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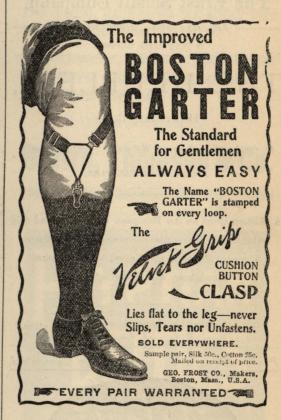
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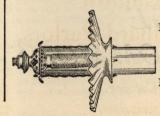
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#### EDITORIALS

THE recent addition to our library serves as another instance of that progressive spirit which is advancing our college into the foremost rank of educational institutions. Improvements during the past few years have been made chiefly in the departments of science, until now, at the beginning of the new century, we find ourselves thoroughly, in fact elaborately, equipped in this direction. We have at last remedied what had been for a long time a serious deficiency in another department. Our library had been entirely inadequate to the needs of the institution. Books had not been wanting, but a suitable repository for them had long been needed, and the inconvenience attendant upon their use had been such as to render the library of comparatively small practical value. The entire absence of artificial light had limited work in the library to that

part of the day which is filled with recitations and other duties. There were almost no facilities for literary research and reference work, and the odor of musty books reminded one of the catacombs. The beginning of Trinity term found these conditions materially bettered, and past inconveniences removed by the addition of the splendid new reference and reading room. Upon entering the room one is struck by the abundance of light and air. The high ceiling and the ingenious arrangement of book-cases are the cause of this. On both sides of the room the books are arranged so as to form alcoves, each of which contains the best material in the library on one of the subjects represented in the curriculum. Chairs, tables, and portable electric lights enable one to work to the best advantage, and with ease and comfort. The open hours of the library have been extended. In addition to the present periods of 10-12 A. M. and 2-5 P. M. (10 A. M. to 1 P. M. Saturdays), the new reference room will be open from 7 to 9 P. M., with the exception of Wednesday and Saturday evenings. The two hours in the evening afford an opportunity which we feel sure will be used with profit and greatly appreciated by us all. Trinity's library now ranks among the best, and the student who seeks the finest facilities for intellectual advancement, cannot afford to ignore its superior advantages.

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WE wish to note the very excellent spirit shown by the college at the last two college meetings. In fact, they were about the first college meetings this year that have been really well attended. The men for some reason or other have shown a listless and spasmodic interest in college affairs this year—let us hope that this awakened interest in meetings is the beginning of renewed college spirit. Freshmen in particular are supposed to attend every

college meeting, and it so happened that there have been a few present at recent meetings, who it is hoped will profit by the good advice given by the upperclassmen. A few more of such college meetings will be of lasting benefit to Trinity. Let everyone turn out to college meetings!

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A CALL for candidates to represent Trinity on the track this spring has been issued, and the men will be kept hard at work in the gymnasium until the weather permits of outdoor work. In Captain Sturtevant the college has a man who is well fitted to direct and lead a winning team. Himself a hard worker and a splendid athlete, he has a thorough knowledge of training methods and should be heartily supported by the college body. We have every chance to produce a good team, and with a dual meet with Wesleyan in prospect, besides the intercollegiate meet at Worcester, the men should have enough to spur them on to their greatest efforts. Every man in college who has the slightest chance to do anything on the track owes it to his college and to himself to report for work. We wish the 1901 track team Success.

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THERE is a period of several weeks before us during which it will be impossible to exercise out of doors. All the men on the baseball and track squads will have to work in the gymnasium, and the greater part of them will do so between the hours of four and half-past six. During the last hour it is necessary to have artificial light, and this is a point to which we wish to call special attention. The gymnasium floor is supplied with twenty gas jets, all of which are required to furnish the necessary light. Light is essential, and so is pure air, but the latter fact seems to be entirely overlooked. Under the most favorable conditions for

exercise the ventilation is none too good, but add to this a score of burning gas-jets and the result is an atmosphere that is not conducive to physical development, to say the least. A practical solution of this difficulty would be the use of electricity, and we wish emphatically to urge its introduction into the gymnasium as soon as possible. The science buildings are supplied with it and the library has just been wired. Why not complete the work by extending the circuit to the place where such light is very much needed? It is not too late in the season, but rather just the time when the most men would appreciate such an improvement. Electric lights would be a very useful and ornamental acquisition in Alumni Hall, and would contribute much to its splendor on festive occasions. would make the gymnasium really available for athletic meets, basketball games, etc., as well as affording men whose schedules oblige them to be occupied during the daytime an opportunity for exercise in the evening. Anything that will aid the men in training and help to keep up enthusiasm in athletic work is well worthy of consideration, and THE TABLET offers this suggestion as a step in the right direction.

WE would call the attention of the trustees and faculty to the condition of the apparatus in the gymnasium and ask that something be done in the matter of its repair. The gymnasium is a scene of great activity every day, being constantly used by the men in training for the various teams, and by others. The apparatus is lapsing into a useless condition, owing to the lack of the appropriation of a few dollars needed for most necessary repairs. This is a crying need and should receive the attention of those in a position to have it remedied.

THE consistent neglect of the trophy room both by the committees appointed for its maintenance and by the college at large is a state of affairs much to be deplored. The pictures of the teams are not hung as they should be and the college has not seen fit to take the matter up and provide suitable cases for the trophies, cups, etc. The baseball and football pictures for the season of 1900 have not been given by the managers of the respective teams, contrary to the old custom. The present committee stands ready to give their time to putting this room in shape, if they can have the backing of the athletic association for the purchase of a case and the furnishing of the team pictures.

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THE musical organizations—the Glee, Mandolin and Banjo clubs -are among the most useful organizations in bringing the name of Trinity before the public, and the men connected with these organizations ought to exercise every effort to sustain the good name always enjoyed by the clubs heretofore. The clubs this year have been above the average as regards the number of students engaged, but we all know there has been a certain lack of interest. The fault has not been with the leaders nor with the managers, but practically with the members themselves. The managers have been very successful in arranging dates this year, but have not always been successful in filling them to the letter. It should be remembered that not only is the reputation of the clubs at stake, but that of the college is sure to suffer if the clubs do not appear with their full quota of men, as agreed, and if the selections rendered give any evidence that practice has not been regular and thorough.

#### WHEN AUTUMN COMES

YOU may remember well, when shadows creeping
At eventide of life still darker grow;
When all things fade and wither soft and slow,
And die the dearest dreams your heart was keeping;
One word, one whisper, 'midst the flowers sleeping,
When southern evening breezes murmured low
In the dark vistas of the long ago,
That filled my tired heart so full of weeping.

Ah, will your soul regret the word then spoken;
The golden chain that now lies scattered, broken;
The clouded stars and skies where tempests wait?
Yet if your heart recalls, in tears and anguish,
Those vanished days, when August's glories languish,
You may remember, but 'twill be too late.

Hervey Boardman Vanderbogart.

#### THE PLANS OF MICE AND MEN

"IS the mail in, Robert?" Jack Haines, the first man out of chapel, asked this question anxiously.

"Gone down to the section, sir," replied a voice from the window.

Jack fished around in the section-box and extracted three letters bearing his address. With these he dashed up-stairs, flung open his door, and after dropping into a chair, proceeded to examine them. When he had read the first letter he passed it to his room-mate, Tom Pomeroy, who had followed him into the room. The latter began to read:

""NEW YORK, Mar. 13, 190-.

My Dear Son:

In reply to your note asking for more money I must say that I consider the check sent you last week sufficient to see you to the first of March. You are spending too much money, and I want you to be more economical.

Mother is well.

#### Your aff. father,

JOHN R. HAINES."

"Now read these, too," said Jack, passing him the other two letters.

"H'm! 'To bill rendered, \$133.00. Please remit.' 'To bill rendered, \$88.75. Kindly oblige us by payment on account.' Guess you got all you wanted in this mail, didn't you?"

"This is a serious matter, Tom. You know the old man just keeps me down to hard-pan all the time—thinks I ought to go it slow because he had to. Gets off a lot of rot about 'habits of thrift' and so forth."

"Strange, isn't it? Why, your father is boss of the whole coal situation to-day—president of the American Coal——"

"Yes, yes, ring it off! Cut all that out—the thing is, I must have some money, and I know the old man wouldn't yield unless I was in peril of my life. Say, I have an idea! Listen to this: you've read of these recent kidnapping affairs, haven't you? Well, why can't I kidnap myself, and have old Hunks part with a thousand or so, in order to save his little boy from 'a frightful death, the circumstances of which would be too horrifying to recount,' et cetera?"

"Ha! I filter! Jack, you're a genius—but isn't it rather an impossible sort of stunt, and a trifle shady?"

"Just listen to me." And Jack unfolded his plan in detail. Tom promised his aid, and two days later the college was surprised by the sudden disappearance of Messrs. Haines and Pomeroy, sometime members of the sophomore class.

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To the south of the college lies a long ridge known as Pine Hill. Several miles out, and at some distance from the road, stands an old, dilapidated mill, which was abandoned years ago, when a freshet changed the course of Pine Creek. It lies in a rocky basin, and is so concealed by trees as to be almost invisible at a short distance away.

In an upper room of this mill, the morning after their disappearance, Jack Haines and Tom Pomeroy were arranging the scanty personal effects and the liberal supply of provisions which they had brought with them. The window of their room looked out upon the dry bed of the creek, and an arm of the mill-wheel was several feet below the sill.

"Let me see that copy of the letter you sent your father just before we left," said Tom, and as Jack passed to him a letter marked "Copy" across an upper corner, he looked it over. "You're a clever penman, Jack—it has the true ring of the illiterate yet determined kidnapper: 'we will birn out the ize of yure sun an uv the yung man who went waukin with him last satterdy, if yu du nott leev \$1000 in the ole oke 10 yds eest uv the semmatary tusdy eving mar 19 at 3 a m'—but say, Jack, I thought it was to be at twelve instead of three?"

"I'll explain that. First I thought three would be the best time, and wrote this letter accordingly. Then it seemed best to make it midnight, so I wrote another letter, and saved this one as a copy. So it will be midnight, after all."

"Jack, you're a corker! What will be the end of this, I wonder? I suppose we'll have to concoct some story of how we were bound and gagged, and fed with a spoon, how they daily threatened us with torture, and so on. I must confess I didn't think it just right at first, but, as you say, the old gentleman hasn't really given you a fair show, and he can stand it as easily as my father can stand ten cents. It's good of you to take me along, old man—I'm always laying for an adventure out of the ordinary." He laid the letter on the table.

The day seemed like an age to the conspirators, and they were glad when it came time to turn in for the night, after they had discussed every possible phase of the situation.

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About two in the morning the door opened, and three men entered the room in which Tom and Jack were sleeping. They were unkempt and shabby, and from the heavy sacks they carried on their shoulders one might have correctly inferred that they were members of the gang of burglars which had been the terror of the neighboring city for weeks past, for whose arrest and conviction a reward of two thousand dollars had been offered. Their leader spoke: "Drop it anywhere, and we'll look it over in the morning—I'm tired. Hello! What's this?" His eye had fallen upon the sleeping figures.

Billy Magee, for it was the notorious marauder himself, lighted his dark-lantern and took in the situation. "Ah, college boys—evidently well off. But why are they out here? Perhaps this explains it," and he read the letter on the table. "Copy, h? I wonder who is keeping them against their will? Who, indeed? I see through their little game! But there is no reason why Billy Magee should not be on hand at the old oak, at three o'clock Tuesday night, to claim the ransom. I guess the boys will find their joke

on the old man a little more serious than they intended. Just bind them, Bud." One of the gang neatly bound the sleepers, who did not awake until resistance was impossible.

"Hey, fellows, lemme alone!" cried Jack, waking and drowsily opening his eyes. "Don't raise any rough—say, where am I?"

"You're right here, my lad, and here's where you'll stay till we get that thousand," was the gruff response, and it was not long till Jack comprehended that by a strange coincidence the desperadoes had made the old mill their temporary rendezvous.

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At last it was Tuesday evening. By this time Jack had become absolutely convinced of the immorality of kidnapping—strange that it had not before this presented itself to him so forcibly!

At the evening meal, at seven, the gang discussed their plans for the night's work. Jack and Tom were still bound, and listened in silence from their corners. It seemed that Magee, reckless as ever, wanted to make a night of it, by plundering a handsome mansion in the city, and then returning to claim the ransom.

"I have heard positively," he was saying, "that the Wintons are in New York, and will not return till to-morrow morning, so that leaves only the night-watchman to dispose of. After that we can get back here at two, and be on hand at three for the ransom."

Jack started in surprise. The note had named twelve as the hour. He understood immediately that Magee, having seen the copy, had taken three to be the hour. But what if his father did not wait until three? He was about to speak out and correct Magee, but it seemed best to keep silent until he saw what would be done with himself and Tom. The latter did not notice the error.

The leader's plan prevailed, with the result that two of the gang left at half-past nine, having previously bound and gagged the prisoners, and placing the third, Bill Royce, on guard.

After a while Royce began talking to the boys. He had had several drinks at supper, and was in high spirits. As he continued his monolog he refreshed himself every now and then with a draught from a flask. Soon he became so intoxicated that he flung himself down in front of the door and began to sing hilariously.

All this had occupied about an hour. Jack, whose hands were tied behind him, had been chafing the cord upon a nail in the wall against which he was leaning. This exercise, though tedious, finally resulted in his being able to free his hands, cautiously.

Royce was now leaning with his elbow upon the door, facing it, his forehead resting on his wrist, and he was playfully fingering his revolver, muttering something about putting an end to his trouble by pumping the boys full of lead.

This threat, uttered in a drunken delirium, was enough to frighten badly the individuals referred to. Jack made haste, and at last both were free and on their feet. Escape by way of the door was dangerous in the extreme, and they did not care to tackle the belligerent Royce.

Tom went to the window, and beckoned to his chum to follow. Their chance lay in the hope that the mill-wheel was stationary and would not revolve from the impetus of their weight. Tom dropped from the sill to the wheel, landing on one of the paddles, which did not give way. Jack followed, and soon both were safely on the ground. As they started up the rocks Royce's inflamed face appeared at the window, in the moonlight. He blazed away at them, but the shots were scattered and futile.

The students made for the road, and proceeded at once for the oak near the cemetery. Arrived here, they began to wait, and as their watches had been taken from them they could only conjecture that it must be near midnight. Soon they heard the sound of a carriage coming around a turn down the road. As this carriage became

larger and more distinct, they stepped out into the moonlit road and advanced to meet it. The driver drew up his horses, a door opened, and Jack's father stepped out.

"This is Jack - how are you, father?"

"Why, my boy, my boy! How came you here? Where are the—the—where are they?" asked Mr. Haines, thoroughly amazed.

In a few words Jack explained that he and Tom had escaped from their place of detention. He said that the gang had evidently forgotten the hour named in the letter, for at the evening meal they had referred to three o'clock as the appointed time. He told how two of the men had gone to plunder a house, and the third was still at the mill, in a helpless condition.

Mr. Haines stated that he had a number of secret service men and officers guarding the various avenues of egress from the old oak mentioned in the letter, so that the escape of the kidnappers would be impossible. Jack, who had not yet told his father his own share of blame for the affair, drew a deep breath as he heard this.

Three of the detectives went with Jack to the old mill and finally managed to capture the frenzied Royce, who had smashed everything in the upper room. They got back to the oak shortly after one.

Preparations were now made for the capture of Magee and his companion. The carriage, into which Royce had been placed, was driven into a shaded nook some distance down the road, in charge of the driver, who was armed.

The rest of the men were now divided into two parties—the smaller to guard the vicinity of the oak until the return of the larger, which was to watch the mill.

As was expected, the desperadoes made first for the mill, laden with booty. Taken by surprise, they were easily captured. The whole party then returned to the city.

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Tom and Jack shared the two thousand dollars reward which had been offered for the apprehension of the three marauders. The latter were not held on the charge of kidnapping, as their list of burglaries and other crimes was sufficient to warrant life imprisonment.

As to Jack's complicity in the affair, he confessed everything to his father, and was forgiven—but he waited till the day following the adventure at the mill, when, after dinner, he found the old gentleman in excellent spirits. The latter had just finished complimenting him upon his nerve and savoir faire. The kidnapping plot struck the elder Haines as so original and so well executed, that from sheer admiration he was forced to acknowledge it a huge joke on himself, and to see that Tom and Jack did not suffer for keeping it dark for ever afterwards.

James Albert Wales.

#### THE EXPERIMENT THAT FAILED

THE professor of Psychology and the professor of Latin were sitting in the latter's room one evening, when the conversation turned upon a great football victory which had been recently won by the college.

"Do you know," said the professor of Psychology, as he lightly brushed the cigar ashes from his coat, "that the average college man who is a hero on the football field would be a physical coward on certain occasions?"

"I fail to see how," rejoined the professor of Latin.

"Well, suppose a man who is a great football player should be confronted by some great danger at an unexpected moment. I believe such a man would be utterly unnerved by it."

"There I disagree with you," rejoined the other. "A man with the nerve shown sometimes on our football field is instinctively brave. He does not know what physical fear is. Take Marvin, this year's captain. Now do you think that you could frighten that man? Why, I don't believe anything would—that is, in reason."

"Well, I have thought the matter over, and I am willing to try a little experiment, just to prove what I say. My plan is this: I will disguise myself, go to Marvin's room at night, and see if at the point of a revolver he does not immediately show signs of terror."

"Very well," said the Latin professor, "only be careful. Marvin is quite a man, and may not be quite what you think him."

Soon afterwards the two professors separated for the night, and the conversation was forgotten.

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One night some weeks later, Marvin, who roomed in 47, was awakened by a loud knocking at his door.

"Who is it?" he said, sleepily.

"Open the door, Marvin!" came a deep voice.

Thinking it was some one who had forgotten something in the room, he slowly opened the door "What do you—?" he began, but was stopped by a pair of glittering revolver barrels thrust into his face, as a deep voice thundered, from behind a black mask: "Get what money and jewelry you have and put it on that table. One sound or suspicious movement, and you are a dead man."

Slowly Marvin went through his clothing, and at last there was quite a little heap on the table, of money, scarf pins, a watch and numerous other trinkets. "Now get into bed," said the voice behind the mask. Marvin pretended to turn, but as he did so his fist shot out, and the next moment the intruder was lying at length with Marvin standing over him. The mask slowly slipped from the man's face.

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On the following day the classes in Psychology were delighted by the following notice on the bulletin board: "The professor of Psychology will be unable to meet his classes this week." Marvin and the professor of Latin never told why.

Philip Safford Clarke.

#### COLLEGE AND CAMPUS

A MEETING of the *Ivy* Board was held Saturday afternoon Feb. 16.

The editors hope to get the *Ivy* out by May 18.

The Rev. George R. Van De Water, D. D., rector of St. Andrew's church, New York city, preached in the college chapel Sunday morning Feb. 17. On the evening of the same day the usual "College Tea" was given by Mrs. Ferguson.

The valedictory of the graduating class has been awarded to F. R. Sturtevant of this city. The salutatorian is Frank Halsey Foss, of Norwich, Conn. Frank Stephen Morehouse of South Kent, Conn., has received the third appointment.

A regular meeting of the missionary society was held Monday evening Feb. 18, at which Carson, 1902, gave an interesting account of the recent convention at Philadelphia. The society also met Monday evening March 4.

The Senior Honorary Society met Tuesday Feb. 19, and again on Monday March 4.

At a meeting of the freshman class on Tuesday Feb. 19, Townsend was elected captain of the baseball team and McKeon manager.

F. R. Sturtevant, 1901, was elected captain of the track team Monday Feb. 18. G. Brinley, 1901, captain of last year's team, was not a candidate, owing to extra courses which he is taking.

The subjects of the themes given out by Professor Johnson, to be selected by the juniors for Trinity term are as follows: No. 1. Due April 1, (a)—"Dr. Johnson and His Friends"; (b)—"Interpretation of Shelley's 'Sensitive Plant'"; (c)—"The Modern Movement Towards Industrial Consolidations"; (d)—"The Legislature of Connecticut"; (e)—"Chief Justice Marshall." No. 2. Due May 15: (a)—"Analysis of One of Webster's Speeches;" (b)—"Contracts Between One of Scott's Historical Novels and a Recent American One"; (c)—"Democracy, Ours and England's"; (d)—"What Are the Real Objects of Education?"; (e)—"The Biglow Papers." Professor Johnson has also announced that the themes of the graduating class must be handed in by April 1.

The Glee Club sang at the Shiloh Baptist Church, Tuesday evening Feb. 19.

The Toucey scholarship has been awarded to Henry Louis Godlove Meyer, 1903, of St. Louis, Mo.

The indoor meet will be held Friday evening March 22.

Dr. Martin, whose untiring efforts have done so much for the college, has just issued a little book entitled "The College Pictured." It contains photographs of former presidents and benefactors, of the principal buildings, new hall of natural history, and important views about the college.

Wednesday Feb. 20, being Ash Wednesday, all recitations and lectures were omitted; chapel services were held at 9.15 A. M. and at 5 P. M., as on Sundays. College exercises were also omitted on Friday Feb. 22, Washington's birthday.

During Lent, in addition to the regular chapel services, the Litany will be said at 11.55 daily, excepting Saturdays.

The first of the four lectures arranged by Dr. Smith was given in Alumni Hall, Saturday evening Feb. 23, at 8 o'clock, by M. Gaston Deschamps. The subject was "Victor Hugo et Son Siècle." A large number of people were present, as well as many from the student body.

Individual practice has been started by the members of the track team. All last year's team will be out and also many new men, especially from the freshman class. The management of the track team has arranged a dual meet with Wesleyan, to be held at Middletown, May 11. Trinity has not had a dual meet since 1896, when she defeated Wesleyan 69-66. The nineteenth annual field meet will be held on Saturday May 4, at the Gentleman's Driving Park. After these meets Captain Sturtevant will be able to choose the best men to take to Worcester to the annual meet of the N. E. I. A. A. on May 16.

#### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

Manager Wheeler, 1902, of the football team, has arranged the following schedule for next fall: Sept. 28, Yale at New Haven; Oct. 5, Dartmouth at Hanover, N. H.; Oct. 12, West Point at West Point; Oct. 19, Amherst at Hartford; Oct. 26, Hamilton at Hartford; Nov. 2, Tufts at Tufts Oval, Mass.; Nov. 9, New York University at Hartford; Nov. 16, Wesleyan at Middletown. This schedule which reflects great credit upon the efforts of the management, is absolutely certain with the exception of games with Holy Cross, Brown, and M. I. T. The managements of these teams have written to secure games, but as the schedule is well filled it is doubtful if more can be arranged.

#### BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

The management of the baseball team has completed the schedule as follows: Saturday April 6, Brown at Providence; Wednesday April 17, Holy Cross at Worcester; Wednesday April 24, Amherst at Amherst; Thursday April 25, New York University at New York; Saturday April 27, Tufts at Hartford; Thursday May 2, Rochester University at Hartford; Wednesday May 8, New York University at Hartford; Saturday May 11, Crescent Athletic Club at Brooklyn; Wednesday May 15, Williams at Williamstown; Saturday May 18, Yale Law School at Hartford; Thursday May 23, Hamilton at Hartford; Thursday May 30, Amherst Aggies at Hartford; Saturday June 1, Fordham at New York; Tuesday, June 4, Columbia at Hartford. The entire schedule includes

fifteen games, seven of which will be played at Hartford. Manager Peck has written to secure a game with Wesleyan, but has not yet received an answer. The team will be coached by "Billy" Lush, who has played with the Washington national league team, and will be with the Rochester team this year.

The second in the series of lectures, entitled "In the Track of Three Invasions," arranged by President Smith, was delivered in Alumni Hall Tuesday evening Feb. 26, by Professor Edwin C. Bolles of the class of '56. The lecture was attended by a large and interested audience. The lecturer was given the college yell by the students with a spirit which showed their appreciation of the lecturer.

The Rev. Joel Foote Bingham, D. D., LL. D., delivered the first of his lectures in the modern language room Friday March 1, at 8 p. m. His subject was "Dante, the Scholar and Lover." Others will be: March 8, "Dante, the Husband and Politician, and Exile," with reading and portraits; March 15, "Dante the Wanderer—Monuments, Estimates"; March 22, "The Divina Comedia," with readings.

A meeting of the athletic association was held in the Latin room Friday afternoon March 1, and the basketball team was made a member of the association.

A college meeting was held at 9.45 Saturday morning March 2, at which a large number of subscriptions for the baseball team were obtained.

The competition for the Whitlock prizes which is usually held on February 22, but was postponed this year so as to give the competitors more time, was held in Alumni Hall Thursday evening March 7, at 8 p. m. The speakers were F. H. Foss, 1901; F. R. Sturtevant, 1901; A. T. Wynkoop, 1901; W. P. Bentley, 1902, and M. B. Stewart, 1902. The first four men had for their subject "Imperialism and the Declaration of Independence." Stewart's topic was "The Function of Art." The first prize was awarded to Foss, and the second to Sturtevant. The judges were Messrs. Wm. A. Ayres, Fredk. W. Davis, and Edw. S. Van Zile.

The Cheshire Academy Alumni Association of Trinity College has elected the following officers: F. S. Morehouse, 1901, president; J. W. Walker, 1902, vice-president; P. H. Bradin, 1903, secretary; R. L. McKeon, 1904, treasurer.

#### ATHLETICS

#### ALL-MIDDLETOWN 8, TRINITY 5

THE basketball team went down to Middletown Thursday evening Feb. 28, to play the Y. M. C. A. team of that city, but the opposing team was found to contain three of the Middletown "Regulars." This combination, together with the fact that the second half was played under the antiquated rules of 1897, resulted in Trinity's defeat by a close margin. At the end of the first half, played under modern rules, the score was 2-2. Trinity's best work was done by Henderson, while the playing for Middletown was done almost entirely by the men from the "Regulars," Bruce and the McConihe Bros. A very pleasing feature of the trip was the hospitality extended to the team by Dr. Hart, '66, at the Berkeley Divinity School. The summary:

ALL-MIDDLETOWN

Simpson, r. f.

1. f., Derby
Trantum, l. f.

Luckhart, Bruce, c.

J. McConihe (Capt.), r. g.

W. McConihe, l. g.

Referee—C. F. Kogel, Y. M. C. A. Umpire—J. A. Wales, Trinity. Goals—J.
McConihe (2), W. McConihe, Bruce; Henderson, Glenney Goal from foul—Henderson. Score—All-Middletown 8, Trinity 5.

#### MERIDEN Y. M. C. A. 35, TRINITY 10

A SECOND game with the Y. M. C. A. of Meriden was played in that city Saturday evening March 2, and although the game resulted in a defeat for Trinity, the showing made was better than that of the previous game with the same team. As in the previous game, the team taken was "picked up" at the last minute, Brown and Hill playing for the first time

this year. Meriden played an intricate and clever passing game, Maron and Hall excelling in particular, and the team would probably have made a good showing against our regular team. Brown and Henderson did the best work for Trinity. The summary:

MERIDEN Y. M. C. A.

Hall (Capt.), r. f.

Lohman, l. f.

Maron, c.

Johnson, r. g.

Nettleton, l. g.

TRINITY

1. g., Derby

r. g., Hill

c., Crane (Act. Capt.)

1. f., W. P. Brown

r. f., Henderson

Referee—T. A. Butler, Meriden High School. Umpires—B. A. Schoerke, Y. M. C. A., and J. A. Wales, Trinity. Goals—Hall (6), Maron (4), Lohman (3), Nettleton (2), Johnson (2); Brown (2), Crane, Derby. Goals from fouls—Maron; Henderson (2). Score—Y. M. C. A. 35, Trinity 10.

#### TRINITY 20, BROWN 1.

Trinity's basketball season ended in a blaze of glory Tuesday, March 5, and the hoodoo which had been haunting the team was dispelled, probably by the fact that this was the thirteenth game. The team journeyed to Providence in the afternoon, and in the evening lined up against the far famed Brown University five, in the Lyman gymnasium, before a large crowd. The crack quintet representing Brown had defeated Columbia the evening before, the latter in turn having defeated Harvard. Hence it is easy to imagine the surprise and enthusiasm which thrilled the small band of Trinity adherents when they saw the visiting team sweep their opponents off their feet and bury them under an avalanche of goals, not allowing Brown a single clear shot from the field, and administering the severest defeat of the season. It is probable that the game will always be unique in the history of basketball, for such a complete victory against a team playing upon its own floor is most remarkable.

Captain Bellamy rejoined the Trinity team, having come up from Newport, and his presence was a great encouragement. In the first half there was no scoring for eight minutes, then Glenney threw a fine backward goal. Henderson, Bellamy and Crane scored in rapid succession, the swift operation of Trinity's signals seeming to demoralize Brown. Bellamy threw another goal, and the half ended 10-0 in favor of the visitors. Trinity ran up ten points more in the second half, although it was of but fifteen minutes duration. Glenney threw a goal, and shortly afterwards Benjamin scored Brown's sole point by throwing a goal from a called foul. Henderson now threw three clever goals in succession, and Glenney scored on a long shot just before the call of time. Final score: Trinity 20, Brown 1.

Trinity's passing and blocking were superb. Henderson and Glenney made fourteen of Trinity's points, Bellamy and Crane played a heady all -round game, and Van Weelden's scientific blocking was much in evidence. The men returned to Hartford Wednesday morning, after an enjoyable time as guests of the Brown team. The summary;

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Ray, r. f.

Benjamin (Capt.), l. f.

Smith, c.

Feary, r. g.

Ahrens, l. g.

Officials—Clifford, Brown, and Wales, Trinity.

TRINITY

1. g., Bellamy (Capt.)

r. g., Van Weelden

c., Crane

1. f., Glenney

r. f., Henderson

Goals—Henderson (4), Glenney

(3), Bellamy (2), Crane. Goal from foul—Benjamin. Time of halves—20 and 15 minutes. Score—Trinity 20, Brown 1.

#### A COMMUNICATION

PITTSBURGH, PA., Feb. 20, 1901.

To the Editor of The Tablet:

SIR: When the Press Club was re-organized, last October, I noticed that there was a remarkable increase in the amount of Trinity news published in the various papers which came to my notice. Since that time, however, there seems to have been a decided decrease, and I am forced to conclude that the fault lies with the club members themselves. I understand that waning enthusiasm is the cause.

This is a most unfortunate state of affairs, and no one can appreciate it more than an alumnus, who is always scanning the papers for news of his Alma Mater.

No man ought to be unwilling to work for the good of his college, even though he receive no pay for such work. The amount of labor required for regular work in the club should be light, and the practice of writing concisely and clearly should be of the greatest benefit to any man who contemplates a literary, a professional, or indeed a business career of any kind. Added to this is the satisfaction of working for the college, bringing more students to its doors and seeing that the athletic teams and organizations get fair play.

One of the reasons that Trinity has not grown is the fact that she is not sufficiently well known. If the Press Club had continued in the energetic style in which it started, it would be a question of a short time when the name Trinity would be widespread, and the prospective college student would be obliged to consider Trinity as a possible Alma Mater. I know from my examination of many of the great city dailies that they are not covered by Trinity correspondents, and I am sure there must be work for all. The good that such work does is far in excess of the momentary annoyance of sending out Trinity news at frequent intervals. Remember that every man at his place on the "Firing Line" and no one skulking in his tent means a "doubled Trinity," in both men and money.

With best wishes for the success of the Press Club, I remain, very truly, Your fellow Trinity man,

Jos. Buffington.

#### THE STROLLER

THE STROLLER having fortunately managed to receive a mark of 9.4 on his first term essay, which was computed as follows: 9.6 for good handwriting, 10 off for poor spelling, 20 off for lateness, making an average of 9.4, was confident that he would be chosen one of the competitors in a recent oratorical prize contest. So one evening, while indulging in a dreamy reverie before a log fire he formed in his imagination a picture of how he was selected as one of the elect five. He fancied that he spent his time in chapel for the next two months grinding out a speech

borrowed for the occasion, practised the bowing and scraping and trills while waiting for the mail, and on the evening of the contest, after struggling into a gown he had used for hazing parties, walked confidently in the midst of the formidable procession of competitors through the throngs crowding Alumni Hall up to the front row of chairs, where he immediately proceeded to forget the first six words of his declamation. Being called upon in his turn, while the prompter was still searching with trembling fingers for the place in his book, he was forced to rely upon his own fertile ingenuity for a starter. The order of events was as follows: announcement of speaker by President; speaker arises, steps on gown-audible rip—feels around for the stage, finds it, climbs up, head swimming, bows to bust on mistaking it for President, backs into curtain - someone in back row snickers and tries to make it all right by violent clearing of throatbows to people, turns pale, thinks of mother, discovers mistake and bows to President, bows to people again, begins to speak: "Although - nevertheless - notwithstanding - therefore - accordingly -. " In the meantime the audience have already been spellbound by his oratory, silence being broken only by renewed mirth from the back row; prompter finds the place at last and corrects STROLLER by yelling out like a female clerk calling a cash-boy: "A new era!" and with this starter THE STROLLER is soon under way. "A new era has brought with it a new problem for these United States of America"—the word "of" specially emphasized great applause, Stroller bows and forgets the next sentence, strikes an attitude reminding one of Gen. Coxey at the famous Siege of Washington, prompter finds the place and starts him again. All the rest was smooth sailing - very eloquent, especially the "ofs" and "its" - then came the magnificent climax with which he was to hold the multitudinous audience spellbound. He swung out his right arm toward the caerulian dome of the vast hall—accidentally striking the face of the bust with his mortar-board, which he still retained in one hand—and with a ringing voice declared: "The - savage - first - of - all - must - and - shall - be, - so - to -speak, -sat - on -hard - and - then - " but then a tremendous clatter arose from the centre of the hall, and it was found upon inspection that a corpulent gentleman was already practising the "sat on hard" system

with one of the chairs. The gentleman sought the waxen floor while the remains of the chair lay strewed around in chunks about the size of a college meeting. But for some reason The Stroller's name was overlooked when the time of awarding appointments came, although the readers declared that all the competitors had done so well that only with the greatest difficulty did they reach their final conclusions, and thus were The Stroller's dreams of glory shattered for he was left out of the prize contest entirely.

#### PERSONALS

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, which was held recently in Boston, Clarendon C. Bulkley, '75, was elected a Grand Foreman.

A volume of papers on "The Holy Eucharist Devotionally Considered," by Rev. E. W. WORTHINGTON, '75, has been recently published.

Col. W. C. Skinner, '76, is making an extended tour in Texas and California.

The Rev. M. K. Bailey, '79, is spending the winter in Bonn, Germany, with a pupil.

Professor RICHARD BURTON, '83, has been giving a course of lectures in California.

The address of the Rev. H. H. BARBER, '90, has been changed to Greensburg, Penn.

The sermon preached in the Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York, in memory of Queen Victoria, by the Rev. John Williams, '90, has been printed in a handsome pamphlet.

The Rev. W. A. Sparks, '97, has taken charge of St. John's Church, Presque, Isle, Me.

Moses James Brines, 1900, who is at present in New York studying music, sang at a private musicale given by Mrs. Mary Rodgers Root of this city, Feb. 23. Brines has recently been made a member of the Mendelssohn Glee Club, and his voice has greatly improved. Those present at the musicale from college were: President and Mrs. Smith; Dr. Martin; Dr. and Mrs. Riggs; Dr. and Mrs. Babbitt; Professor Johnson; Mr. W. N. Carlton, and Anderson, 1901.

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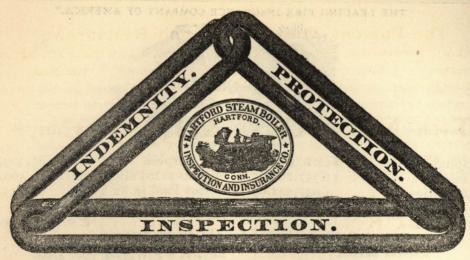
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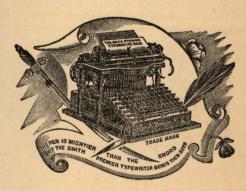
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