

HIRAM PLAYS NEARLY WELL ENOUGH.

"Wal', Mirandy and me seen our first basket ball game last Saturday night," said Hiram Hayseed complacently to the crowd of idle rustics in the little store in Loafersville. "There wuz two reasons why we went: Becuz we hadn't nuthin' else to do an' becuz it wuz Hiram College that wuz playin' Allegheny. Now that college may be no relation to me an' agin it might as you never kin tell. Anyhow Hiram got beat 34 to 24.

"Wal', sir, I'll tell you you never seen such a thing in your life. Why them fellers just run around abouncin' the ball up an' down on the floor and throwin' it from one to another fit to kill. Then whenever they'd git it near one of the basket things at the end they'd try an' put it in. Every time they'd git it in the basket it counts so much, you know.

"There wuz one of them Allegheny guys they called Baker who could put 'em in the basket no matter where he was or whether he was on his head or his feet, by Gol. That feller Maxwell was on his job an' so wuz Hines an' by Heck they wuz all good. But the Hiram bunch gave 'em a good run fer it alright. They had two big guys about as high as Lem Brown's barn loft, an' when they'd git the ball it was just about the proper time to sing that song about 'Farewell, Allegheny.' En if it hedn't been fer a little fat, red-headed feller named Phillips guardin' one of them big guys, they'd got lots more then they did, b' Gosh.

"I heerd one ferrer say after the game thet it was one of the hardest games Allegheny had had fer some-time.

"Ef we'd knowed about it we could hev seen two games fer the same price as the team of the Prep. school there played Warren High School. When we came in they wuz playin' an' when Mirandy saw that she wuz scared we wuzn't goin' to get our money's worth because they'd started the game. Wal', just after we got sat down—you know we wuz sittin' right on a bench on the floor where they wuz playin'—two of the players came runnin' up near where we were, a-fighten over the ball. I guess they both wanted it an' they just went right into the crowd where we wuz an' like to knock Mirandy over. She wanted to go then, but I made her stay. Wal', these two guys still kep' fightin' for the ball and one of 'em hit the other'un. They didn't git to fight much on account of the Referee. He pulled 'em apart. The Preps hung it on 'em proper, 45 to 7. A little after that they started the big game.

"Didn't you never see one of them games? Wal', you want to go in some time. They say they got a good team this year, too. A feller handed me this score card an' every time they put the ball in a basket I marked one down here, and then when they made a foul I put one down over here. Don't you know what a foul is? That's when one of the other team does somethin' he's not allowed to by the rules. When the game wuz over they all yelled Rah! Rah! an' a lot a Latin stuff that they larned for that day, I guess. Hyer's the score card:"

Allegheny. Hiram.
Maxwell (Capt.) F. . . . Bradshaw
Baker F. Everhart, Miller
Hines C. Blair
Benedict G. Robinette
Phillips G. Hennessy
Baskets: Maxwell 5, Baker 7,
Hines 3, Bradshaw 4, Everhart 2,
Blair 3, Hennessy 1.

Fouls: Baker 4, Bradshaw 4.
Officials: Mayo, Erie, Hall, Hiram.

We can all be angry with our neighbor; what we want is to be shown, not his defects, of which we are too conscious, but his merits, to which we are too blind."—Stevenson.

The Ex-Cycles of Dunkirk play the Spirella team here Wednesday.

SING THEIR WAY INTO THE HEARTS OF OUR NEIGHBORS.

The College Glee and Mandolin Association made its first extended tour Thursday and Friday, Jan. 14th and 15th. Two concerts were given, the first at Oil City and the second at Franklin. Both organizations scored successfully as is shown by the following clipping from one of the Franklin newspapers:—

"A crowded house last night greeted the members of the Allegheny College Glee and Mandolin Club at the Court House, and everybody went home well satisfied. The program was not too long, as is often the case with such entertainments, and the selections had been made with good taste. The most popular performer, of course, was George S. Criswell, Jr., the leader of the Glee Club, who sang in a quartette and had a piano solo. His appearance was the occasion for prolonged applause and he rendered the overture from "William Tell" in a faultless manner. Responding to the heartiest encore of the evening, he rendered another selection that surpassed even his first. He sang well also in the quartette, which had a number in each part of the program. J. A. M. Stewart, in the aria from "Herodiade," displayed a bass voice of rare properties, and one of the most pleasing numbers of the evening was the Glee

DR. CRAWFORD ELECTED PRESIDENT.

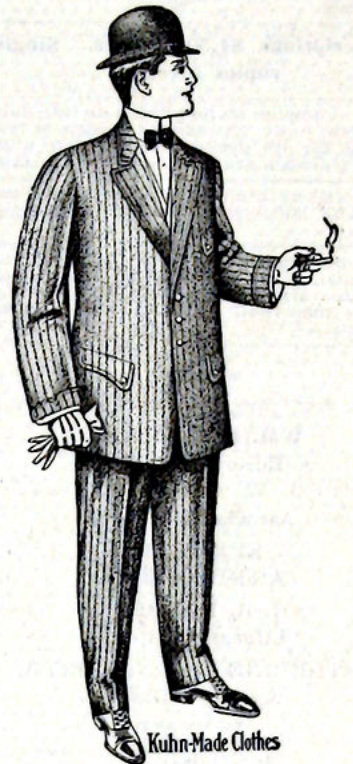
President Crawford returned from the Convention of College Presidents and Principles of Secondary Schools of the Methodist Episcopal church much benefitted by the trip and he has a most favorable word to say concerning the meetings he was able to attend. The visitors were entertained at Evanston and Chicago as guests of Northwestern University. The Methodist colleges and secondary schools of the country were well represented, and the topics discussed at the meetings covered the vital questions with which the leaders of higher education are concerned to-day. One important feature of the meetings was the report of committees, of which the most important was the committee appointed to consider a change in the constitution and define the scope of the association, with Dr. Plants as chairman. The advisability of establishing fraternal relations between schools in Canada and in the south. Five sessions were held, in which talks of ten to twenty minutes length were given by presidents of the different colleges on various "Every-day College Problems," "Secondary School Problems," "The Faculty and College Student Outside the Class Room," etc., making the ses-

A NEW ORATORICAL LEAGUE.

President Lewis of the Oratorical Association called a meeting of the association just before the regular Forum session Wednesday afternoon, at which some matters of great importance to the college were discussed. A motion was heard from the executive committee relating to a new oratorical league, which is being formed and which is to include Allegheny. The movement originated at Wooster, which first communicated with Dickinson and Allegheny relative to forming such a league. The suggestion came at a very opportune time, since there are now two winners of the Wakefield contest in Allegheny whom precedent forbids to enter another contest. Needless to say, the Oratorical Association voted unanimously in favor of the suggestion.

Other matters of interest to the student body at large were the arranging of the dates for the class debates and the Varsity preliminaries. These have been arranged for February 15th and 16th and March 15th and 16th, respectively.

With such contests as these in the future, it is safe to prophesy great oratorical activity in the various affairs. The talent already available in the field of debate makes success in that line almost certain.



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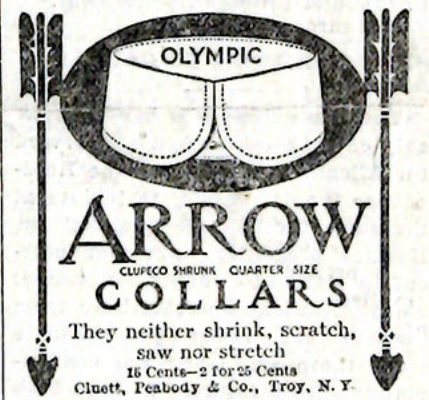
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Club number, "On the Road to Mandalay," with Mr. Stewart taking the leading part. Humor was injected into the program by Mr. Ruettger's recitation of "Dinkelspiel on the Seaside Shore," which convulsed the audience. Altogether, the program was a delightful one and the boys made many friends here who will be glad to greet them when they come back again. Judge and Mrs. Criswell entertained the members of the club at an informal reception at their home on Elk street."

With such newspaper comments as this so early in the season, the success of the club is assured. Manager Schaffner has several prospective trips in view.

FORUM IN STATE OF CONSTANT ERUPTION.

Notwithstanding the nearness of examinations, there was a fair attendance at Forum last Wednesday afternoon at the usual time and place. The debate was under the leadership of Hunt and Limber, and Swick and White on the affirmative and negative respectively. Some very excellent points were brought out on both sides, the vote resulting in favor of the negative by a majority of one.

The officers elected for the coming term were as follows: Speaker, Yost; speaker pro tem, Thomas; secretary, Swick; sergeant-at-arms, White.

Prof. Brown has some very excellent material for the debate, which may be had at any time from him.

sions of great interest and profit to everyone present.

At one of the business meetings of this conference Dr. Crawford of Allegheny was elected President of the association.

President Crawford noted the difference in the sentiments of the heads of the different institutions in regard to the religious attitude in their respective colleges. This is due to the fact that some institutions exist wholly within the church and are supported as Methodist institutions, while others like Allegheny are undenominational, being under the supervision of a Methodist conference. However different their views were on the subject, emphasis was laid by all on the importance of Christian character in the school.

The banquet Thursday evening, tendered by the Methodist Social Union of Chicago, was one of the very pleasant events of the convention.

"DUZER DU."

A meeting of the men comprising the cast of "The Rivals" will be held in the Allegheny Literary Society room in Bentley Hall January 29. At this meeting arrangements for regular rehearsals will be made, the plan being to rehearse several times in the few days' vacation. The men will have steady work till March 18, when the play is to be given in the Academy of Music. With the "all-star cast" the "Duzer Du" hope to put on this favorite comedy with Jeffersonian success.

A YOUNG MAN TALKS TO YOUNG MEN.

The Y. M. C. A. had an unusual treat last Wednesday evening, when the principal address was given by Mr. Ewing, a national representative of the Student Volunteer Movement. He based his talk on the last part of the 9th chapter of Matthew, emphasizing the 37th verse: "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few." As is in keeping with the work of the society which he represents, his talk was an appeal to the young men of the college to give themselves to the foreign missionary work. His description of past successes and present opportunities in the various missionary fields was very earnest and realistic, as was also his story of the beginning of the Student Volunteer Movement in Massachusetts some years ago, and its rise to the promising position it now holds. One of the most effective parts of his talk was the tribute paid to our own Bishop Thoburn for his work in India.

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AN HONOR SAFELY PLACED.

We experience a great pride in reading the Chicago papers which speak of the election of Dr. W. H. Crawford president of the Methodist College Presidents' Association, a news item of which appears in this issue of the Campus. This, according to the tone of the Chicago papers is an honor safely placed and it once again brings Allegheny College to the light through its president.

TWO MORE TIES TO HARVARD.

The news item of a new scholarship of \$200 established at Harvard for Allegheny students by the Huidkoper family, coming as it does at the same time as the news of Dr. Haskins' promotion makes our interest in Harvard doubly increased. Many Allegheny students have from year to year taken post-graduate work there and many are contemplating such a future. To have both a scholarship there and an Allegheny man on the faculty will be added ties to Harvard.

NO HONOR SYSTEM NEEDED.

The honor system of which so much is boasted by some schools is not as ideal as the system of our own College, or rather the absence of system here. In the schools where the honor system reigns tyrannical, the student dares not cheat. There is a tyrant who will cut off his head if he does. In Allegheny we believe that there is a class of students who refrain from unfair means because it is wrong to use them. At least the greater number do. The others who are dishonest are their own critics and we need not add one word of condemnation.

DR. HASKINS.

Dr. Haskins, formerly a student at Allegheny up until his Junior year, was recently made Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard University.

We have just received a marked copy of the Harvard Bulletin, which considers the matter of enough importance to speak editorially for one column and uses two columns of news space devoted to Dr. Haskins' life, a photograph illustrating the story. We are proud of our once schoolman, and feel that this honor will add greatly to the standing Allegheny already has among eastern schools.

THE LITERARY MONTHLY.

Never before since we have known the Literary Monthly—and that has been more than a college generation—has it been in better hands editorially. The writing of Mr. Lewis as Alumni Editor last year well foretold the spice and snap he would put into it as Editor-in-Chief and that

prophecy is now being fulfilled. The stories are good, but best of all is the Editorial department and the new column, "The Arena." The mechanical "get-up" looks like it might come from the far-famed Roycrofters, the only difference being that it is not so extreme and the printers work for money rather than love.

GREAT GOOD TO COLLEGE.

From the nature of reports appearing in the Oil City and Franklin papers proclaiming the success of the college Glee Club concerts last week, the college is greatly indebted to the club for the extension of her fame and the establishment of kindly relations between the college and the people in these surrounding towns. The trips taken by the club cannot help but impress the people with the fine type of manhood turned out by the college, coming in contact, as the club does, with the youth of the towns contemplating a college course. As a typical college organization the club can claim equality with any other body of men representing the school, both in the broadness of the interests involved and in the fact that the club represents the refined qualities of the student body.

The way in which the people welcomed the Allegheny boys both at Oil City and Franklin is indicative of their willingness to continue a longstanding friendship.

WE SUGGEST MORE CARE.

Although we feel certain that there could not have been any ill feeling back of it, we suggest more care in the writing up of games by students for the down-town papers. It is hardly the thing for a news item of a game to mention any reason why Allegheny failed to play a better game, or lost, if that ever happens. The mere story of the game is all that should go into the down-town papers. If there is any fair criticism of the basket ball team's passing or shooting, it should be made through "The Campus" by any person who cares to make it—and never in the town papers. What's the good of criticism if there do happen to be faults. Students generally do not read it. It does do harm, for it appears to townsmen that there is a spirit of criticism on the hill—which there is not.

And worse still are such statements when they come from a person who is not an athlete, who does not have even a passing acquaintance with athletics. And even worse than that when his criticism is wrong in the opinion of men who have watched Allegheny play basket ball for five or six years. We refer to an article written, we presume, by the student correspondent of a town paper. We do this merely to call attention to the fact that their should be more care exercised by amateur writers for town papers.

CAMPUS COMPETITORS, LISTEN!

The Campus Competition is still on the same old basis and is in charge of the Editor of this paper and two other men, a student, Mr. Nelson, and a faculty member, Dr. Elliot. All matter published is marked in three copies of the paper and the stuff unpublished is kept on file. All this goes to the judges at the end of the year. The College Council has been considering some good changes which we hope they will soon make, for it will relieve us of some responsibility and some work. However nothing definite has come to notice of this paper's editor. We write this notice to sort of stir up a few competitors who probably heard that the new system had gone into effect. Don't loaf. The man who keeps up the grind of competition all the year through is the one who wins out. Two weeks' work and then a week's rest will never do it. Also the Editor has not as yet become so familiar with either the writing style or the penmanship that he can tell whose competition he is handling without a name appears on the manuscript. True there is some stuff handed in that needs weekly revision and some that is so good it never needs touching. These we can usually pigeon-hole without seeing the writer's name, but the vast majority are the in-betweeners and we would suggest that to avoid confusion all manuscripts be labeled with the name of the writer. Any informa-

tion in regard to the competition will be gladly given by the Editor.

DR. SNAVELY'S DISSERTATION RECEIVED.

In the December number of the "Modern Language Notes" appears a criticism of Dr. Snavely's Johns Hopkins Dissertation, "Eeopic Fables in the Mireoir Historial of Jahan De Vigney," by George T. Northup of Princeton University.

Prof. Northup says in part: "Mr. Snavely has collected more biographical facts than any of his predecessors. * * * To sum up, the present dissertation offers a clear and scholarly account of the life and works of a little-known author. Mr. Snavely has his bibliography well in hand. The second installment of his work promises to offer more that is new than the first."

Such a review in the "Modern Language Notes" is a worthy acknowledgment of the splendid work done in this line by Dr. Snavely.

HUIDEKOPER SCHOLARSHIP.

An anonymous friend of the University has offered, and the Corporation has accepted, the sum of \$150 a year for three years, to establish in Harvard University a scholarship to be enjoyed by a properly qualified graduate of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa., who may desire to pursue his studies in one of the graduate departments of the University. The incumbent of the scholarship is to be chosen in the usual manner after conference with the proper authorities at Allegheny College. This scholarship may be held in two or three successive years by the same student if there be no other candidates. It is to be known as the "Huidekoper Scholarship," in memory of Edgar Huidekoper and Frances Shippen Huidekoper, of Meadville, five of whose sons were graduated from Harvard College.

Since this scholarship was accepted by the Corporation the stipend has been raised from \$150 to \$200 as the result of a gift of another anonymous friend.

THE FACULTY OF 1851-4.

President Barker was a man of very marked character. He was small in body, sprightly in movement, a good conversationalist, kind and affable in disposition, a good judge of human nature, very apt in the control of students, able to encourage the despondent, puncture the conceit of the egotist, and in every position in life a fully developed man.

The College owes great debts of gratitude to his memory for his devotion to its interests, and in laying broad and deep foundations for its future growing greatness. Never a student came to College who had a desire to make a man of himself, but thanked President Barker for his assistance.

President Barker was examining the essay of a graduate in his office and died in his chair. Someone entered and saw him seated with his head resting on his shoulder and thought him to be sleeping, touched him and found him to be dead with pen in one hand and paper in the other. Peaceful end!

Dr. Clark, Vice-President and professor of Greek, was tall, broad-shouldered, and had a rather cracked voice, not over pleasing as a speaker. He was not a success in the government of a student body. He was very apt as an instructor of Greek and in leading his students through the meshes of Greek roots safely and with great pleasure.

Professor Hamnett was sweet, affable and always a gentleman in class or out of it, and was highly respected by the boys as an instructor in Latin.

Professor William was gifted in the sciences and knew how to unfold the many secrets of nature, as he demonstrated in his laboratory before the boys.

Professor Kingsley was thought by some to be a little heavy in action, but when any heavy strokes were required to defend the truth or advance a needed reform in Church or State, Kingsley was the man sought after, and never failed to tell the vaunting Goliath upon the open plain in the presence of his many admirers. When roused he was never beaten in a conflict where right met error, truth falsehood, the cause of God that of the devil.

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PROF. DUTTON TALKS ON NAVY.

Twenty members of the Society of Applied Science enjoyed one of the most entertaining and instructive meetings of the year in Reuter Hall Wednesday evening. The program was of special interest to all present, the principal paper being on "Battle Practice of Modern Fleets," by Professor Dutton. The writer is a man able to treat this difficult subject in a way that appeals to the young man, having as he has a thorough knowledge of present-day naval tactics, and a vivid recollection of his personal experience on the water in his youth. His treatment of naval tactics was in simple and comprehensive terms. He contrasted modern naval gunnery with the equipment fifty years ago, showing the progress made in different lines. He cited the forces of Japan as an example of a well trained army and navy. Professor Dutton's description of gunnery practice was made doubly interesting by his personal reminiscences of his early training on the old battleship Constitution. Many questions asked by the members were answered in the course of the discussion. Current events were read by Nodine, who was voted into the society.

ST. VALENTINE FUNCTION FORECASTED.

Rumor, a flying messenger, has brought to the pen of the Campus staff a pleasant announcement of vital interest to the young men of the College. Considering the significance of St. Valentine's Day, the clamor made by the young men for some place to go to have a good time, and the flushed condition of the men's purses at the beginning of each term, the young ladies of Hulings Hall are planning a "Valentine stunt", which will relieve the purse, please the men, and work other miracles of mighty moment. The affair will come after matriculation fees are paid, thus eliminating all grounds for alarm on the part of the College treasurer.

At former entertainments of this nature a guarantee to refund money to any visitor has been in vogue. No case is on record of a single penny being refunded. With many successful parties given in former years as precedents, the success of the Valentine function can be safely predicted. Cupid will be present as an honorary guest. The "Valentine idea" will be demonstrated.

PREPS ANNIHILATE WARREN HIGH.

With one victory to their credit, the defeat of Warren High with a score of 45 to 7, the Preps are looking forward to a successful season and have already completed a schedule with several strong teams:

Sharon High School at Sharon, Jan. 29.
Erie High School at Erie, Feb. 6.
Erie High School at Meadville, Feb. 19.
Warren High School at Warren, March 4.
Dubois High School at Du Bois, March 5.
Kiski Springs School at Kiski, March 6.
Old City High School at Meadville, March 12.

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The Literary Monthly, like a lost star, has at last flashed across the horizon of the literary world and the astrologers are no longer on the anxious seat. This phenomena of the heavens has always been somewhat of a worry to the student of the heavens. Its date of appearance is supposed, according to all the known laws, to be monthly, but this body is more like a meteor in that it is somewhat vagrant in its visits, comes when it pleases and startles the waiting literary atmosphere with its brilliance. Like all forecasted events of the sky, it causes some uneasiness until it appears and it is determined that the results are not destructive. The last appearance was many weeks overdue and to at least five contributors it was a source of constant, nervous anticipation. To the waiting, reading world the nervous strain came when the phenomena appeared. "The Phantom Student" comes from the pen (no, it must have been a dull pencil) of a new writer to the college world, E. A. Apple. Judging from the hackneyed style of writing and the badly used and hackneyed old Christmas story, it will probably discourage the writer and he will retire from the literary moving picture light until he has been exposed to English I or at least until it takes effect. In some instances it is permissible to tell an old story over—providing the crowd hasn't heard it or that it is told in a new way, but "The Phantom Student" has neither attribute to commend it. It probably, with a few changes, graced the sheets of a High School publication—where it should have said goodbye to the world for all.

"The Dream-House." We cannot tell whether it is meant to be humorous or serious. If it is meant to be serious, it is humorous, but if it is meant to be humorous it is a very serious matter. At least we have Mr. Gilbert W. Mead to thank for a great revelation of new thought—that Duty and Love go hand in hand. That "hand in hand" sounds somewhat poetical and is we believe the usual phrase for beginning verse writers to use.

"His Brother's Keeper" is by the Editor of the magazine and is a very interesting story told in Mr. Lewis' usual good style, but it smacks a little too much of the dramatic toward the close.

"The Viking's Heritage" is only the result of a habit the writer, Mr. Wm. L. Stidger, has gotten into and like all habits could be overcome if the proper will power were exerted. The printer said when he read it, "Stidger must have been drunk when he wrote that one."

"The Rivals," by Mr. John R. Keister, is only the usual dry synopsis of an old comedy—not very attractively written and we predict that it will not be read by many people. We read the first two lines with pleasure and hoped to find other such in it, but were disappointed greatly.

"Denny—A Sketch," by J. Frank Sayre. Say, Mr. Sayre, you didn't say much in that sketch and your vague imitation of negro dialect is rather on the tangent. And in saying what you did say, we would like to know what you meant to say, Mr. Sayre. Because if we knew that, perhaps we could forgive, for you know there is a philosophy which teaches that only the intention counts against one.

"The Change" by A. J. Nelson, is a well-told story, and as usual, Mr. Nelson holds our interest to the end. Rather peculiar is the story, and we like that. Originality makes up for many faults, but a hackneyed style, or treatment, or plot, is absolutely inexcusable. Mr. Nelson is excused.

One truly literary thing about this month's magazine is the line-up of literary names. You would have to go far to find a better list: E. A. Apple—Gilbert W. Mead—Charles F. Lewis—Wm. L. Stidger and J. Frank Sayre.

On the whole, the Literary Monthly is well edited and certainly is better printed than any monthly that comes to our table. The Editor says editorially, "we face the New Year with renewed aspirations to better things and greater accomplishments." Good—that's encouraging.

Know That Other Fellow! He may not be so bad after all.

GEORGE S. CRISWELL READS PAPER.

A well attended meeting of the Classical Club was held Tuesday evening in the classical room in the library. The principal paper of the evening was read by George L. Criswell, a review of an article in a recent issue of the Classical Journal on "What the College and University Ought to do for the Student of Latin." Translations from the Greek and Latin poets, Horace, Ennius, Catullus, Sappho and others were read by Miss Sloane, Miss Beebe, Miss Thomas, P. B. Schaffner and C. W. Elkins. Dr. Elliott then favored the club with many short selections of humorous Greek poetry, to the delight of all present.

After adjournment the executive committee arranged the program for the next semester.

NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Just before the holidays word was received here that an Alumni Association of Allegheny College had been organized at Baltimore, Md. Frank Stockton, at present a student at Johns Hopkins, has been elected president of the new association. Among the prominent younger graduates of the college who are members are the Misses Hattie Johnston, Lettie Johnston and Jane Dermitt, all of whom are engaged in social settlement work in Baltimore.

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ALLEGHENY PROUD OF HER FORMER SCHOOLMAN.

Charles H. Haskins, formerly an Alleghenian, but graduate of Johns Hopkins, has recently been honored by appointment as dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard University, to succeed Professor John Henry Wright, who died Nov. 25, 1908. Professor Haskins was born in Meadville Dec. 21, 1870, and entered Allegheny in 1883. He entered Johns Hopkins University at a very early age and was graduated in 1887 with the A. B. degree, receiving his Ph. D. in 1890. Since then in the intervals of teaching he has done advanced work in history at Johns Hopkins and at the Universities of Paris and Berlin. On his graduation at Johns Hopkins University he was appointed instructor in history at that institution, but in 1890 he accepted a position as instructor of history at the University of Wisconsin, where he was given the chair of professor of European history in 1891. In 1900 he was called to Harvard University to lecture on history, and his increasing reputation led to his appointment to full professor in 1902. His course is the largest and most popular at the University, having annually about 500 graduate students. Harvard honored him last year by conferring on him the degree of Master of Arts and in conferring this degree at commencement President Eliot used these words: "Charles Homer Haskins, a student and teacher of history at Johns Hopkins University, the University of Wisconsin and Harvard University, a productive and distinguished scholar at each one, welcome indeed to this society of scholars."

Professor Haskins was prominently mentioned as a successor of President Eliot, but it is understood that the fact that he held an honorary degree and was not a graduate of Harvard weighed against him.

The following editorial concerning his election to Dean Wright's position recently appeared in a prominent Boston newspaper; it is a statement of the high esteem in which he is held at Harvard and a recognition of his unquestioned ability in terms of highest praise:

"The election of Professor Charles H. Haskins as dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard is a proper recognition of a man who in a very brief period—since 1902—has won the highest respect of the students and teaching bodies of that institution. His strength and ability have also been known throughout the university circles of the whole country; yet to the graduates of Harvard living in this neighborhood he has been comparatively unknown, because of his strict devotion to and absorption in his work. So it was not strange that when his name was canvassed and strongly urged for the presidency it was received with surprise by old Harvard men hereabouts. Mr. Haskins is one of that very able body of men turned out by Johns Hopkins in its early and, we may say frankly, best days. His subsequent experience in Wisconsin university and his familiarity with the general course of educational matters throughout the country have been invaluable to Harvard authorities, and many of his suggestions in faculty meetings have been most informing and stimulating. By a singular coincidence two of the strong professors of history at Harvard, Haskins and Hart, were born and reared in Western Pennsylvania, and the freshness and vigor of that region have been evident in their work and methods. No teacher in Cambridge has been more popular

than Haskins, and his scholarship is recognized everywhere. Thus, with the equipment of forcefulness, scholarship, poise and popularity, it is not surprising that he has been promoted to Dean Wright's very important post there."

DR. CRAWFORD'S "THE CHURCH AND THE SLUM."

Eaton & Mains of New York City have recently published Dr. Crawford's latest work, "The Church and the Slum." This volume is a collection of the letters revised and rearranged, written by Dr. Crawford for "Zion's Herald" while on his recent tour of the British Isles.

The book is written in a fascinating style, which enthralls the reader to such an extent that he devours each line and paragraph, eager to see what is waiting farther on.

Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, in his introduction to Dr. Crawford's book, pays the author the following splendid tribute. He says: "President Crawford has rendered American Methodism, and indeed all Christian churches, a signal service by chronicling here the results of his trained observation. I trust that the book will be widely read and duly pondered. It is the authority for the United States on these large practical experiments that have been made by the Mother Church of Methodism."

The volume is profusely illustrated with cuts of the various representative mission halls of England and of the leaders in the Wesleyan Forward Movement Work. The book describes the wonderful and inspiring work that is being done in "not only soul-saving, but men-saving" in the Manchester and Salford Mission, Central Hall, Liverpool; Central Hall, Edinburgh; Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield and Birmingham and in the London Halls.

In writing of the Manchester and Salford Mission, Dr. Crawford gives the following amazing figures as a general index to the amount of work done in these wonderful, up-to-date mission halls, where the work of Christ is being carried on in the manner it ought to be and in which America is so greatly lacking:

"There are in the mission 15 centers of work; 22 services are held every Sunday; 4,338 scholars are in the Sunday schools; 3,242 are in the Sunday afternoon meetings, and in the adult Bible classes and brotherhoods. Every week there are 33 prayer meetings, 9 Bible classes, 49 open-air services, and 21 lodging-house services. Over 41,000 persons, destitute or in special difficulty, were interviewed, advised, and helped this last year in connection with the special work, and 27,986 destitute men were fed on Sundays. Four Homes and Refuges, with labor yards and workrooms, are maintained, and 220 cripples have had their lives brightened by the Cripples' Guild and the Industrial classes."

In writing of the popular Saturday evening concerts at Central Hall, Liverpool, the author says that an hour before the concert was to commence two lines of people, each line two abreast, one extending 176 yards, the other 118 yards from the entrance, were lined up before the doors. Twenty minutes before the concert commenced twenty-two hundred seats were filled, the doors shut in the face of 500 people.

Dr. Crawford's wonderful method of telling of some of the most wonderful Christian work being done in the world to-day assures the work a splendid reception from the reading public.

WHAT DID YOU SAY?

Sam Rossiter spent Sunday at his home in Erie.

P. B. Schafner preached at Edinboro last Sunday.

Will Dalzel of Cochran Hall is sick with the grippe.

R. R. Ross, '81, was a visitor at the Phi Delta Theta house Sunday.

J. McClintock was the guest of "Tax" Miner Tuesday and Wednesday.

"Tax" Miner was in New York City for a few days last week on business.

Miss Leah Taylor of Sharon visited Miss Marie Fisher, '12, Saturday.

Miss Jessie Fitch has been out of college the last week on account of illness.

Miss Dresser, a missionary from China, was visiting Miss Beebe Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Moore and Miss Nichols were among the guests in Hulings Sunday.

J. F. Barber was the guest of James Graham at the Phi Kappa Psi house Monday.

Mrs. Billings of Greenville was the guest of her friend, Miss Mary McLaughlin, '09, over Sunday.

C. R. Adelsa and the father of G. W. Canfield were guests at the Delta Tau Delta house on Monday.

Coach Pratt of the Meadville High school was at the Phi Delta Theta house for dinner Sunday.

Phi Gamma Delta entertained the Misses Laufer, Straw, Duffy, Beebe and Edson at dinner last week Friday.

Miss Una Duffy led the meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Sunday evening. The subject was "The Best in College."

The men on the Warren High school basketball team were entertained after the game Saturday night at the Phi Kappa Psi house.

Mr. W. H. McCune, State, '04, of McKeesport attended the basketball game last Saturday night and was a guest at the Phi Gamma Delta house Sunday.

Robert Mackay, Norman Davis and Wil Cameron of the Warren High school basketball team were guests at the Phi Delta Theta house Sunday noon.

Harry Ewing was a guest at the Phi Gamma Delta house Wednesday evening. Mr. Emig, the state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., in company with Mr. Koehler, the state student secretary of the Y. M. C. A. spent several days of this week on the campus.

SERMONS ON GREAT MEN.

Rev. T. C. Chase, pastor of the Park Avenue Congregational church, announces a series of sermons to be preached by himself on four great men, Napoleon, Mendelssohn, Saint Bernhard of Clairvaux and Lincoln. He will take up one character each week at the evening service, beginning with Napoleon Sunday evening, January 24. His subjects are very timely chosen, this year being the centennial anniversary of Lincoln and Mendelssohn.

MR. HARLEY GOULD TELLS HOW IT HAPPENED.

A meeting of the Scientific Club was held Tuesday evening with a timely and live program. The special feature of the meeting was a paper on "The Sicilian Earthquake" by Harley Gould, accounted briefly as follows: Only two other earthquakes known were as disastrous as this one which entailed the loss of nearly 200,000 lives—that of Yeddo, in Japan, in 1703, and Antioch in 526. Of the 45,000 inhabitants of Reggio, in Italy, 40,000 perished, and 98,000 were estimated to have been killed in Messina, a Sicilian city of 200,000 inhabitants, besides the thousands in the neighboring towns.

The cause of the earthquake was the pressure of heated water on the earth's crust causing a wrinkling and distraction of the earth's surface.

Dr. Lee had an interesting report to make on the American Association of Scientists, having attended the convention at Baltimore December 29 to 31, 1908.

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