hawley, second prize to J. Calvin Johnson, and "honorable mention" to D. B. Cheney, Jr.; and to which we would add an honorable mention to—all. The Bianey quartette gave sev-

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The University.—The second term of study at the University closes on Friday of this week. The examination of the classes will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The third term opens on Monday, April 7th.

OUR UNIVERSITY.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

CHICAGO, March 8.—In the southern part of the city, at Thirty-fourth street and Cottage Grove avenue, stand the buildings of the University of Chicago. This institution is sometimes called by our citizens the Douglas College. Stephen A. Douglas, seeking the highest good of Chicago and the Northwest, laid its foundations by donating ten acres of land, the present site of the University buildings. Not a few, when he made this gift, urged that the University should in justice bear his name; but he, with characteristic magnanimity, refused this honor, assigning as the reason for this refusal, that the University should be forever regarded as belonging to the entire city, and so it could be appropriately called nothing but "The University of Chicago." By his special request it received this name. He has committed it to our care. Many among us hold his name in special honor, and we can now do nothing which would contribute so much to the glory of the departed statesman as to make, by our generous support, the University which he founded strong and efficient.

I would not, by any word that I may write, make the impression that the University has not done good work in the past, or is not doing good work now. Its literary and scientific instruction will compare favorably with that of other colleges. It would be a pleasure to have those who are capable of judging in reference to this step into our class-rooms and examine for themselves the character of the instruction imparted, and the drill to which our students are subjected. But, while the work done by the University is good, with greater facilities, especially in the scientific department, it might be made to cover much more ground, and, at the same time, more thorough and efficient.

But this University, useful as it has been and mighty for good as it may be in the future, is now crippled with debt. If any one says that an institution of learning should never contract debts, we shall agree with him, and shall give to his declaration the greatest possible emphasis. But, having been called to the control of the University only one year ago, I am not in the least degree responsible for the contracting of its debts. Nor are those in the Board of Trustees who are now directing its affairs responsible for this state of things. We are simply endeavoring to cancel these debts, and to rid forever the University of this incubus.

Men not only very properly denounce the ruinous policy of running into debt, but they also tell us that there has been quarreling in the Board of Trustees. This is true, and, as that quarreling nearly proved the destruction of the most important trust ever committed to the citizens of Chicago, it is sad and reprehensible beyond expression. But that quarrel is dead. It belongs to the past. Its bones, well picked, are already as dry as those in Ezekiel's vision. The present managers of the University are no more responsible for that old quarrel than for the feud which sprung up between Saul and David. If all good men condemn it,—and a good man could do nothing less than that,—we wish to stand among the foremost in denouncing it. But because "somebody blundered" in the past, does that excuse us from acting rightly now? Because some men in the Board of Trustees once stiffly and unbecomingly contended with each other, shall we now justify ourselves in permitting the University to perish? Of course no sane man will say that.

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Guilbert & Winchell, Printers, 164 Clark St.

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At the meeting of the trustees, held Wednesday afternoon, President Anderson stated in his annual report, that there have been in attendance, at the collegiate department of the university, 179 students. Of these 116 were in the college classes, the remainder in the preparatory. In the law department the student-roll numbers somewhat above one hundred, of whom thirty-one graduate this year. The President's report of the work in connection with finances was encouraging. Much of the result of the year's service in this department is still to be realized. Yet important progress has been made in right directions. We cherish the hope that announcements may ere long be made, which will at least relieve the anxiety now widely felt as to the future of the university. Most of the business transacted at this meeting of the board was routine in character; its result will appear in connection with the commencement report below. There being several vacancies to fill in the board, a committee, consisting of Dr. Boone, Mr. Fairbank, President of the board, President Anderson and F. E. Hinkley, Esq., was appointed to nominate for these at an adjourned meeting to be held on the last Tuesday in September. Mr. Fairbank,

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ORDER OF EXERCISES.

MUSIC—BY THE ORIENTAL QUARTETTE.

PRAYER.

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ORATION—The World's New Olympiad,

*WILLIAM HARVEY ADAMS,
DUNDEE.

ORATION—Theory in Modern Science,

ELISHA ANDERSON
CHICAGO.

ORATION—Milton's Satan,

WILLIAM HENRY CARMICHAEL,
HAMLET.

ORATION—Dean Swift,

HOMER JOSEPH CARR,
ENGLEWOOD.

ORATION—The Evils of War,

*JESSE FREMONT CHURCH,
CHICAGO.

ORATION—Copyright,

FREDERICK SAMUEL COMSTOCK,
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ORATION—Hugh Miller,

ANNA MARY COON,
PANA.

ORATION—Two Empires,

JOHN JACKSON COON,
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ORATION—Nihilism,

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*WILLIAM HENRY MILES,
BIRMINGHAM, ENG.

ORATION—The Teutonic Element in Civilization,

CHARLES FREEMAN MOREY,
WAUKESHA, WIS.

ORATION—Hindrances to Modern Thought,

HORACE GREELEY PARKINS,
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ORATION—The Conservative Element in Literature,

CLARENCE NEWTON PATTERSON,
BELVIDERE.

ORATION—The Power of Emulation,

JIRAH DEAN RUSSELL,
MORRISON.

ORATION—Culture and Religion,

*HOMER H. SWANEY,
HOOKSTON, PA.

ORATION—The Desire for Wealth,

WILLIAM JAMES WATSON,
CHATSWORTH.

ORATION—Education and National Prosperity,

SAMUEL JAMES WINEGAR,
KENOSHA, WIS.

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CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

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Washington's Birth-Day at the University.

The students of the University and their friends had an uncommonly good time in celebrating, as has been the custom there for some years, the birth-day of "the Father of his Country," on Friday evening of last week. The faculty were all present—save one, who represented himself by letter; invited ladies lent also the inspiration of their presence; music made the scene melodious, while a good dinner at the beginning predisposed all to think the best of everything. There was a full programme of toasts and speeches, responses being made by President Anderson, by Profs. Howe, Olson, Dexter, Colbert, and, in a lively poem, by Prof. Sanford, also by Messrs. Miles, Esher, D. B. Cheney, Jr., Van. Schaack, Mead, Hobbs, and by Miss Addie L. Crafts. It was, we should judge, the most successful occasion of the kind in the history of the university.

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Junior Exhibition. Mar. 20/79

The Junior class of the University gave their annual exhibition on Thursday evening of last week. A large audience, filling the beautiful and spacious auditorium of the First Baptist church, greeted the ten young gentlemen who were to represent the class of '80. An opening prayer was offered by Rev. D. B. Cheney, D.D. of Elgin.

The first oration was delivered by Alfred E. Barr, whose subject was, "Education and Crime." With civilization always comes crime, he said, as pestilence and ruin are the camp-followers of war. Education alone affords the depraved the greater power to do wrong. To remedy the evil effects of educated criminality, the lesson of the school-master must be added to the moral teachings of the mother; to the education of the mind must be linked the education of the soul. Willis Hawley followed with a well delivered oration on "Public Opinion," which is of two kinds, reflective and instinctive, the one conservative, the other blind and inert. The one rescuing from the darkness of the past, the other the servant of tyranny. Principles since the feudal ages have been gaining the ascendancy, and enlightened thought will time control opinion. Ernest W. Clemens spoke upon the "Age of Pericles," the forty or fifty years of the greatest prosperity of Greece. He sketched the history of this noted man, who had the honor of giving his name to that portion of his country's history during which he lived, in which art and literature, architecture and the principles of free government, steadily advanced.

"Edmund Burke" was the subject chosen by Charles H. Wayne; Burke, who marks the page of history as England's greatest man, a man remarkable alike as an author and a statesman. J. Calvin Johnson spoke upon "Thiers." The change of affairs in France, where now we see the government peacefully turned

from the rule of a war-veteran to the rule of a civilian, which years ago would have occasioned a revolution, was spoken of,

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JOHN JACKSON COON.
WILLIAM HENRY MILES.
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time, as all his acts in reference to it show, what denomination should assume its guardianship; but he finally saw fit to put this responsibility on the Baptists. But the charter, drawn by his own hand, breathes in every line of it the most catholic spirit. No religious tests whatever can be applied to any student entering the University. Its Trustees are from all denominations, and from good men of no denomination. N. K. Fairbank, most highly esteemed among the business men of this city is now President of the Board of Trustees. The Faculty is gathered together on the same liberal basis. No denominational tenets are ever taught. Protestant and Roman Catholic, Jew and Gentile, men of every race and color, are welcome within its walls. Men might just as well refuse on denominational grounds to sustain Dartmouth or Yale College.

It is, therefore, my privilege and duty to appeal, with all the earnestness that I possess, to the citizens of Chicago to make their own University just what it should be. Its debts must be paid. It should be liberally endowed. Those of us who can contribute only small sums to this great work ought to do it gladly. But the history of colleges and universities in our country shows that, if such institutions are ever amply endowed, they must secure large gifts. Many men in the East give to colleges in their own States ten, or twenty, or fifty, or a hundred thousand dollars. A few years ago, Gardner Colby, of Massachusetts, said to the Trustees of Waterville College in Maine, "I will give to your College \$50,000 if you will raise \$100,000 in addition to the \$50,000." The condition thus laid down was soon met, and the result is that the College has become one of the best equipped institutions in our country. We have some rich men in our city. We have merchant princes; we have men who have grown rich in handling grain and provisions; we have those who have become wealthy by manipulating great railroad enterprises; we have rich bankers and capitalists. Will these men who have made their money here permit the only university in their city to perish for lack of their sympathy and support? Will they not do for this institution what wealthy men of the East have done for scores of colleges there? Shall it be said that Chicago can pour out its millions to augment its material resources, and yet permit its only literary scientific institution of a higher grade to be blotted out for want of a little money?

I cannot believe that my fellow-citizens, justly noted for their great commercial enterprises, will ever permit their thriving city to suffer such an irreparable disaster. When I have sought access to them, that I might plead for the University, they have received me with rare courtesy. They have listened to my words with that attention and interest which show that they appreciate the greatness and grandeur of the enterprise for which I am called to labor. But the time for action has fully come. Who among us will have the honor of making the first large and liberal donation to this great work—of beginning a movement which shall result in complete success, and shall confer, in all time to come, untold blessings on our city and on our common country?

GALUSHA ANDERSON,
President University of Chicago.

University of Chicago.

The first of the exercises of commencement at the University was the baccalaureate sermon by President Anderson on Sabbath morning last, at the University Place church. There was an excellent audience, and the services throughout were exceedingly impressive. Dr. Anderson took for his text these three passages:

* Lev. xl. 44, "Ye shall be holy, for I am holy, saith the Lord."
Matt. v. 48, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."
1 Pet. i. 16, "Because it is written, Be ye holy, for I am holy."

Dr. Anderson began by saying that God calls upon us often to do something for our fellow-men and for him; more frequently to be something. This introduced a sermon upon "Character": what we are to understand by it; how we shall build up character; and a holy character; with what kind of character we should be satisfied; the importance of holy character. Character is what a man actually is—not what he seems to be. It has both a negative and a positive side; freedom from sin, upon the one hand, an exercise of virtue—of all the vir-

tues—upon the other. It must begin with renewal, with reconstruction. In the building of character, one agency is thought, through which impressions come that abide, and help to make the man what he is. Another is the influence of our deeds, acting upon others but reacting upon ourselves.

Another is the reflex influence upon us of the character of those with whom we come in contact. As to the kind of character we should seek, the text sets forth the one sufficient standard. And this is not only a scriptural standard, it is equally a rational one. For to aim at perfection is the only rational thing, looking to the next life for the full realization of the hope. The importance of holy character is in the fact (1) that to be is always the important thing;—the character is the man. (2) Character determines the moral quality of our acts. (3) Character determines the effectiveness of our acts with reference to others.

The sermon closed with touching appeals to the class to aim only at that, in character, in life, in the whole career, which is highest. The clear analysis, the lucid style, the cogent reasoning were such as always make Dr. Anderson's sermons so superior; while the occasion lent an unusual emphasis and effectiveness. One seldom hears a better sermon, on any occasion.

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Class Day. July 3/79

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday forenoons were devoted to class examinations. On Wednesday afternoon the class celebration of the Seniors occurred at the usual place in the university grounds. There was a large gathering of friends of the class and the university, and the exercises, alike in their gaiety and their gravity, afforded high satisfaction. Mr. F. S. Comstock made the opening address. He was followed by Mr. J. F. Church, who read the class paper. Mr. J. J. Coon then delivered an oration on Lord Byron. Mr. C. N. Patterson epically and poetically set forth the history of the class. Then followed a paper by Mr. J. D. Russell, humorously descriptive of his classmates in their *personnel* and peculiarities. The memorial hatchet, heretofore always left by the Seniors as a legacy to the Juniors, was buried; a very suggestive act, if its significance could only be made broad enough. This ceremony was under the direction of Mr. W. J. Watson. Then came a literary oration, by Mr. H. G. Parkins; a prophecy by Mr. W. J. Carr; an address to the under-graduates by Mr. E. Anderson, the whole closing in a farewell speech by Mr. W. H. Carmichael, and the farewell hymn, as written by Miss Florence M. Holbrook. The frequent applauses of the audience indicated the cordial reception given to the several speakers and readers, as they came in their order.

The Alumni Reunion.

In the evening of the same day the Alumni of the University held their annual reunion, at the First Baptist church. In the absence of the President of the Alumni Association, Rev. E. O. Taylor, of this city,

presided. Prayer was offered by Rev. Robert Leslie, of Iowa. Mr. Taylor, in a highly fitting opening address, gave some interesting statistics. The whole number of graduates from the university is now one hundred and ninety-three. Of these fifty-six have entered the ministry, three of whom are in service as foreign missionaries; thirty-two are in the legal profession, twenty-one are teachers, eight are physicians, seven connected with the press, thirty-two are in different business callings; of twenty-nine no report could be given; seven have died. The Alumni, it was stated, have made for themselves an excellent record—a record which, as yet, has not been stained by unworthy character or unworthy life on the part of any member of the association.

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President of the Board, not being present, Hon. J. F. Bonfield, one of the Vice Presidents, presided.

The Commencement.

Thursday was commencement day. The exercises, held at Farwell Hall, began at two o'clock p. m. Upon the platform were seated the President and Faculty of the University, with members of the Board of Trustees. The music for the occasion was furnished by the Oriental Quartette, and with a song by these four gentlemen the exercises opened. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Peddie. Of the twenty young gentlemen and ladies named upon the programme, four, as the President announced, had been excused from speaking by their own desire, with a view to shorten the exercises. He had no reason to doubt, President Anderson said, that they would have

spoken quite as well as any who were to appear. Their names are, William Harvey Adams, Dundee, Jesse Fremont Church, Chicago, William Henry Miles, Birmingham, England, Homer H. Swaney, Hookston, Penn. Those who delivered orations, accordingly, numbered sixteen, as follows:

"Theory in Modern Science"—Elisha Anderson, Chicago.
"Milton's Satan"—William Henry Carmichael, Hamlet.
"Deau Swift"—Homer Joseph Carr, Englewood.
"Copyright"—Frederick Samuel Comstock, Chicago.
"Hugh Miller"—Anna Mary Coon, Pana.
"Two Empires"—John Jackson Coon, Pana.
"Nihilism"—Edward Benjamin Esher, Chicago.
"Self-Sacrifice"—Florence May Holbrook, Chicago.
"Peter the Great"—Carrie Elhira Howe, Chicago.
"The Nation's Need"—Evan Bradley Meredith, Otego, Wis.
"The Teutonic Element in Civilization"—Charles Freeman Morey, Waukesha, Wis.
"Hindrances to Modern Thought"—Horace Greeley Parkins, Havana.
"The Conservative Element in Literature"—Clarence Newton Patterson, Belvidere.
"The Power of Emulation"—Jirah Dean Russell, Morrison.
"The Desire for Wealth"—William James Watson, Chatsworth.
"Education and National Prosperity"—Samuel James Winegar, Kenosha, Wis.

The graduates having delivered their orations, the class came upon the platform and received at the hands of the President, with the customary Latin formula, their diplomas—eight for the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, twelve that of Bachelor of Arts. President Anderson then addressed the class. His principal theme was an analysis of that ideal of "success" which he presumed to be their own ideal, in entering now upon the more practical and active duties of life. He desired them to distinguish sharply between that success which is true and that which is false; and to reckon always as of the latter whatever has for its reward a mere popularity, and whatever involves the sacrifice of any moral principle. The achievement of any really good thing is success. It involves not only the acquisition of power and of influence, but its use as well. Some emphatic things were said here as to the utter failure of those lives which are devoted to mere acquisition, however large such acquisition may be. The man of real wealth is the man who both acquires and gives. The address was eloquent, earnest, affectionate, and commanded not only the fixed attention of the class, but that of the large audience as well.

Readers will observe, by reference to the

programme, that the subjects discussed were more varied than is sometimes the case. There was but little politics, and the American Republic was ruined and redeemed only once or twice in the whole course of the speaking. The topics and their treatment were in the main such as are becoming to a group of scholars. With scarcely an exception the tone was excellent. We thought that the speaker upon "Hindrances to Modern Thought" overestimated as being such the "worn-out creeds and dogmas" to which he referred. Surely, thought is free enough, and wild enough, even with some fundamental points of belief regarded as settled. Whatever was amiss in this oration, however, found its remedy in the manly maintenance in that which followed of the truth that the "conservative element" in literature as in other things, which may be thoroughly depended upon, is the Christian religion. The young gentlemen of the class will not complain, we are sure, if we say that the orations of the young ladies, whether as to matter, style, or delivery, were equal to the best of the whole number. It is worthy of especial note what an element of peculiar interest is brought into these college-commencement occasions by those whose presence upon such a rostrum is so much a new thing. If we were very much more in doubt as to the question of co-education than we are, we should undergo radical conversion, at least for the time, on every occasion when the young ladies of a college graduating-class come forward to demonstrate, as they always do, that while fully equal to their brothers in the class-room, they are not a whit behind them on the platform.

The honorary degrees conferred were: Master of Arts upon Prof. E. F. Ingalls, M. D., of Rush Medical College, and Miss Esther H. Boise, who has been instructor in Modern Languages at the University during the year; also that of Doctor of Laws on Judge J. M. Bailey, of the Appellate Court, Prof. Charles R. Adams, of the University of Michigan, and Mr. Hayden K. Smith, of this city. President Anderson announced, also, the degree of Master of Arts as conferred in course on the Classical graduates of 1876, and that of Bachelor of Laws upon the graduates this year, at the Union College of Law. He further stated that a first prize of fifty dollars and a second prize of twenty-five dollars are offered to the incoming Senior class, for the best essay on the "Magna Charta."

The commencement this year is pronounced a fine success. The audience was the largest we have ever seen at such a time in Chicago—numbering probably at least a thousand. The class was, we believe, the most numerous ever graduated from the University, and the orations were at least, in uniform excellence, fully up to the measure of the best hitherto. The exercises closed with the benediction, by Dr. Northrup.

The Dinner and Levee.

It is the purpose, we believe, to hereafter appoint the commencement for an earlier hour in the day. This will afford time for the alumni business meeting and dinner without interfering with the President's levee in the evening. The dinner, spread at the

Grand Pacific Hotel, was shared by a less number of guests of the alumni than would have been the case, doubtless, only for the fact that there was such a general desire to be present at the reception in the university parlors, which we understand was largely attended. The company at the dinner, however, if smaller than we trust it will ever be again, was a genial and a happy one. President Anderson being unable to be present, the duty of responding to the toast, "The University of Chicago," fell to the Editor of THE STANDARD; a circumstance which became the occasion of a double loss—a loss to the said editor of the good dinner he would otherwise have eaten, and a loss to the company of the good speech they otherwise would have had. The sense of deficiency, however, in the one case if not in the other was relieved by the admirable addresses which followed—of Judge J. M. Bailey, in responding to the toast, "The Judiciary;" Dr. Burroughs,

"Our Pioneers;" Hon. J. F. Bonfield, "The City of Chicago;" Prof. E. S. Bastin, "The Faculty;" Hon. G. M. Lambertson, "The Alumni;" Prof. Boyser, of the Indiana State University, "Our Sister Colleges;" F. P. Powers, of the Times, "The Press;" F. A. Smith, Esq., "College Days;" Rev. R. D. Sheppard, "Education Abroad;" Miss Jessie F. Waite, "Alumni Sociability;" Eli Felsenthal, "The New Comers." The company present had also the pleasure of hearing a few words from the genial and gentlemanly host of the Grand Pacific, Mr. Drake.

It has been a thoroughly good year of work in the university, and the prospect for next year, as to attendance of students and service in teaching and administration, is very encouraging. The President will, we learn, be engaged next year in his duties within the university, taking the Senior classes, and otherwise devoting himself more entirely to the customary work of his chair.

The University of Chicago.

Arrangements, we learn, are already in progress for the new college year in the university, to open Sept. 10th, next. A very important measure is the election of Mr. J. D. S. Riggs as Principal of the Preparatory Department. Mr. Riggs graduated at the university a year ago, and has since been engaged in successful teaching. He is regarded as unusually well-qualified for the post he now takes, and the aim will be to bring this department of the university up to the rank of a first-class academic and preparatory school. It is, perhaps, already known that the teaching—apart from that done by the Principal, who is also a member of the Faculty—is by the college professors, and the theory is that the work in that department shall fully equal in value that in any other. We invite, to this subject, the particular attention of those in the city and elsewhere who have sons and daughters for whom they wish to secure the advantages of a school of this kind.

The University of Chicago.

We have before mentioned the fact of the appointment of Mr. J. D. S. Riggs to the Principalship of the Preparatory Department in the University of Chicago. We now have the pleasure of also announcing the election of Prof. Lewis Stuart, late of Kalamazoo College, as Professor of Latin, and Rev. W. H. Sloan, of Canandaigua, N. Y., as Professor of Rhetoric and English Literature. Mr. Sloan cannot enter upon service until at the end of another year. In the meantime, the work of his chair will be taken by Prof. Sanford, whose circumstances make it seem undesirable to remove permanently to Chicago,

yet who is willing to give the university another year of his valuable and much appreciated service. Prof. Stuart received his education mostly at Glasgow College, in Scotland. He has been eight years at Kalamazoo, and has a fine record, alike as a scholar and a teacher. Prof. Freeman, for so long time connected with the university faculty, has accepted the position of Professor of Rhetoric and English Literature in the University of Wisconsin, at Madison, filling the vacancy made by the greatly lamented death of Prof. S. H. Carpenter. We learn that prospects for the next year at our university are exceedingly encouraging. President Anderson has spent most of his vacation at the East, working hard in the interest of the institution, and with hopeful results. He will have the charge of the Senior classes during the year about to open, while also giving such attention as may be practicable to outside work. The outlook, we are glad to say, is promising, in all respects.

Sept. 15/79 University of Chicago.

At the date of our last inquiry, two or three days since, one hundred and sixteen students had been enrolled on the Registrar's books. This is somewhat less than the number present last year, but several of the old students who are known to be intending to return have not yet done so, while new names are every day enrolled. The preparatory department opens, under the new arrangement, with vigor and promise. The freshman class numbers twenty, while the senior class has eighteen, besides several who are connected with it in a somewhat irregular way. It is, we learn, a thoroughly good class. In some strange way a rumor got abroad that the university was not to re-open. This is believed to have operated to lessen the number of new students coming. There is the prospect of a good year, and all connected with the institution are encouraged.

University of Chicago.

It is expected that the commencement of the university, occurring on Thursday of this week, the present year, will be an occasion of quite unusual interest. We believe that the class to graduate is the largest in the history of the university; certainly, it is one of the best. The exercises for commencement day have been so arranged as not to be too extended in point of time, and to be interesting from beginning to end. As they will be held in the new Central Music Hall, the place alone will have attractions. On Wednesday will occur the class-day exercises, at three p. m., on the college grounds. In the evening will be held the Alumni anniversary, at the First Baptist church, when an oration is expected from Rev. C. R. Henderson, of Terre Haute, an historical essay from Miss Florence Holbrook, and an essay from Prof. Edward Olson. The Alumni could not be better represented, and those who are present on this occasion may expect a treat. It is earnestly hoped that all the exercises, from first to last, will be so attended, from city and country, as to show that the university, now in so many ways prospered and successful, certainly not less than in the best of its former years, is appreciated by the denomination in whose name it was originally founded.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

In some points of view the commencement at the University just closed was the most encouraging and hopeful that has occurred in many years. We might mention the fact that on no former occasion of the kind has so large an audience been present. The attractiveness of the place—the beautiful and commodious Central Music Hall—had something to do with this, no doubt; but we think it only right to claim that the increased attendance was due quite as much to the fact of an increased interest on the part of our citizens in this annual literary festival. The Board of Trustees is now entirely harmonious in its councils, and in earnest, we think, to make the care of the institution its one business. Although some of those connected with the administration from the beginning, such as Dr. Burroughs and Dr. Boone, are not now members of the Board, their places are supplied by new men in a position to render important service to the university, and with every disposition to do so. The year of work in the several educational departments has been one of marked success. No note of discord has marked the personal relations of the faculty, while the classrooms have been the scene of scholarly enthusiasm, and all the daily exercises conducted in the spirit of zealous goodwill. With the exception of a moderate sum now needed to carry things forward to next September, the working expenses of the year, as well as of the entire period of President Anderson's administration have been met, with some \$6,000 paid of debts left by former ones. The mortgage debt stands where it was, but is an occasion of present embarrassment no otherwise than as it remains in the way of suc-

cessful effort to endow the chairs. Taken all in all, those interested in the fortunes of the university have reason to "thank God and take courage."

Preliminaries to Commencement.

Among these should be mentioned the Sophomore prize declamations held the previous week at the University Place Baptist church. Of this occasion we will only say that it was a well-contested struggle, resulting to general satisfaction in the awarding of the first prize, of fifteen dollars, to Mr. Hanchette, and the second to Mr. Clark. Of the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. Broadus at the First church, Sabbath morning preceding the commencement, we spoke last week. The examinations, which occurred on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday forenoons, were term examinations, simply, and were written. This is found to be the surest test of real attainment in the student, and in the present instance, as in former ones during the year, its results showed faithful work on the part of the students, with such exceptions as are always found, and progress in that same degree gratifying. There has been no time in the history of the university, when, as we believe, the work in all the departments has been more satisfactory.

Class-Day Exercises.

A lively, chaty company of Alumni and friends gathered upon the university campus on Wednesday afternoon to witness and enjoy the class-day performances which annually take place there. This occasion is generally more informal than the commencement exercises of the succeeding day, and the graduates are seen, if not to better advantage, certainly in the fairest representation. It is the last literary class meeting of the out-going students, and hence the event is of peculiar interest, especially to the under-graduates and participants.

The programme of the present occasion was found very entertaining and the young men and ladies filled its several parts in a very creditable manner. When called upon to submit themselves individually to the historian's and prophet's merciless hands, they did so with such grace and resignation as to cover themselves with glory, even while on the block. The day was everything that could be desired, and the audience sufficiently large and appreciative to call forth the performer's best efforts. A company of cornet-players furnished the music and gave good satisfaction. The following is the programme:

1. President's Address, C. H. Wayne.
2. Class Paper, Julia Hawley.
3. Classical Oration, Dante, D. B. Cheney, Jr.
4. Class History, Alfred E. Barr.
5. Cane Essay, Oscar Bass.
6. Class Essayist, "The Reign of Elizabeth," Carrie S. Ryan.
7. Class Prophecy, W. A. Walker.
8. Address to Alumni, F. W. C. Hayes.
9. Philosophical Oration, E. B. Tolman.
10. Valedictory, E. W. Clement.
11. Class Song, E. W. Peck.

Alumni Anniversary.

An excellent audience greeted the representatives of the alumni on Wednesday evening at the First Baptist church. F. A. Smith, Esq., President of the Alumni Association, presided, and after prayer had been offered, introduced the exercises in a neat speech. Prof. Edward Olson, of the University, first read an essay upon

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"Educational Problems." We should be glad to give a fuller idea of this admirable paper than our limits will allow. The view taken was peculiarly fresh, showing how the educational idea should penetrate the various relations of life, and shape, not only the career of the individual, but the family, society and the state. Prof. Olson, as the head of the Greek department in the University, did not fail to urge an earnest plea in behalf of the classics, not, however, to the belittling of other kinds of culture. He held that the whole intellectual and moral being should be made the subject of this culture, and that it should be so guided as not to be merely ornamental, but so as to serve and promote all human interests. There were pleasant bits of humor, here and there, which drew the applause of the audience. It was only to be regretted that the late day at which the essayist became aware that this service would be expected of him, and the pressure of other duties did not leave him opportunity to become somewhat more familiar with his manuscript.

Prof. Olson was followed by Miss Florence Holbrook, a graduate of last year, in a history of the class. Her essay bore indications of a very large amount of painstaking industry in gathering the personal record of a body of 215 graduates of the university—with the class this year, 241. The enumeration was saved from tediousness as much as such a one could well be by skill in grouping, and by the felicitous handling of related themes. There is some reason to fear that the "slang" vernacular found sometimes in young ladies' schools invades even the precincts of the university; though, perhaps, on this occasion somewhat excused by the use made of it in lending piquancy to some personal allusions.

The urgency of other duties made it impossible for us to remain for the oration of Rev. C. R. Henderson, of Terre Haute, upon "Popular Incentives to Higher Culture." We hear it spoken of as scholarly and finished in a high degree. The lateness of the hour at which he began to speak made his position an embarrassing one, yet he fully sustained his reputation as one of the most cultivated and gifted of the University Alumni.

Commencement.

This occurred on Thursday, 24th inst., at the Central Music Hall. The audience, as we have intimated, was exceptionally large, and for the most part remained until the entire programme had been carried through. The addresses of those, ten in number, who represented the class of twenty-six, were well received, with the customary testimonials of applause and bouquets. The music was furnished by the Chicago Quartette. Prayer having been offered by Dr. Broadus, the speakers came upon the rostrum as follows:

"Party Spirit in America."—David B. Cheney, Jr.
 "Milton, the Statesman."—Ernest W. Clement.
 "Demands for Men of Thought."—Charles H. Forward.
 "The Needs of Our Time."—Fred. W. C. Hayes.
 "The Abuse of Liberty."—John C. Johnson.
 "National Unity."—James P. Lindsay.
 "Vindication of Political Inconsistency."—William E. Scott.
 "Our Threefold Debt."—Edgar B. Tolman.
 "Woman in Science."—Lucy C. Waite.
 "Modern Free Inquiry."—Charles H. Wayne.

The large attention given in these orations to subjects having a political bearing, was explained to us as having been occasioned chiefly by late occurrences in our city, whose influence did not fail to penetrate even the classic walls of the university. The programme would have had more variety of interest if this could have been avoided. The subjects, however, even of this kind, were so varied in treatment as in a good degree to make atonement. We noticed, besides, that in the views presented, in such orations as those of Mr. Cheney, Mr. Lindsay, and Mr. Scott, the opportunity afforded for an intelligent and sharp discrimination of points too often confused in the treatment of such themes even by much older writers and speakers, was skilfully used. The thought in all the orations was unusually mature and well stated. More of the class of topics so finely treated by Mr. Clement, Mr. Tolman, Miss Waite and Mr. Wayne, would make a programme more in keeping with the character and aims of a literary institution. Even this criticism we offer with something like a pang of self-reproach, as the general character of the exercises was so admirable. We do not remember any similar occasion when the delivery, as it seemed to us, was uniformly so good. We might particularly mention in that connection Messrs. Hayes, Lindsay and Cheney. Mr. Johnson, also, in passages of his oration gave his thought much impressiveness by the manner of its presentation. If we mention these names particularly, it is with no disparagement of others. There was no case of poor delivery in the entire series. Upon the whole, the appearance of the class was such as to very much gratify the friends of the university, while evidently pleasing, also, to the large audience present.

Prizes and Degrees.

The orations having been concluded, President Anderson announced and delivered the prizes won by the successful contestants in the Sophomore class. He also announced that prizes had been offered for the two best essays by members of the Senior class. There had been five competitors, the assigned subject for each being "Magna Charta." The essays furnished were placed in the hands of five judges, who marked them upon a scale of one hundred. Upon combining these estimates, it was found, curiously enough, that the markings for two of the essays aggregated the same, although the judges had given their award without consultation and without even knowing each other's names. The amount of "prize-money," seventy-five dollars, was accordingly evenly divided between Mr. Ernest W. Clement and Miss Julia Hawley.

The degree of A. B. was then conferred upon eighteen members of the class, as follows:

William Henry Alsip, John Irvine Anderson, Alfred Eugene Barr, David Batchelder Cheney, Jr., Ernest Wilson Clement, Charles Herbert Forward, Frederick William Crosby Hayes, John Herron, Jr., John Calvin Johnson, James Patterson Lindsay, Samuel McClay, Ethelbert Weeden Peek, Thomas Phillips, William Richardson Scott, Chase Stewart, Edgar Bronson Tolman, Lucy Clapp Waite, William Abel Walker.

Of B. Ph. upon four, namely:

Oscar Bass, Finlay McNaughton Johnston, Carrie Susan Ryan, Charles Harley Wayne.

And B. S. also upon four:

Fred. Howe Babcock, Franklin Beard, Julia Hawley, Willis Hawley.

President Anderson's address to the class had the practical, sensible ring which is so suitable to an occasion of the kind. His allusions to the relation, now severed, between the faculty and the young men and young women who had been so long under their instruction, were tender and affectionate. His address dwelt, mainly, upon a single word which, among all those which came to his lips clamoring for utterance, was that upon which his own thoughts fixed—"Honesty." Illustrating each point clearly and impressively, he urged the class to be honest to God, honest to themselves, honest to their fellow-men. The words spoken were those "words in season" to which inspiration awards its high praise. The following additional degrees were then announced:

M. A.—Luther G. Barr, Fowler E. Lansing, M. B. Harrison, James Langland, F. M. Smith, John E. Rhodes, Dr. Ed. Sawyer, and the Rev. Joseph Thompson.
 Doctor of Music—H. B. Palmer.
 D.D.—Prof. J. Alexander Edgren, James V. Schofield.
 LL.D.—Prof. John C. Freeman.

Also the degree of Bachelor of Laws upon nineteen graduates of the Law School. For the following we are indebted to the *Tribune* notice of the commencement: "During the exercises an express package direct from Mrs. President Hayes, was received by Miss Lucy Waite, one of the graduates. Upon examining it, it was found to contain a magnificent bouquet of rare flowers."

Alumni Dinner and Levee.

The Alumni held a business meeting at the Palmer House, at the conclusion of the exercises at the hall. Miss Holbrook was requested, by vote of the Alumni, to furnish her essay for publication. After some other business, officers for the ensuing year were chosen, as follows:

President—F. A. Smith, '68.
 Vice-President—George C. Ingham, '73.
 Secretary—J. G. Davidson, '72.
 Treasurer—F. W. C. Hayes, '80.
 Toast-Mistress—Miss Jessie F. Waite, '77.
 Executive Committee—Rev. E. O. Taylor, '69; N. C. Wheeler, '73; H. A. Gardner, '68.

The appointments for the next anniversary were then made:

Orator—Rev. T. E. Egbert, '74; alternate, Jacob Newman, '73.
 Essayist—J. M. Rea, '67; alternate, James Langland, '77.
 Poet or Historian—C. C. Adams, '76; alternate, T. C. Roney, '78.

The dinner followed, at which about seventy were present. The bill of fare having been disposed of, speeches followed by President Anderson, Rev. J. L. Jackson, Prof. H. H. Sanford, Rev. L. T. Bush, Miss Jessie F. Waite, Rev. A. J. Fisher, O. C. Weller, F. A. Smith, Esq., and Rev. H. C. Foster. The day closed with the levee of the President at the University, which in spite of the clouds and rain was well attended.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

In closing a recent article in a Western educational monthly, with reference to the institution of which he is the president, Dr. Galusha Anderson says:

"In reference to its finances, may we all be permitted to say:

"Night's candles are burnt out, and Joeund day
 Stands tip-toe on the misty mountain tops."

It is an apt quotation, and will, we are sure, command the cordial "amen" of many a friend of education, both East and West. The article of which we have spoken was written mainly, it would appear, with a view to show what sort of a *school* the university is; that is to say, what kind of work it does, and how it does it. It speaks of the three departments, preparatory, collegiate, and law. We quote with reference to the first:

The preparatory department has two thorough, rudimentary courses of study, the classical and the scientific, designed to fit students for corresponding courses in the collegiate department. Latin is required in the scientific course, but no Greek. The classical course requires both of these ancient languages.

The class room drill in this department is admirable. Most of the teaching is done by the college professors, so that the students preparing for the college course are, from the start, taught with the greatest accuracy. What they learn, they are never under the necessity of unlearning. If boys or girls wish to fit themselves to enter this, or any other university, they cannot find anywhere a better teaching than in this preparatory department. Those who do not wish to enter college, but simply desire to take the course of study here prescribed, when they have completed it, are granted certificates of graduation.

Touching the collegiate department, Dr. Anderson says:

We come now to the collegiate department. Here are courses of study equal to those of the best colleges of the East. The scientific course is fully as strong as the classical. In forming these courses of study the fundamental and all important idea of discipline has been kept prominent; but there is no slavish adherence to old ideas and customs. The old has been preserved so far as it commends itself to the most enlightened reason, while there has been a readiness to receive all that is good and progressive in modern thought. The professors in this department are both enthusiastic students and teachers. They have evidently been imbued with the notion, which is so pre-eminently true, that there can be no genuine enthusiasm in teaching unless there is constant enthusiasm in study. In teaching they make

large use of the blackboard, whether they conduct lessons in mathematics, natural science, language, or literature. They think that a student is never certain that he knows a given thing, until he is able to write it accurately. The exactness in scholarship attained by this method justifies its wisdom. Examinations, too, occur not only at the close of each term of study, but frequently during the term. Many of these examinations are unannounced. This precludes cramming and excites the students to diligence in their daily acquisitions and recitations.

Under the present administration the marking system has been introduced, and so far it works well. It gives the stimulus that the average youth needs, and it is found that the children of larger growth are, by it, spurred to more earnest efforts. We are told, to be sure, that young men should be actuated by higher motives; that from a pure love of study they should do

their "level best;" but in practise it is found to be a good thing to brace the higher motive by that class of standing, denoted by marks, which show the relative excellence of the daily examinations sustained by the members of an entire class. On these marks hinge some of the most coveted honors of this university.

The ten students who stand highest, in all departments of study, during the last two terms of the freshman year, and the entire sophomore year, are the speakers at junior exhibition; the ten who stand highest during the junior year, and the first two terms of the senior year, speak at the commencement. The one who stands highest throughout the entire course has the place of valedictorian; while the second in rank has that of salutatorian. So that the university confers its honors on scholarship alone.

Two prizes are also offered to the sophomores for the highest excellence in declamation; and two to the senior class for the best English essay, the subject of which is named by the president at the beginning of the senior year. Another prize is about to be offered to the same class for the best thesis on some scientific topic. It is not found that the stimulus given by marks, college honors, and prizes, is, as it is sometimes objected, detrimental to the health of even the most ambitious.

Complimentary mention is made, also, of the department of law; and attention called to the fact, implied in some parts of what we have quoted, that ladies are now admitted to the university on the same terms as gentlemen. Dr. Anderson speaks in terms of high appreciation of the members of his faculty, while referring also in similar terms to some of those, as Drs. Boise and Mathews, who have formerly been connected with it. Profs. Sanford in the department of Belles Lettres, Howe in Mathematics, Stuart in Latin, Olson in Greek, Bastin in Natural Science, and Haydyn K. Smith in Political Economy, are deservedly commended to public confidence as cultivated scholars and strong teachers. We may add, on our own part, although this article is intended mainly as a *resume* of that to which we have referred, that in his own difficult position, Dr. Anderson himself is doing his work in the perfect way which was expected of him when he was called to its peculiar burdens and responsibilities. We learn that the prospect of a good re-opening early in September is very encouraging.

THE UNIVERSITY.

The affairs of this institution have reached a crisis which will draw to it, afresh, the attention not only of those interested in its welfare, but of the public generally. The question as to the property of the institution, and the whole financial interest involved, is to be tried in the courts, so that it may now be anticipated that upon one basis or another the matters so long pending will be brought to an issue that must be final. We can only give a brief outline exhibit of the present attitude of affairs.

The legal proceedings are inaugura-

ted by the filing in the Circuit Court of a bill reciting the circumstances under which the debt was created, and the failure of recent efforts to effect a settlement with the company holding the mortgage—the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Maine—and the embarrassments under which the university suffers with this mortgage hanging over it; and asking that for reasons given "the lien of the \$150,000 trust-deed may be declared of no effect; that the trust-deed may be canceled," and the company "perpetually restrained from taking any steps to foreclose the trust-deed."

The present mortgage, it seems, was given by the trustees of the university in 1876, covering the amount of the original loan, with accrued interest during several years, and interest upon interest, its amount being \$150,000. The complainants in the bill state that the original loan was \$60,000, so that the sum over and above this covered by the mortgage, being \$90,000, is made up of interest and interest compounded. They state, also, that the company has been offered the sum of \$50,000 as a settlement of its claim; this being regarded as, in the present condition of the university, and in view of all the circumstances, a fair and reasonable basis of settlement. "Many overtures have been made to the insurance company to settle the matter, but the latter will not make any satisfactory compromise and threatens to foreclose its trust-deed." The bill states at large the circumstances under which the original grant of land for a university site, in trust for a university, was made by Senator Douglas, in the year 1856, and claims that property so bestowed, being in trust for such a purpose, cannot be alienated, and that therefore the trust deed is void in law. It claims that the Insurance Company "had notice that it had no legal or equitable right or power to acquire the real estate," at the time the mortgage of \$150,000 was given in the year 1876, and that "both parties knew the property was held under an inalienable trust."

It is proper to say this bill is brought in behalf of the public, by the State's Attorney, L. L. Mills, Esq., and by two of the Regents of the University, Mayor Harrison and Hon. I. N. Arnold. The charter makes it the duty of the Regents to see that all trusts of the university are sacredly guarded, and it is in performance of this duty that, so far as the Regents are concerned, this bill has been filed.

We, of course, in the present stage of the affair, can do no more than simply recite these facts, as of interest to all our readers. It will be a satisfaction to them to know that this embarrassing matter is now at last in a shape to be finally settled, so that in one way or an-

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The Junior Exhibition of the University.

An audience that would be considered a fair-sized one at any time, and a large one when the stormy night is taken into consideration, was present on Thursday evening of last week at the First Baptist church, to hear the orations of seven of the Junior Class of the University. After prayer by Dr. Anderson, who presided during the evening, Mr. E. T. Stone gave an oration on the "Goal of Man's Ambition." This was to be obtained only by labor. Mr. C. S. Brown chose as his subject, "Agassiz," and gave an eulogistic account of that great scientist. "Ireland" formed the basis of the oration of Mr. F. H. Clark. He championed forcibly the cause of the unhappy Irish and laid all their misfortunes at the door of British misrule and tyranny. Mr. F. G. Hanchett had a good word to say for the much persecuted "Jews." He pleaded strongly for their character and claimed that they made everywhere intelligent and thrifty citizens. Mr. J. M. Russell claimed in "Motives" that true greatness was to be found in the impulses which prompted great deeds, and contrasted Napoleon and Wyckliffe, as examples of the false and true in human actions. In "Science and Poetry," Mr. J. A. Talbot proved that while science had robbed poetry of its mythological fancies, it has yet shown us that all nature is living and full of deepest interest. The closing oration, by F. W. Barber, was upon "Pernicious Literature." He traced the evils of a literature that was false to life and demoralizing in its tendencies, and said that the greatest virtue now obtainable was personal purity, and this could never be had while gloating over this trash.

The judges, Rev. Jas. Goodman, Victor Morritz, Esq., and James L. High, Esq., announced that, after some difficulty they had awarded the first place to Mr. Hanchett, second place to Mr. Clark and an honorable mention to Mr. Stone.

The orations were all creditable performances. The topics discussed were on a variety of subjects and quite out of the usual line pursued on such occasions, the absence of the stereotyped political themes being noticeable. It seemed to us that in almost every case the matter was better than the delivery, a fault which we are inclined to pardon, for few doubtless out of the seven young gentlemen propose to place themselves in situations where oratory of the highest type is in demand.

The Chicago Quartette furnished excellent music at intervals during the evening. Right here, perhaps, we may be permitted to refer to some of the selections made and to depre-

cate the singing of "Waltz songs," et cetera, in Baptist churches. It would be supposed that singers whose good judgment makes such charming selections would have such appreciation of the "eternal fitness of things" as not to offend good taste, to say nothing of the sanctity of the place by singing this class of music. The Chicago Quartette are not sinners above many others whom we have heard in like places. We also wish to pay our respects to the boys who prepared the "mock scheme" which was circulated through the audience. The vulgarity of the thing was only equaled by its vividness, and they are now doubtless heartily ashamed of themselves, or at least should be.

THE UNIVERSITY.

President Galusha Anderson, in a recent letter to the *Baptist Weekly*, notices an article which was furnished to that paper by one of its stated contributors, and in the course of it presents a view of the question now pending the occasion, as is well known of some criticism—which should have general attention. The argument of the writer referred to was that the present administration of the university should hold itself bound in honor by the contracts made by former administrations, and as thus bound, should make no attempt to protect the property against foreclosure. Upon this Dr. Anderson says:

My worthy critic recommends to us a course which seems to us opposed to sound morals. We, the trustees, are confronted with two contracts. One of them was entered into by the first trustees with the donor of the University grounds. That contract, in the most explicit terms, binds the trustees never to use for any other purpose than a university, this gift of the donor. That fundamental contract was formally ratified by the trustees; on the basis of it men were induced to donate many thousands of dollars that the generous thought of the founder of the university might be realized. Some time after the trustees entered into another contract, which is utterly at variance with the original and fundamental one; that which was forever devoted to the purposes of a university, and which they had formally and solemnly contracted to guard and hold for that sacred end, they put into a process of sale by mortgaging it. Now here are two agreements by that continuous body of trustees about which my critic writes, agreements utterly opposed to each other; but he teaches that the present trustees are bound by the agreements of their predecessors. But we can no more literally keep both of these contracts than a man can ride at the same time two horses which are going in opposite directions. And if we are to choose between these two compacts, good morals and good sense would lead us to stand by the original and lawful compact, rather than by that which was made in utter disregard of the formally ratified contract with the founder of this institution of learning. But my critic thinks we should disregard the most sacred and fundamental contract of our predecessors, and stand by the contract which, if carried out, obliterates the property of the institution which our predecessors in office were sacredly bound to protect. If he had thought the matter through, I cannot believe that he would have recommended a course so questionable in its moral qualities. Our position is higher. We propose, so far as it is possible, to keep both of the contracts of our predecessors; we propose to keep the original contract, both in the letter and the spirit; we cannot keep the second, therefore, in the letter, for that would compel us to turn over the property of the university to our creditor, but we propose to keep it in spirit; by doing all in our power to meet his just and reasonable demands upon us, while we deny, that on the terms of the original compact, this property is a lawful security for our indebtedness. Are we not right? Is

one compact more sacred than another? Have we morally any right to disregard either?

This is a lucid statement of the position of the university as regards the question of the obligation to pay the debt, as it is understood here. It may safely be submitted to the consideration of all fair-minded men.

CHICAGO UNIVERSITY.

[From the Baptist Weekly.]

MESSENGERS. The difficulties which have befallen this noble institution of learning, so soon after its auspicious establishment, must be deplored by the friends of education, not only in the West, of which it should have been the pride and glory, but in every other section of our country; and those who are immediately affected by these difficulties will have the heartfelt sympathy of all who know how to appreciate the worth of such a glorious enterprise. Having carefully read the discussion of this subject by your correspondents, "Free Lance" and President Anderson, I venture to make some observations upon the subject as set forth by their statements and arguments therein. There are some aspects of the case in which they do not see eye to eye; but they both appear to be candid, and the difference in their views may be owing, in part at least, to the different standpoints, from which they look upon the matter—one a city pastor far removed from the scene of the trouble, the other President of the University involved.

"Free Lance" takes a noble stand in favor of exact justice in the fulfillment of a moral obligation, and with commendable firmness denounces whatever looks like the repudiation of an honest debt. Dr. Anderson endorses these general principles, but does not approve of their unqualified application to the case in hand; holding that this is not an ordinary matter of debt and credit pure and simple. The facts of the case, as I understand it, are these: Something over twenty years ago Hon. Stephen A. Douglas offered to give ten acres of land in or near the city of Chicago for the foundation of a university, the conveyance thereof to be made or to take effect only upon the fulfillment of certain conditions specified in the proffer. The offer was accepted, the conditions fulfilled, and the conveyance taken, by a corporation organized for the purpose, and known as the Chicago University. As funds were needed for the legitimate purposes of the institution more than could be realized from other sources, the trustees, at different times between 1858 and 1876, borrowed of the Union Mutual Insurance Company of Augusta, Me., various sums of money to the amount of \$65,000 in all, on which it was agreed that interest should be paid at the rate of eight and ten per cent. per annum. And as very little interest has been paid the whole debt now amounts to the round sum of \$200,000. To secure the payment of this loan the trustees gave a mortgage on the aforesaid grounds. And as the University has no personal property sufficient to pay this debt, now a long time overdue, and the trustees are not individually liable, a foreclosure of the mortgage becomes the dernier resort of the insurance company. At this point a question is raised as to the validity of the mortgage; and the best lawyers of Illinois agree in the opinion that this really, having been conveyed to the University, not in fee simple, but only in trust for a specific purpose, the trustees had no power under the statute to alien-

ate the same, either by sale or hypothecation; and that the mortgage is, therefore, null and void, or at least voidable. Taking this view of the case the State's attorney and Regents of the University filed a bill in the Circuit Court of Cook County to have this mortgage annulled and set aside as illegal. Then the insurance company instituted a suit in foreclosure, and since that the heirs at law have commenced an action for a reversion of the property to the Douglas estate.

The legal question relating to this trust, the validity of the mortgage and title to the property, are thus in a fair way to be settled. But beyond the province of civil law there are some points of honor and morality involved in this case, on which your correspondents do not agree. And it would be well if these points could be settled, so far, at least, as to preclude further controversy thereon; more especially in case the courts set aside the mortgage, and give the University the chance of a new departure. That the trustees borrowed \$65,000 of the insurance company there is no doubt, and that this is a just debt which the University is in honor bound to pay, so far and so soon as it is able, admits of no dispute. It must also be held as under an equal obligation of honor to pay a just and reasonable sum for the use of this principal. And these moral obligations are unquestionably the same whether the present trustees are identical with or different from, the individuals by whom the debt was first incurred. For such obligations when once properly created under the corporate power of the University, cannot be affected by any change in the personnel of the board of trustees. And if that personnel is now entirely changed the present trustees have no more right to repudiate an old debt of the University than had the individuals by whom that debt was created years ago; or than the latter would have if they were still in power. But if trustees exceed their powers, and by the assumption of an unlawful prerogative, without any rightful authority, undertake or agree to do what is either wrong or impossible, that undertaking or agreement, so far, at least, as it respects any binding force, is a nullity, out of which no moral obligation to fulfillment can arise. Apply this to the case in hand. The grounds in question were given for a specific purpose, as a perpetual inalienable trust. To violate the law which protects that trust, and thereby thwart the benevolent intention of the donor by the alienation of this property, if that were possible, would be of itself a moral wrong. But as these grounds are not held by the University in fee simple, the trustees could not give a valid title thereto, by either an absolute or conditional sale thereof; as they could not make over to another a title which they themselves did not possess. Consequently the mortgage given by them to the insurance company was not only worthless in law, but of no effect in morals. It could not lay them under any moral obligation to do what the instrument itself promised to perform—what was, from the nature of the case, morally wrong and legally impossible. It is therefore evident that the refusal of the trustees now to make over to the insurance company this property, to which they themselves never had any title in fee simple, or to voluntarily surrender the trust, which they are legally and morally bound to hold forever inalienable, does not infringe any moral right of the insurance company, nor in any manner compromise the honor of the University. The debt belongs to the University, but the college grounds do not, and there could be no honor or morality in requiring or allowing the trustees to take property which does not now and never did, belong to them, but which was

by the very terms of the benefaction exempted from any such liability, to pay their own debt, simply because they have pledged it for that purpose.

It may be said that, if the University had no right to pledge these grounds to secure that loan, then the giving of the mortgage was a dishonorable transaction, for which some *amende honorable* is due to the insurance company; and unless this be made the honor of the University cannot be maintained. This is really the most important point in the whole case, and deserves to be carefully considered. If the trustees knew, when they obtained that loan, that they had

no absolute title to the grounds, and gave a straw mortgage with the intention to deceive the insurance company, they were guilty of a deliberate fraud in obtaining money under false pretences; and the University deserves the obloquy that is sure to follow such a transaction. Or, if without any such fraudulent intention, there was culpable negligence or ignorance on the part of the trustees, whereby that supposed security was accepted, they may be justly blamed, and the integrity of the University would be thereby dishonored. But if, on the contrary, the mortgage was given in good faith, without any such criminal intent or delinquency, on the part of the trustees, the honor of the University was in no way compromised. I think all agree that the offer and execution of that mortgage was a *bona fide* transaction; that no question having been raised as to the title, the trustees acted with the honest understanding that the tenure of their holding empowered them to convey. And it seems to me that the acceptance of the mortgage was the result of oversight on the part of the insurance company, for which the University cannot be held responsible. It was the duty of the insurance company to examine the title to that property in the interest of its stockholders for its own protection; and the trustees were justified in relying upon that examination as conclusive evidence that there was no mistake in their understanding of the title. Now, as the loan, which has brought all this trouble upon the insurance company and the University, turned upon the passing of that title, and the sole responsibility of passing the title rested upon the insurance company, unless my reason and judgment are egregiously at fault, the error of the company, resulting from the negligence or incompetency of its attorney and counsellor, not only exonerates the trustees from all blame in the matter of this straw mortgage but makes the insurance company justly accountable for the trouble and damage which this unhappy affair has brought upon the University. On these grounds I conclude that, if the courts decide that the trust is not inalienable, and that the mortgage is a valid conveyance, then the property will go to the insurance company in payment of the loan, and the trustees will not be chargeable with anything immoral or dishonorable in the matter. And in case the courts set aside the mortgage as invalid, the University will be held as not only free from wrongdoing and dishonor, but as having a just ground of grievance against the insurance company, and good reason for a liberal concession and general compromise in the settlement of its claim.

COMMENCEMENTS.

University of Chicago.

It was in presence of a magnificent audience that President Galusha Anderson delivered the Baccalaureate sermon of the University on Sabbath morning last. Nearly

every seat in the house of worship of the First church, above and below, was occupied; the congregation, it is true, to which Dr. Lorimer usually preaches, but one equally formidable and inspiring, all the same. The text of the sermon was in John xviii. 37: "Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end have I been born, and to this end came I into the world, that I might bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice." The theme of discourse was, "The chief characteristic of true kingship, as it is set forth by Jesus Christ." The course of thought followed developed the general idea that the ruling power, in this world, after all, is truth, and they are the true kings who by means of truth, above all truth as it is in Jesus, control and lead the thought of mankind. After discussing kingship as it was in our Lord's own time, and has so much been since, the sermon took up the evidences that the kingship of Jesus Christ has been, in the sense explained, realized among the nations of the earth, and with what result. These four were named:

I. Such evidence is found in those nations which are called nations of progress. The principles of Christianity more and more pervading the governments, societies, culture of these nations have supplied to them the elements of that progress which at length has placed them so far in advance of all former national attainment. II. It is found also in the laws of nations. Modern statutes and legal treatises are pervaded to a remarkable degree by the principles of Christianity. International law, contrary to what was once the case, regulates the relations of different people with reference, not to war, but to peace showing the prevalence of Christian principles and the Christian spirit. We find too that nations are strong in proportion as Christian truth and Christian principle are the ruling spirit in their institutions and laws. III. In the very armies of nations we find a like evidence. An army is strong, not altogether in proportion to its numbers, or the completeness of its outfit, nor even in proportion to the military skill with which it is handled, but according as those who compose it are convinced of the justice of their cause. The force of ideas has proved to be the true strength of armies. Behind the bayonet and the gun is a man, resolute and earnest in the maintenance of those rights or those principles, of which men have become truly conscious only as the truth of Christianity has instilled its own spirit and lesson. IV. In general, those men who rule the world through the supremacy of great ideas, are its real kings. This is recognized by us all as true, whenever we name the great men of the world—either the ancient or the modern world.

President Anderson closed with an application of the thought set forth to the circumstances of the young men immediately addressed—the class about to graduate at the university. He urged them to make this witness to the truth the ruling purpose of their own lives; old truth, as well as new truth; truth in the sense of loyalty to whatever is pure and worthy, as well as truth in that wide sense in which it rules the world—above all the truth which comes to us as we listen to him who said, "Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice." It was a strong, genuine, effective sermon, and was heard with high satisfaction.

The remaining exercises of commencement are in progress as we go to press. Announcement of them is given elsewhere among the religious notices.

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