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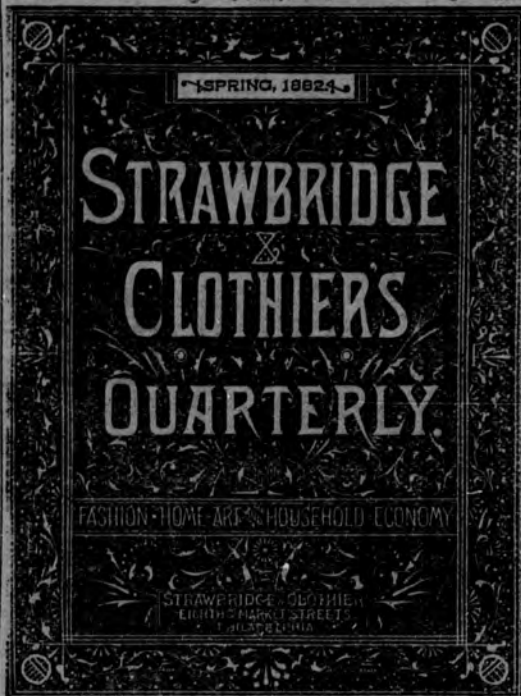
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From "Browsing Among Books," by Alba Gould Wootson.
College Commencements.

Some few things on this mundane sphere must ever remain mysteries to the finite mind; and of these the origin of the term "College Commencement" appears to be one. Why that which is in reality an end should be formally proclaimed as a beginning, can only be explained as a part of that preference for sound and bluster over simple sense, which the use of this sonorous word implies, and which marks more than one proceeding of the closing days at college. A more exact designation might, perhaps, have been expected of learned bodies who make the nice meaning of terms a specialty; but then the profane and ignorant public should be thankful that the occasion is christened in plain English, which they can, at least, pronounce, if they may not comprehend.

Time was when Commencement Day was as good as a muster to the region round-about, and only second, in attraction, to a travelling circus.

Then farmers left their hoes in the field, and farmers' wives forsook milk-pans and churns, and started off at dawn, with their eager families, that they might have the whole day for hanging around the college grounds. They looked in, occasionally, at the church, where dignitaries sat in perspiring state, behind swaying palm-leaves, but their energies were chiefly devoted to the attendant glories without. Those were the days when the Governor and the military came in glittering array, with brass bands before, and brass bands behind, and rows of awe-struck boys, gaping along the routes; when straggling side-shows tempted from many tents and shanties, and pop-beer and ginger-bread, dispensed at open stalls, kept the thirsting, hungry crowds alive; when the soldiers dismissed, at the church, went capering past, like "wanton troops riding by," and a series of small scuffles and accidents could always be counted on to vary the lagging hours. But, alas! the glory of Ichabod has departed; the roads are no longer crowded with well-filled wagons; the groups assembling at the college are mostly sedate and elderly men; frolicsome lads and lassies have vanished from the green; and, save the pitiful swell of impassioned eloquence, that pours through open windows, there is nothing to show that Learning is holding high carnival in her venerable halls. Class-Day is accused of having wrought this change to its own advantage; but it has borrowed no features from the past; and if it attracts the greater crowds, it is because the amusement it furnishes is of the more original sort. Hangers-on, and wandering showmen, once made the hilarities of the

Commencement; but the managers of Class-Day need no such outside help, for they have set up as their own clowns, and mountebanks, and can defy competition.

Class-Day stands as a newly-ordained festival of an order of students, who have heretofore had no lot or part, in the literary exercises of graduation. These last were established and regulated by the sage authorities of the college; and only those who had been good boys, and conned diligently their books during the preceding year, were suffered to make their bow before admiring friends.

Now, Chaucer tells us that at Oxford, in his day, there were the clerks, who loved their books, and there were those who cared only for sporting, and fine apparel; and human nature, during the lapse of five hundred years, seems to have made but little head-way. The great number of young men who now step from our colleges with plenty of money, and a paucity of brains, and who have led, for the most part, a roistering life in those academic shades, giving their precious days to boating, racing, and ball-play, while cutting recitations, and dodging tutors, have felt, on leaving the scenes of their exploits, that it was rather hard to be obliged to take the back seats, and let the hard-headed old plodders sail in with all the honors. Here was too jolly a chance for display; and with plenty of friends, and resources, their obscure condition was not to be endured. They took matters into their own hands, and devised Class-Day; and thenceforward they set to work to make it splendid, with gorgeous spreads, dancing, merry-making, ridiculous costumes, howling, scrambles, and the whole pow-wow of its established rowdyisms. Since externals and noise always carry the day with the young, it has won to itself the favor of fair maidens, and forced brave men to smile approval. Every thing and every body, has at length been pressed into its service; and even the dignified and slow commencement has been hurried up for a good month, that it may be linked with the new festival, and, with it, form a timely and fitting close to a collegiate career. One day, then, of Commencement-Week, is to be sacred, ever after, to fun, jollity, and exaggerated nonsense; the corporation and faculty agreeing to look on with infinite condescension, as becomes a body of Solons when engaged in superintending the gambols of high-spirited young savages.

Whoever would see Boston's dowagers at their acme of resplendent attire and radiant smiles, her damsels in their most ravishing toilettes, and her gilded youth in their blackest broad cloths, and yellowest kids, all borne along in shallow, boat-like barouches, under arching

elms, and a cloudless sky, must wend his way towards Harvard on Class-Day afternoon; and should he chance to behold the dancing in its open hall, he would believe that he has wandered into Arcady, where Corydon and Phyllis are leading up the Lancers, to the sound of timbril and lute. But an hour later, if he looks over those yard-palings, he will see the Phyllises, the matrons, and all weak and infirm persons removed to a safe distance, and the Corydons transformed into such leaping, howling figures, that he shall wonder whether they be Bowery roughs out on a festive lark, or a set of enthused young Hottentots, performing their religious rites. Strange are the yells, and horrible the incantations that come floating to him, then, on the summer air, from that college yard; and did he not know that it took four years of special devotion to logarithmic tables, Greek aorists, chemical formulas, and theological theses, to produce such results, he might be tempted to pity their unfortunate condition.

Such, to the casual observer, is Class-Day,—the chief attraction of Commencement-Week; for, though other exercises vary, the first few days, they are of little interest to the general public. After this comes the slow-paced, venerable Commencement-Day, when as many of the graduating class as may be alive, and in moderate possession of their faculties, appear in public procession, and, with grave faces and staid demeanor, walk behind their instructors and earthly rulers, to the village church, which they enter to slow music, and with suspended breath. All trace of the hyena and the South Sea Islander, has departed, or lies decently latent under the white vests that spread so immaculately over their manly bosoms. They feel themselves about to join that great army of the alumni, who have been in session in the town since early morning, if they did not assemble at their annual meeting the evening before, not edifying each other, as heretofore, by relating their boyish pranks, but discussing, as the rumor runs, certain bold, revolutionary projects concerning the college management, the very suspicion of which sets the President and faculty shuddering with cold tremors, and the elderly divines, who constitute, in part, the corporate body, clutching their gold cane-heads with unwonted grip.

According to the present arrangement, but few things are needed to make Commencement-Day a success. The heavens appear, invariably, to smile on these occasions, and to beam their warmest approval upon the scene. Certain annual celebrations always bring upon us certain weather. No one can doubt that, if we had

three months continuous fast days, musters, and religious anniversary weeks, we would experience a second deluge: and that if college festivals were strung along, one after the other, to the very edge of dog days, we should be afflicted with a season of tropical heats, compared to which the rays of the baleful Sirius would promise a relief. It is, probably, out of regard to a scorched and suffering world that these festivals have been condensed into one week of early summer; and once having passed this brief period of oppressive languor, we may hope to see the mercury drop, now and then, below the hissing nineties.

Good weather being relied on, the first requisite in arranging Commencement exercises is manifestly to secure the attendance of some attractive lion, perhaps a stray major-general, at all odds, the Governor, and any other dignitary of titled condition, who may happen to be travelling in the neighborhood. These, and the goodly number of the alumni, which the fresh interest awakened in our colleges during the past few years is sure to bring, enable the trustees, faculty, and orating graduates to take their seats upon the stage, at the appointed hour, confident that all will be well. After the Latin salutatory, to which every one listens with breathless interest, and, let us hope, with inward satisfaction, to its close, the audience lapses into a state of semi-stupefaction, induced by the heat and the steady flow of sounding periods, which even frantic appeals to the spirit of liberty, the memory of our fathers, the late war, and the future of the Republic, fail to dispel.

Ladies brighten up at the advent of each new aspirant, as he appears in faultless swallow-tail coat, lavender neck-tie, and ambrosial locks, resolved, it would seem, to personate Beau Brummel and Daniel Webster, rolled into one; and coquettish maidens single out the most attractive for audacious flirting, in the very face and eyes of the State authorities, and even turn upon the latter the batteries of their smiling glances when other victims fail. At last, the maidens steal out of doors for a stroll, with rambling members of the class, whose names, by a mysterious arrangement which their friends cannot explain, fail to appear on the programme, though they are known to be transformed into some strange Carolus, or Guilielms, in a roll of parchment that lies awaiting each graduate at the President's right hand. More heroic souls sit through the philosophical orations, the forensic disputations, and all other ponderous and oppressive titles with which somebody christens on the bills, the compositions of these fledgling orators; and in which said fledglings give indisputable proof that they have swept through all history, sacred and profane, are up on the wars of the Tartars, have the Zendavesta at their tongues' end, and survey the whole range of temporal affairs, with the calm, grand out-look of an elevated stoic. The showers of bouquets that thump the toes of these retiring heroes, prove that,

somewhere before them, bright eyes are awake and aware of the progress of events. When the last candidate for irregular honors has followed the validictorian, when the degrees have been distributed, and several honorary initials have been conferred upon those whose favor the college wishes to secure, and who will consent to the infliction, a line of march is taken up for the dining-hall; and there, after the protracted fast, we picture them all, as seated in solemn conclave, transformed into a close avenue of rapacious cormorants, and bent only on devouring whatever flesh and fowl may come in their way. As no foot of woman is suffered at such times to step into their august presence, we hazard this as a mere fancy sketch. But we know, from hear say, that the President is able to rise afterward and relate, in the blandest manner, the benefactions that Alma Mater has received during the past year, to direct urgent appeals for additional funds to the plethoric pockets before him, and to pour, at the last, as best he may, conciliatory oil on the rising antagonisms of alumni and trustees. Other speeches follow, and there is an end.

The reception in the evening brings to the young orators the compliments of their female friends, and affords to the latter a chance to display their loveliest attire; and what greater bliss is possible to youthful hearts?

Thus passes Commencement-Day; and thus passes a new group of educated, ambitious young men, the flower and hope of the land, out over the threshold, to face the sober relations of life.

Concentration Essential to Success.

How few of the vast number of men that are capable of rising, whose minds are qualified to grasp the most profound questions of science, and to become skillful in art, and versed in literature, ever leave upon the world a deep impression by their work.

Go to the primary school, and among fifty boys, may be found twenty-five of, comparatively, the same ability. At college, may be found, probably, the same proportion of young men of almost the same ability. Thus they go from boyhood to manhood, shoulder to shoulder, it being oftentimes found difficult to separate the superior from the inferior. They enter upon life on an equal, and to them is given the choice of labor, perseverance and eminence on the one hand, and dissipation and illiteracy on the other.

The wisest course in life is that of concentration, by which is meant the bringing together of all the essential elements of success—perseverance, labor, and an indomitable determination—and the exercising of them towards the object of one's ambition. By it only can a man attain eminence, for there has never yet been found a "royal road" to fame or fortune. . . . The highway of life is crowded with stumbling blocks, with stragglers, who are ever at hand to

check the course of success. An uninterrupted course of success is an impossibility, for all have their trials and tribulation.

The skeleton hand of poverty may descend upon the ambitious and check for a time his successful course; the world may pass him by with its cold neglect and cast upon him its scornful frown; but if he has that buoyancy and resistance and determination to give him new interest, the wounds will quickly heal and the fiber will be the tougher for the hurt.

Concentration is the secret of success, and strength in war, in politics, in business, and, in fact, in all human affairs.

Though it is the one prudence of life, dissipation is the worst evil. Dissipation, no matter how great or how small, or in what channel of life, works its bad influence to a surprising extent. It leads to indolence and irresolution, which are the principal causes of failures.

But there are some that work and toil, seemingly, with the greatest determination, but seldom meet with success. We think them unable and despairing. Not so; they are misplaced. They have engaged in, or have been compelled to engage in, a pursuit for which they are not adapted. Put them in their proper places, and if they have the qualities which have been named, they will pursue a prosperous and successful course, and show abilities hitherto hidden. Every man has an inclination which he must obey, and it is as he feels and obeys this, that he rightly develops the faculties required for the object of his inclination and attain his proper position in the world. One has a desire for a sea-faring life; to be happy and successful he must go to sea; another would be a lawyer; another a doctor, soldier, or mechanic. Each must follow the bent of his respective inclination and concentrate his faculties for the success of his pursuit.

There is no luck in results. Men with their respective pursuits enter upon life upon an equality; some by the concentration of their faculties are successful; others through dissipation, become reckless, lose interest, and fall below their former equals, and are heard of no more.

All successful men have agreed to one thing—they are *causationists*. They believe things go not by luck, but by law, and nothing is gotten for nothing. SECUNDUS.

Latin Speaking.

The time for preparing Latin speeches is approaching, and I learn that the students are looking forward to it with some trepidation. Permit me, for their encouragement, and as a specimen of free and easy Latin oratory, to present through your columns, a Latin speech of Lord Dufferin, a distinguished English statesman. It was delivered under the following circumstances. Lord Dufferin, when in Ireland in 1856, was invited to dinner by the Governor, in company with the Bishop, the Chief Justice, and other notables.

After dinner, toasts were drunk, and it was in reply to one of these that Lord Dufferin delivered his Latin speech. The toast in his honor was given by the Bishop who accompanied it with a Latin speech; of course Lord Dufferin felt bound to reply in the same language. The following is the speech, or, at least, a part of it. "Viri illustres, insolitus ut sum ad publicum loquendum, ego propono respondere ad complimentum quod recte reverendus prelatius mihi fecit, in proponendo meam salutem: et supplico vos credere quod multum gratificatus et flatificatus sum honore tam distincto. Bibere, viri illustres, res est, quae in omnibus terris, domum venit ad hominum negotia et pectoras, requirit haustum longum, haustum fortem, et haustum omnes simul: ut canit poeta, unum tactum naturae totum orbem facit consanguineum, et hominis naturae est—bibere.

Viri illustres, alterum est sentimentum equaliter universale; terra communis super quam septentrionales et meridionales, eadem entusiasma convenire possunt; est necesse quod id nominarem? Ad pulchrum sexum devotio! Amor regit palatium, castra, lucum. Dubito sub quo capite vestram jucundam civitatem numerare debeam. Palatium? non regem? Castra? non milites? Lucum? non ullum arborem habetis! Tamen cupido vos dominat haud aliter quam alios—et virginum Islandarum pulchritudo, per omnes regiones cognita est. Bibamus salutem earum et confusionem ad omnes bacularios: speramus quod eae carae et benedictae creaturae invenient tot maritos quot velint—quod geminos quottanis habeant, et quod earum filiae, maternum exemplum sequentes, gentem Irlandicam perpetuent in saecula saeculorum."

For an extemporaneous Latin speech this is certainly very good. Delaware College can furnish good Latin and Greek scholars—not equal perhaps to those of Oxford and Cambridge in England—but such as will compare favorably with those trained in any of the Colleges of our own country. And as they will not be expected to "speak in public on the stage" an *extemporaneous* Latin speech, but one for which they will have several weeks to prepare, I do not think there is any ground for apprehension or discouragement. It is customary in some quarters to decry classical studies, but be assured that the study of Latin and Greek will continue to be in centuries to come, as it has been in centuries past, essential to a thorough and complete education.

J. L. V.

Hope.

No passion is more firmly fixed in the human mind than hope; for, when all things else have failed us, this yet remains. In the midst of all kinds of reverses we hope for prosperity. In the midst of sickness we hope for health, and in the midst of death we hope for life. Neither is their any passion of the mind that has so little claim upon us, for, as often as it is

greatly indulged in, there arises disappointment.

If hope, led on by an inflamed imagination, raised us above the common level of every day life, the disappointment that is sure to follow sinks us as far beneath that level as we were raised above, and the mind is kept, for a time, in a miserable state of uncertainty. In the season of youth, when the imagination is most prolific, the mind readily falls a victim to an excess of passion. We hear of some distant land where nature has been most lavish in her gifts—where the sky is seldom obscured by clouds—where the breezes are ever laden with the perfume of a thousand flowers—where fortune is easily acquired. The picture pleases us, and we long to be at liberty. But when, in after years, we visit the scenes of youthful speculation, all is changed. The elements are frequently disturbed, and the sun is hidden for days at a time. The perfume of flowers greets the sense, in the vicinity of flower-gardens, where they are cultivated. Fortune is the result of perseverance, industry, and a life devoted to its acquisition.

We have been deceived, but the deception, as we think, has taught us the great lesson. We are now wiser. We know how to direct our course in future. Hence we make new resolutions, and draw up a plan for future action. Time passes, our resolutions are forgotten, and our plan, so wisely conceived, has proved a failure.

But hope does not desert us until this process has been repeated again and again, and a lifetime has been misspent. Yet, hope, to the well balanced mind, may be a great blessing—Pleasure consists not so much in the attainment as in the pursuit of an object. If we desire anything, reason tells us we may not hope to attain it unless there be an honest endeavor in that direction. By nature we are grasping, and our desires are numerous. Hence we are ever kept in pursuit of something. This something may be an object worthy of pursuit. It may be pursued in a manner reflecting much credit on the pursuer, and yet never be attained. For, owing to the changeability to which all temporal things are subject, nothing is certain.

But he who fixes his hopes on the reward of a well-spent life, insures for himself all the pleasure that can be derived from the present state. Since the pursuit does not end until death, there can be no disappointment in this life, at least. By the very nature of the pursuit, the pursuer must lead a life of temperance, honesty and love to his fellows, the result of which is contentment, the more completely the mind is adsorbed in the pursuit, the more completely is it separated from the cares to which the rest of mankind are subject.

Such is the hope in which all may indulge, without fear of disappointment. Such is the hope that enables us to bear poverty, oppression, and persecution without a murmur. If the prize held up to us be fictitious, nothing is lost. If the prize be something really within our grasp, all is gained.

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JOHN SELBY HOUSTON.

Born in Sussex county, Delaware, 1859. Died in Wilmington, in 1883. These were the limits to the

earthly life of the young man whose name will always be held in grateful remembrance, by those who knew him. But by none will he be more lovingly, and even reverently, remembered, than by those who knew him from early childhood. John S. Houston was the son of Dr. David H. Houston, Treasurer of the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad Company, and a nephew of the Hon. John W. Houston, Associate Judge of the State and County Courts. He was born near Lewes, and since a short time after his birth his home has been in Lewes. He was a pupil of the Lewes Union High School; he received a preparatory course at the Conference Academy, and afterward entered Delaware College, graduating in 1879, taking the degree of Bachelor of Arts. After a three years' course of legal training, under the direction of his uncle, Judge Houston, he was admitted to the Kent County Bar, in October, 1882. Shortly after his admittance to the bar he removed to Wilmington, in which place he was engaged in the practice of his profession at the time of his death. He was, as a boy, noted for his quiet manners—never in trouble, and liked by every one who knew him. He was observing, studious, and persistent, was apt to learn, fond of reading, and possessed of a retentive mind. While pursuing his collegiate studies, he was sincere in his work, and eager to obtain a capable mind; as a scholar, he won the respect and kindest regard of the professors; as a student, he was liked and admired, and obtained the confidence and esteem of his fellow students. While at college, he became a member of the Presbyterian Church, and has ever since lived the life of a consistent Christian. By his individual efforts he established prayer meetings in the college, and was ever engaged in trying to acquaint his fellow students with their God, and pleading with his associates, he accomplished a work which will, for years to come, remain fresh in the minds of the people, in this locality. He was a member of the Delta Phi Literary Society, was persistent and prompt in the fulfillment of his duties, as a member, he so cherished his society that, to be present at the meetings was among the most pleasant enjoyments of his college career. His life, notwithstanding it had hardly been permitted to reach its prime ere it was cut off, was of such thorough integrity, and, consequently, so consistent throughout, that we have only to glance at any portion of his short career, to find there the marks and proofs of a man of no ordinary ability. Added to his ability, was the most fearless adherence to the truth. No combination of circumstances could blind his perception of what was right; no sophistical plea of expediency could beguile him into the support of a questionable measure; still less could he be moved by an appeal to his own interest, to do any other than the right. It is needless to say that such a man was always brave enough to follow his convictions. These qualities of his life and character were due, in a large measure, to the thoroughness of his early training and apparent youthful predilection. Mr. Houston had a great tenderness for those near and dear to him, his father and mother were loved with an holy affection, his regard for his brother was so great that no bonds could sever them, his uncle was bound to him by ties, only equaled by those between father and son, and it is to these dear and unfortunate ones that the sad blow has pierced the deepest; and they are left, only to think of one who was the star of their hopes, and the joy and delight of their life. It is unnecessary to say that Mr. Houston's death was regretted outside of his immediate family, it was a loss in which the State had to share, and everyone who admired a true and loyal spirit, a noble and Christian character, a high and ennobling mind, will contribute their sorrow to this common-felt loss.

"Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the north-winds breath,
And stars to set—but all,
Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O, Death!

"Youth, and the opening rose,
May look like things too glorious for decay,
And smile at thee—but, Death, thou'rt not of those,
That wait the ripened bloom to seize their prey."
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ALL MEMBERS of the Association who desire to have their names, which will appear in these columns next month, square with the REVIEW, should not fail to hand in their dollar on or before the first of June. This matter should have been attended to long ago, but we now trust, mainly, upon the honesty and truthfulness of the members who have signed our constitution.

WE have not the least objection of the students reading our exchanges, provided they will take proper care of them. We have noticed that several of our latest exchanges have been torn into pieces, articles clipped, and otherwise injured so as to make them almost useless to the editors. We cannot permit such destruction to be made with our papers, and unless they are better taken care of and more appreciated, we shall be compelled to take some measures that will preserve them.

OUR base ball nine has played its first match (?) game, and a glorious victory for them it was. The nine proved themselves quite able players, and the 76 to 16 was not made without considerable effort on their part. It is really amusing to see the amount of conceit that falls from the Association Niner's when they are talking base ball matters. They may meet such a club as they met on the 12th inst., but we think their equals would be hard to find in this State. Our nine will have a chance to display their skill when they cross bats with the Chester Academy boys.

FROM THE PRESENT out-look, the annual commencement hop this year, will be on the sick list. We sincerely regret the absence of such an entertainment, but, without the push to get it up, the affair will certainly "die in its tracks." No doubt, the fact of the fewness of the indulgers of the light fantastic among the students is sufficient excuse for not having the ball. There will, probably, be a party of a different nature this year, and should there be such, there is not the least doubt, that it will

lack either interest or attendance, on account of the absence of an evening devoted entirely to dancing.

THE STATE of Delaware would not, at the last session of the Legislature, recognize the wants and needs of Delaware College. However, poor as the college is, she will live, and will continue to shower credit and pride upon our little State, regardless of the ill-treatment she received. Delaware College will continue to send men from her doors, who will, in time, guide and protect our State; not men who lust only for power and gain, but men who have loftier and more ennobling sentiments, men who have a good education, and can be trusted with the ship that will surely fall into their charge. Though the parent be ungrateful and unkind, she has a dutiful child, and may well be proud of her.

WE KINDLY take the suggestion of the Georgetown *Delaware Democrat*, that a college paper should not meddle with the affairs of our State Legislature. Yet, brother, you must remember that we are not as liable to forget a wrong, as our last Legislature was prone to make them. In our last issue, our real feelings may have obtained possession of our better judgments, in our interfering with matters which did not directly concern us, but, we promise you, in the future to keep more directly in our sphere. But, notwithstanding this, several members of the House did not treat us right, and the cause which was so just in itself, was treated not only ungentlemanly, but un-honorably by them, as we could prove to you, would space allow. Now, kind and suggestive brother, do you think they (the members of the House) treated us honestly and fairly?

THERE IS an article contained in this number entitled "College Commencements," which we took from "Browsing Among Books," by Abba Gould Woolson. The article is a finely written one, and portrays, quite vividly, the Commencement times of not many years ago. We are sorry that there is not exhibited a little of the old-time spirit in the Commencements of the present time; and in view of bringing out a little life at our next Commencement, we heartily commend the sentiments of the article, and publish the essay in full. It appears to us, as though the joys and pleasures are fast disappearing, and in time our commencements will be of such a nature that only the most scholarly minds can relish them. This change has been very rapid, and should time not check its transformation, there is little doubt that commencements in the future will be attended only by Aristotles, Demosthenes, and Ciceros, (if we have any in the present age,) and the graduates themselves will be drowned in the seas of efforts by which they strive to impress a slim audience as to the vastness of their mental calibres. Such may be the state of affairs, but, God forbid!

THE ELECTION of the officers of the Press Association, and the editors of the REVIEW for '83-'84, takes place next month. There will, no doubt, be a warm contest, as there are a number of aspirants for the positions on the paper. It is a question that has been greatly dwelt upon for the past few weeks, as to who should be the ones elected to fill the editorial staff. We think the members of the Association who have done the greatest amount of work for the REVIEW, should receive some recompense for their labors, and as this is the only legitimate manner by which the Association can bestow honor upon whom honor is due, we think that this should not be lost sight of by the members at the election. This idea has been opposed by certain persons, the most of whom are seeking some position on the staff at the coming election. It can be readily perceived why the opposition is made to our idea. The disregarding of past actions would no doubt put these persons into office,—they have no record to show why the trust should be put into their hands, but, by a proper amount of "w-e-pulling" and undaunted check, they procure the positions that should be offered, at least, to the meritorious, and not to the real office-seekers, who bring out their knavery rather than their merits to secure the election.

A STUDENT, a few days ago, put the following question to us for solution: "What is a class day?" Owing to the fact that the inquiring student was a freshman, and never having been present at the exercise of class day, we overlooked the simplicity of the question and wanted to inform the inquiring youth, when *mirable dictu*, we, an editor, "infallible and all wise," was at a loss for an answer. Think of it, an editor unable to tell what are the features of a class day. Well, we have to plead the same excuse we offered for the freshman; we have never been present at the exercises of a class day, and consequently was as ignorant as he on that point. Having taken a few hours reflection on the subject, it occurred to us that class day was a day during commencement week which was set apart for the festivities and jollities of the students, the senior class, of course being the directors. We stated the conclusion we had reached to the freshman, whose facial expression was the picture of joy and happiness, and he put this question to us, "can freshmen enjoy the delights of class day?" We responded affirmatively, and we then summoned up our courage and told the poor fellow, that neither seniors, juniors, sophomores nor freshmen, could share the delights of class day, while at Delaware College, as the day has never been instituted here. The expression of joy left the face of the—might have been happy—freshman, and was replaced by the worn, hag- and non-expressive outlines that can be traced on every face in our institution. The young fellow asked us "why don't we have a class day as other Colleges do?" Owing to our long

silence, our friend left us with the question unanswered. We were able to answer the question, but preferred to remain silent, and to every student and to every one interested in the College, we ask their solution of the question, put to us by the innocent freshman, "why don't we have a class day as other Colleges do?"

COMPLAINTS have been made by several persons, in regard to students yelling at persons passing by the College. The persons who have made the complaints have, indeed, just reasons for their action, for some students have certainly disgraced themselves here of late, by yelling, fiend-like, at persons^a passing by our institution. The rowdiness has been carried so far that people have a dread of passing the College. Now, isn't this a pretty state of affairs? Think over it, student. Who is it that you are trying to disgrace, yourselves, or the College? You have already disgraced the College, and you would meet the same, if not a worse fate, if your names were known. No gentleman, nor no young man, who has received the most limited amount of training at home, would ever dare hoot at an inoffensive person, and such actions will ever be regarded with contempt by well-bred and common-sense people. Our College is supposed to contain gentlemen, and each student is regarded as such until the contrary is known of him, and it is a shame for a few uncouth and ill-bred fellows to be allowed to bring discredit upon the College it has over been our pride to hail from. What can be the motives of the students acting in such a manner? Do they derive any pleasure by injuring the feelings of others? Do they think it is manly? We fail to recognize any object that a person can have in acting in a manner so contrary to common-sense and good-breeding, unless it is to acquaint their fellow-students with their true character and home-training. We hope the students will give this matter proper consideration, after which they will neither indulge in, nor tolerate, such rude conduct.

THERE IS a report in vogue that we have more than enough money to pay all our expenses, and that we are at a loss to decide what to do with that which remains. This is false, utterly false. Rather than being able to declare a dividend, we are preparing to lay an extra assessment upon the members of the Association. We rather expected to have a surplus in our treasury, but large and frequent drafts have reduced the treasurer's account to a figure with the *minus* sign prefixed. We greatly depended upon a little aid from the graduates, and old students, but they have received the REVIEW regularly, and not a cent have a majority paid for it. Our readers must not think we are growling, or dunning them. It is true that we have expected to receive some amount from our readers, but, after having read our editorial in last month's issue in re-

gard to subscribers, and they feel unwilling to give us anything, regarding our efforts during the past year as unmeritorious, to them, we simply give you the paper freely, hoping its contents have afforded you as much pleasure as it does us to bestow the gift upon you. As we stated in the previous number, if you think our efforts in any manner have merited your support, we will be pleased to receive any amount that you may feel able or willing to give us. We need the money, but we neither beg it nor compel you to send it to us. If you send us anything we extend to you our sincerest thanks, and will forward you a receipt by return mail.

EDITORIAL NOTES.—We have just received, through the courtesy of the marshals, an invitation to the commencement of Wake Forest College. The invitation is one of the most handsome we have ever seen, the design being exquisite, faultless and appropriate. We would be pleased to be present at the exercises, but our home duties will not permit us. . . . A few days ago, we had a very delightful trip to Pennsylvania. At Philadelphia, we visited our numerous advertisers, and found them busy as bees. They stated to us, however, that they would be pleased to see any of the students, and if they wished to buy anything in their line, they would furnish them an article that could not be equalled in the city for the money. We specially recommend our student, to patronize the houses found in the REVIEW; they have been kind to us, and will be to you. If the students do not wish to patronize our advertisers, let them give them a call, thus showing their appreciation of the aid they have given us during the past year.—At Swarthmore, we had a pleasant view of the handsome buildings of Swarthmore College. We think the students would regret to leave such a beautiful institution, even to spend their summer vacation.—Our trip to Media, the most beautiful town in Delaware county, was a most enjoyable one. At this place, we had occasion to visit Brooke Hall, one of the oldest and most creditable young ladies' seminaries in the State: It has a large number of students who are doing splendid work, under the guidance of Miss Eastman and her worthy and efficient corps of assistants. . . . Boys, we are on the home stretch of '83. . . . On the 19th inst, in a game of Base Ball, the Acme, of Newport, defeated Delaware College, by a score of 11 to 17.

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Who is the noisiest boy in College?

Who is the dude of Delaware College?

Commencement day is on the 20th of June.

The strawberry season will soon be upon us.

Who is the most boisterous young lady in College?

Commencement bouquets will soon be in bloom.

Angel food does not agree wi' earthful mortals.

It wasn't such a great joke at the party after all, was it?

Students have begun practising the pieces for the declamation contest.

The election of officers of the Press Association takes place within a few weeks.

The class of '83 have most properly chosen Trask as their class photographer.

The arbutus season is about over, and that excuse will hereafter be unseasonable.

We have a pawn-broker in the building. He will put his three gilded balls out soon.

The College Faculty have been quite busily engaged in preparing the College catalogues.

The swimming season has about dawned, already "Duey" has thrice thrown himself into the arms of Neptune.

A "pick" Nine from the College, have been giving the Association Nine some very tight squeezes here of late.

We fear that some of the students take more interest in the exercise at the door after church, that they do to the religious exercises.

The Delta Phi Literary Society passed a set of resolutions, and have drapped their hall in respect of their deceased member J. S. Houston.

If the College fathers are going to make a pasture of our campus let them procure a place where the field sports will not be interfered with.

Would it not be a good idea for the janitor to remove the old dead stalks of trees on either side of the walk leading from the stile to the College.

"The early bird catches the worm," said a certain student as he *flew* out the front door of a down town house at 2 p. m., pursued by an indignant papa.

"O, where is my boy to-night?" sang a maid, of some fifty-years of age, as she was standing in the front door awaiting for the accustomed visit of her sons (?) or grand sons.

The shade of trees is generally sought in the day time; several persons were lingering beneath the trees in the rock campus a few evenings ago.

Our local editor is yet on the sick list. We are glad, however, to inform our readers that he will be at College in a few days, his sickness having been over-balanced by a good constitution and a favorable spring.

The regular "spelling bee" meetings will terminate on the evening of the 20th of June. We will, perhaps, give the name of the person who has been at the head of the class, most, during this Collegiate year.

What was the object of the faculty in compelling the students to procure military caps if they are not compelled to wear them at drill? It certainly could not have been to attach an unnecessary expense upon the students.

The Delaware College Association Base Ball Club, have procured uniforms, and their appearance now is quite "nobby." The suits consist of white pants, white shirt, blue cap, blue stockings, blue belt, and white shoes.

The students are complaining of making a pasture of our campus. The students protested strongly against this wrong last season, but the faculty seems unwilling to bring into effect the wants of those who *make* the College.

A certain senior had the audacity to write "parlor" on his door. We do not wish to cast any reflection on the senior or his room, but, for the credit of the students and the reputation of the College, we entreat of him to erase it before commencement.

There are a number of applicants for the positions on the editorial staff for the coming year. We hope there will be so many aspirants as to necessitate a choice being made, and the choice a good one for the position.

A sociable was given at the Academy on the evening of the 29th of April, the students of the College constituting the larger portion of the party. The evening was spent in a manner enjoyable to all; the vocal and instrumental music was greatly appreciated. At ten o'clock, the party repaired to the large banqueting hall, where were spread plenteous refreshments, to which the party, not excepting the hospitable principal, did full justice.

Our campus is certainly looking beautiful; the verdant carpet, beneath the umbrageous lindens gives a truly delightful picture, and while the robins and blackbirds fill the trees with social cheer and jubilee we feel as though everything within our vision and hearing, proclaims with untiring voice the joys and delights of gentle spring.

Responsive to invitations, a large party gathered at the residence of Miss Anna Wilson, Friday evening, 11th inst. The intent of the gathering was evidently to have a good time, and if every guest did not enjoy the evening, it was their own fault. Some games of "ye olden time" were revived, and indeed,

added greatly toward the evening's entertainment. Instrumental music was indeed a feature in itself, while the vocal solos were a rare treat. Miss Reynolds and our ever present personal editor, precisely at 10.15 p. m., led a line of about twenty-five prepossessing couples to the dining hall, where ambrosia, and such delicacies were waiting the disposal of the throng of light hearts. After an evening of unsullied pleasure, during which time the most child-like fancy having been appeased, the party bade the hostess good-night and departed for their several homes, with hearts as light as air.

As Spring has opened the fishing season has begun. An editor threw his line out of one of the room windows a few days ago, and caught a fine pickle-rel. The day following he cast his line, and some kind nymph of the sea fastened upon the hook (?) a package, the weight and appearance of which at first startled the "lone fisherman," but upon investigation a bottle of excellent lemonade was brought to light. Owing to the fact that the package, among other luxuries, contained lady-fingers, it gave us a clue that lady fingers must have made the package, and here we desire to thank the young lady for her gracious and bountiful gift, and had it not been for the lady-fingers we would have in all probability given the credit to some fair nymph of the sea.

On Friday evening the 4th inst., the music-loving people of Newark enjoyed a rare and delightful musical entertainment by the Philharmonic Orchestra, in the College Oratory, under the auspices of the Athenæan Literary Society. The programme was rich and elegant in its arrangement, and carefully and artistically fulfilled. The instrumental music was excellent, and the cornet solo was particularly fine; the vocal solo, by Prof. C. B. Rhoads, was a feature of the evening, as was that of Miss Taylor. We have no hesitation in pronouncing it one of the finest musical entertainments ever given in the College. After the entertainment, the orchestra, and several invited guests, in the care of the members of the Athenæan Society, repaired to the residence of D. W. Caskey, where a sumptuous collation was in waiting for them. The affair was most creditable from beginning to end, and will occasion the retrospection of many of the partakers.

On Saturday the 12th inst., the College Nine, accompanied by a number of students, went to Delaware city for the purpose of crossing bats, for the first time this season, with the Delaware City Club. The party left Newark about ten o'clock a. m., arriving at the City at noon, and after an excellent dinner at Bradway's Hotel, the Club repaired to the diamond. The game was called promptly at two o'clock, and the game from beginning to end was a "walk away" as the following score will verify: Delaware City, 16; Delaware College, 76. Our boys distinguished themselves by their heavy batting; and tramping the entire round of bases without a stop, was a very common occurrence. Our boys were quite jubilant with the success of their first contest, but we have very serious doubts of their meeting such a "picnic" again this season. Arrangements are being made for match games between the Conference Academy Club, Dover, Del; Christiania Club; and Hyatt's Academy Club, of Chester, Pa.

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Ray—Lizzie M. Ray is now teaching at Milford Cross Roads, Delaware.

Merrill—Austin H. Merrill, A. B., paid us a visit on the 12th inst. Austin was on his way home from Michigan, where he has been teaching elocution.

Register—Francis Register, Ph. B., has recently graduated from the Law Department of the University of Michigan.

Martin—John Martin, A. M., paymaster U. S. N., is at present in France.

McDowell—T. R. McDowell, A. B., officiated at the White Clay Creek church, in A. M., and the Christiana church in P. M., on the 14th.

Heald—W. H. Heald, '83, who has been detained at home by illness, is convalescent, and hopes to be at his accustomed place in a few days.

Pilling—John Pilling, '85, who, for a week, has been away from College, through illness, is again with us.

Snyder—J. D. Snyder, formerly of '85, paid us a visit on the 4th inst.

Tolson—Allan B. Tolson, '85, has been employed as clerk, with one of our merchants, during the past week.

Pearce—John F. Pearce, M. D., is practicing at Kirkwood, Delaware.

Grinnell—Sarah Grinnell, B. L., is teaching at Newark Academy.

Wiley—Andrew J. Wiley, Ph. B., is engaged with the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. surveying corps.

Ferris—Sue W. Ferris, B. L., is teaching school at Summit Bridge, Delaware.

Exchanges.

Now is the time when the editors of our exchanges are making their bow, and are stepping from the journalistic stage. It is with profound regret that we part with some of our unknown brothers, and our hopes are now mainly based on the idea that the "new-comers" will be as pleasant friends as those to whom we now offer the farewell shake. As this is about the close of the collegiate year, and the editors, having gained no little experience since their first paper, there has been wonderful improvement made in each and every one of our exchanges. New editors, give us your hand, and welcome to our band; retiring editors, shake, we have enjoyed your acquaintance, and hope, sometime in the pilgrimage of life, to give you a *real* shake of friendship. To the one, welcome, to the other, good-bye.

The *Soule College Courant*, is one of our new exchanges, and is itself a new publication. Its first appearance was in January, and was then scarcely attractive, but as time taught it a little experience it profited by that experience, and its April number is, indeed, handsome. The paper, young as it is, will compare very favorably with some of older and more pretentious ones.

Why is it we have not heard from the delightful little *After Taps*?

The *Occidental Mirror*, of Colorado College, is a tip-top paper, bright, spicy, and meritorious. An article entitled the "Right Use of Talent," pleased us.

From Beloit (Wis.) College, we receive the *Round Table*, a paper whose age (Vol. XXIX) demands our reverence, and whose merits deserve our praise. It is a splendid paper that we will ever be pleased to read.

Horae Scholasticae, wouldn't you like to exchange?

The *Academical*, of the University of Cincinnati, is one of our latest exchanges, and we are, indeed, proud to receive such a neat and interesting paper. The May number contains a well written article, entitled, "Classics and Sciences;" a "classic harper" after having read the article, and provided he has sound sense, could not possibly advocate the superiority of a classical education over that of a scientific.

The May number of the cute little *Rugby Monthly* is, as usual, bright and interesting.

It gives us pleasure to speak praiseworthy of the *Cornellian*, from Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa. It is carefully and ably edited, and while I will bear the greatest inspection, it will be a pleasure and profit to the inspector to handle such a paper.

Mississippi College contributes to our exchange table a bright, and shining paper, in the *Electric Light*. Shine upon us often.

We are, indeed, happy to receive among our exchanges, the *Turf, Field, and Farm*, of New York. It is undoubtedly the finest sporting paper in the United States, and is invaluable to the sportsman, and the farmer.

The *Hobart Herald* is again with us, after a short absence. We were becoming uneasy about such a creditable paper.

Should we be asked to produce our finest exchange, we think there is not the least doubt but that the *Vanderbilt Observer*, would, in our judgment, receive the honor. It is an ideal college paper, indeed; perfect in every department, and a model of neatness and beauty. It is an exchange we ever hope to keep on our table.

Hailing from Richmond, Va., comes the *Richmond College Messenger*, a paper that, for the first time, we have the pleasure of perusing. It is an excellent publication, and reflects much credit upon the institution from which it comes, and the editors who so ably conduct their several departments. It will always give us pleasure to receive such a *Messenger*.

The *Aurora*, from Iowa State Agricultural College, is a paper that we take the utmost pleasure in placing upon our exchange list. Each department in this paper glows with brightness, and gives information and pleasure to all who read it. The typographical part of the *Aurora* is a feature in itself, and is a splendid example of a beautiful college paper.

The May number of *Roanoke Collegian* is excellent.

The *Astrum Alberti* comes to us from Belleville, Canada, and, notwithstanding that the year of its birth is 1883, it is chaste and unique. We read it with much pleasure, and we hope its bright appearance will ever be prominent upon our table.

No brighter paper has been in our hands than the *College Mercury*, of Racine College, Wis. Common sense is a feature of every article, and beauty is apparent in its general appearance.

The *Princetonian* is now published weekly, and we felicitate its managers for their enterprise. It has so increased in taste and elegance that it is an ornamental, as well as instructive, and pleasing journal.

We have received, and read with pleasure, the *Democrat-Advertiser*, of Flemington, N. J., one of the best weekly papers published in our sister State.

The last number of *Badger* is very interesting. The spirit of improvement is with the *College Transcript*. April number of *Colby Echo* is good. The *Carletonia* is filled with fidelity. The *Sunbeam*, of April, failed to accuse some one of being in love with her. A more interesting paper is hard to find than is the *College Student*. The *Swarthmore Phoenix* is much prettier than Mrs. Langtry. The managers of *Washington Jeffersonian* made a very creditable bow before the public in the April number.

We have also received the *Philosophian Review*, *College Record*, *Asbury Monthly*, *Tomahawk*, *School Chronicle*, *Derby Academician*, *King's College Record*, *Lafayette College Journal*, *College Days*, *High School Index*, *University Portfolio*, *College Cabinet*, *University Press*, *College Review*, and *Wilmingtonian*.

Inter-Collegiate.

Is it true that Harvard is still afraid to row with the University of Pennsylvania?

The *Princetonian* says: It is reported that the Committee of the Trustees have nominated Dr. Storrs, of Brooklyn, as the next president. We may expect a dozen such reports, and should believe none.

In ridiculing Princeton's Kennel Club, and her fanciers of setters and pointers, an exchange suggests inter-collegiate dog shows.

Compulsory athletics, at Cornell, will probably be adopted.

At Williams, from the list of speakers proposed at the Adelpic Union meeting, the names of Beecher, Ingersoll, and Taluage have been excluded by the faculty.

Columbia Seniors will escape with an assessment of only \$5.

Cornell wants, now, some one to endow a chair of rhetoric.

Yale's new chemical laboratory is to cost \$60,000.

The Seniors at Dartmouth have elected Carl Schurz for commencement orator. On the first ballot thirty wanted Ingersoll, and twenty were for Blaine.—*Ex.*

Old Williams and Mary College has stopped exercises for want of students. With all her illustrious alumni, lawyers, judges, and presidents, it seems strange that some enthusiasm in her behalf, whether mental, physical, or pecuniary, might have shown itself. There was one student last year—but even he has now deserted, and one of the oldest and richest colleges of the country has closed its doors.

The Athletic Association of the University (Penn.) and the Committee of the Trustees, have met to discuss the site for the new athletic grounds, and gymnasium. They agree in their views, and as all the plans are drawn up, nothing is needed for their completion but the action of the Trustees. The grounds will consist of a base-ball and foot-ball field, surrounded by a fine track, with the gymnasium at one corner. The lot at Thirty-sixth and Pine street has been selected.

The *Melange*, of the Lafayette Junior, is out, and we hear it to be a real work of art. Why not send one to the REVIEW?

The Senior vacation of the Michigan University is to be discontinued this year. Much discontentment has already appeared.

The chess game between Columbia and Princeton is progressing but slowly. Both have lost a piece, but are strongly placed.—*Ex.*

By the withdrawal of Michigan from the Western Collegiate Base-Ball Association, the latter consists of University of Wisconsin, North Western University, and Racine College.

Cornell has two rifle corps in practice.

The Harvard faculty have surprised students in general, by granting permission for the bicycle races to occur at Beacon Park, on the 23d.

The Yale College faculty has ordered that when Seniors or Sophomores injure a Freshman they shall be punished just as if they had injured a human being.

The University of Cambridge has added a new college to its number, and that addition is very successful. It is called Lelwyn College, and is the first college added to the new University during the present century.—*Ex.*

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Be sure to heat the water in the tea-kettle the first time, no matter how odd it seems.

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Then go away for 20 minutes to one hour—by the clock—and let The Frank Siddalls Soap do its work.

NEXT—After soaking the FULL time, commence rubbing the clothes LIGHTLY on the wash-board AND THE DIRT WILL DROP OUT; turn the garments inside out to get at the seams, but DONT use any more soap; DONT SCALD OR BOIL A SINGLE PIECE, OR THEY WILL TURN YELLOW; and DONT wash through two suds. If the wash-water gets too dirty, dip some out and add a little clean water.

If a streak is hard to wash, rub some more Soap on it and throw it back into the suds for a few minutes. NEXT COMES THE RINSING—which is to be done in lukewarm water, AND IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF GETTING ALL THE SUDS OUT, and is to be done as follows: Wash each piece LIGHTLY on a wash-board through the rinse-water (without using any more soap) AND SEE THAT ALL THE DIRTY SUDS ARE GOT OUT. ANY SMART HOUSEKEEPER WILL KNOW JUST HOW TO DO THIS.

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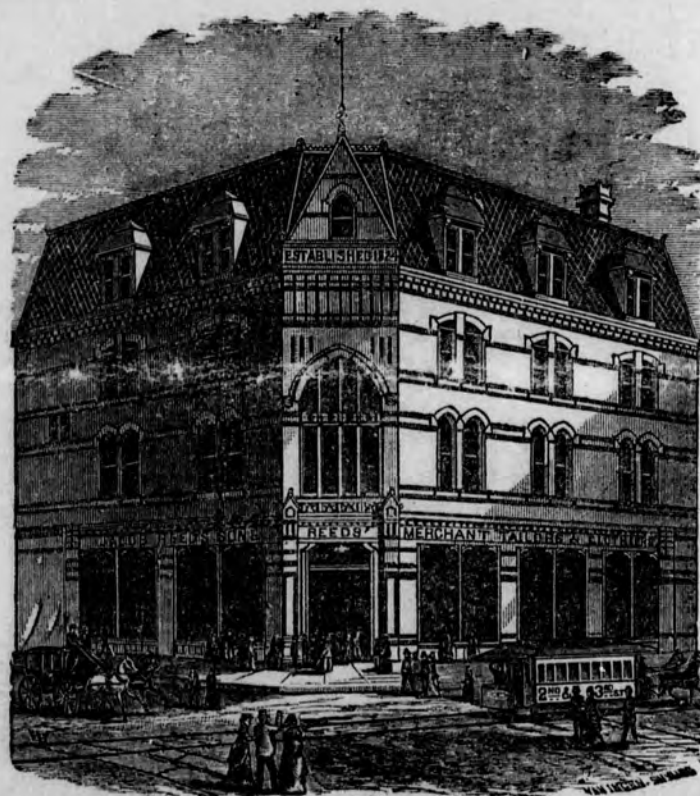
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