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F. W. Whitlock Oratorical Prize Contest.

Curtiss, 1906, and Goodale, 1905, Awarded the Prizes.

The eighth annual contest for the Frank W. Whitlock prizes in oratory was held in Alumni Hall last evening. But four speakers contested, Burdette C. Maercklein, 1906, who was to have spoken, being prevented by illness from doing so. The judges, Rev. James W. Bradin, Rev. James P. Faucon and Mr. Edgar F. Waterman, all of Hartford, after a twenty minutes' consultation, awarded the first prize of thirty dollars to Philip E. Curtiss, 1906, of Hartford, and the second prize of twenty dollars to Allen R. Goodale, 1905, of Suffield, Conn. Curtiss prepared for college at the Hartford High School, and Goodale entered from the Connecticut Literary Institute, Suffield.

All the orations were of a high order, and the judges reported that they had difficulty in coming to a decision.

Philip E. Curtiss, the winner, spoke on "The Interpretation of Shelley's 'The Sensitive Plant'." He said in part:

Interpretation is like translation. An interpreter like a translator may use almost exactly the words of the original and yet lose entirely their sense and spirit.

In Shelley's poem of "The Sensitive Plant" this difficulty appears most forcefully. An explanation is easy, but a statement of its nature and of what it makes the readers feel is most difficult.

A brief explanation would be that the sensitive plant represents an unselfish but inexperienced love; the beautiful garden represents the perfect surroundings that such a love creates for itself. The fair lady represents the love complimentary to the sensitive plant. The winter represents the time of trouble that must come in every life. The death of the one love, represented by the death of the lady caused the death of the other and with the death of love came the inevitable consequences—the loathsome weeds and the insects symbolic of unsympathetic persons and ideas. Then came the winter and finally as a reaction the end of strife—the spring, but yet a spring sadder than the beautiful garden had ever known before.

Then in the conclusion is the summing up, the poet's reverie.

This is the story on which the poem is built, but of the poem itself it is a very small part, for the real thought lies in the fact that Shelley has put into the life and views of the sensitive plant his own life and his own views—which because Shelley was a poet are the life and views of a large part of humanity.

The first part is a description of the garden. As we read we can feel the sensitive plant, the joy and exultation of a beautiful life in beautiful

natural surroundings. Then comes the description of a refined and untroubled life and the joys which belong to each season.

Then comes the second part, a part of action describing a new character, a most beautiful lady, who comes into the garden bringing with her a deeper life and a stronger feeling and then suddenly disappears through the agency of death.

Then comes a time of trouble caused by the fact that the souls in the poem had risen and matured to the point of feeling and caring and giving of a love to another. First is the battle in which many of the plants give way and are killed, while others find a new strength and an ability to fight. Then comes the end of hostilities—the spring which opens on a scene of death and destruction, the after-scene of the battle.

Lastly is a little postlude, a light melody which contrasts oddly with the heavy ponderous lines of the main poem, but yet leaves us with a feeling of satisfaction as if to say that all were well, nevertheless. It does not come in any way the agony of the battle or the sadness of the destruction, but yet tells us in its quaint little way that the battle is the one thing that makes our life a true, real life.

Francis George Burrows, 1905, of Sunbury, Pa., was the second speaker, and his topic was "Senator Hoar." This statesman, he claimed, was one of the best the country has produced. He showed that Hoar's qualities were what might have been expected from his ancestry. He was of good old Puritan stock, the son of a great lawyer, and the grandson of Roger Sherman, famous in Revolutionary times. The senator was born in Concord and educated at Harvard. He then moved to Worcester, the seat of the Free-Soil party, which later became the Republican party and stood for anti-slavery. Hoar cared nothing about entering politics, but devoted himself to law for twenty years. He, however, served one term in the state legislature. Then his friends put him up for congressman and he served for three terms in the house.

About this time the Massachusetts political machine under General Butler became too powerful for the public good, and its opponents insisted that Hoar should run for senator against this machine. He won and had the distinction of serving longer in the senate than any man before him, namely, thirty years. His career in congress was active throughout his life.

Senator Hoar had, however, certain unfortunate traits. He idealized the Republican party at the expense of the Democrats. He was also very obstinate in holding to his opinions. This trait unfortunately drifted him away from his party in regard to the Philippine question, and clouded, in a way, his happiness toward the end of his life.

What he did was not for party or self. His sole aim was his country's

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Annual Indoor Track Meet

Wrestling match to be a feature this year.

The indoor interclass meet will be held in the Gymnasium to-night beginning at eight o'clock and judging from the enthusiasm and energy with which the track team has trained for the last three weeks and the large number of entries, the meet to-night ought to be a very interesting one. The meet is primarily a competition for the interclass cup and there are thirteen events, in all of which, three places count for points. These events are: 20 yard Dash, Pole Vault, High Kick, Parallel Bars, Rope Climb, Standing High Jump, High Hurdles, Horizontal Bar, Running High Jump, Fence Vault, Flying Rings, 16 pound Shot and the Potato Race. The flying rings were added to the program for the first time last year and met with hearty approval.

Besides the interclass cup there are two other cups to be competed for. One is the gymnasium cup for the best performance on the Parallel Bars, the other is the McCracken cup for the best all round athlete.

This year because of the interest at college in the art of jiu-jitsu and in wrestling a wrestling exhibition has been arranged between Madden '08 and either Mr. Velte or Bulkley '05. It is needless to add that this event will prove particularly exciting as all three of the men mentioned are very good.

Music will be furnished between the events by the mandolin club.

The largest number of entries has been handed in by the freshman class who have been particularly energetic in practicing for their events. The meet last year was won by the Juniors by an overwhelming majority.

It will be interesting to see who will win the meet to-night.

GIFT TO THE NATURAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT.

Miss Annie Lorenz of Hartford, sister of Edward H. Lorenz, Trinity 1902, has presented this week to the Natural History department a collection of New England Hepatical, or "Liverworts." Nearly half of the species at present known to New England are represented, fifty-five species of thirty-seven genera, including most of those commonly met with. Miss Lorenz will add further species as collected.

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In 1902, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Lorenz presented to the herbarium a very beautiful collection of ferns. The further proof of interest in the biological work of the college is deeply appreciated by every one interested in the enlargement of our facilities for study and research.

COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Week of March 26 to April 1.

Sunday, March 26—7:45 A. M., holy communion.

4:45 P. M., Musical vesper service.

Monday, March 27—6:45 P. M., Brotherhood of St. Andrew in 19 Northam.

7:30, meetings of Mission Study Classes.

8 P. M., meeting of Confirmation Class.

Tuesday, March 28—7 P. M., meeting of Varsity Debating team in the History room.

Wednesday, March 29—4 P. M., meeting of the 1907 Debating team in 40 Jarvis.

12 M., lecture by Mr. Burpee in the History room on "Current Events."

Friday, March 31—11 A. M., History Test.

6:45 P. M., Mandolin Club Rehearsal at 122 Vernon street.

Saturday, April 1—9:45 A. M., "Ivy" board meeting

1:45 P. M., Dramatic Club rehearsal in Alumni Hall.

Afternoon, baseball game, Trinity vs. Princeton at Princeton.

Baseball practice daily, Saturday excepted, at 3:30 P. M.

Track practice daily, Saturday excepted at 4 P. M.

Noon day service in chapel, daily, Saturday excepted, at 12 M.

COLLEGE NOTES.

President Luther will meet the class preparing for confirmation Monday evening.

Juniors and Seniors will hand lists of all the honors which they have won in college to C. D. Haight '06, of the "Ivy" board as soon as possible.

Miss Mary A. Cross will sing at the musical vesper service in Chapel Sunday afternoon. This service will be held at 4:45 o'clock instead of at the customary hour, 5 o'clock.

President Luther left this morning for a short Trip. He will speak before the students of Worcester Academy, Worcester, Mass., this evening, and on Sunday morning he will preach at Exeter, N. H. and in the evening he will address the students of the academy there.

ALUMNI DEPARTMENT.

'68. Prof. Henry Ferguson who is making a tour of southern Europe and Egypt is at present in Cairo.

'96 We regret to announce that the son born to Alex K. Gage '96 died March 18.

'96 The Hart & Hegeman Mfg. Co., Shiras Morris '96 secretary and treasurer, has bought the lot on the corner of Capitol avenue and Broad street, extending along Capitol ave. to Laurence st., and north to Park river. The company expects to erect a factory on the lot this coming summer.

To-morrow, being the Feast of the Annunciation, the Holy Communion will be celebrated in the chapel at 7:30 o'clock.

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THE ALUMNI DEPARTMENT.

As we announced several weeks ago the "Tripod" will hereafter make especial efforts to obtain and publish news of the Alumni. We feel that this department is a most important part of the paper and we desire to make its columns, although they are naturally filled with undergraduate news, of more interest to those who have long since been actively connected with the college, by letting them know what classmates and friends are doing in the world.

For this purpose we have secured the help of several alumni in various cities throughout the country, who have kindly consented to act as our alumni reporters in those cities and districts. They will send us news of what Trinity men about them are doing. We publish below a list of these representatives with their addresses:

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This list is not as yet complete. We have yet to arrange for reporters in New York, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Chicago, and other cities where there are Trinity men, but the lists of these, additional representatives will be published as soon as they have been secured.

We trust that alumni will notify these representatives of any notes which they may think will be of interest to the "Tripod," and therefore to Trinity men. It is only in this way that this department can be made successful and interesting.

"DRESS SUITS" AT AMHERST.

President Harris Makes an Appeal for
Cast-off Dress Suits for Poorer
Students—A Storm of
Criticism.

At a recent meeting of the Amherst Club of New York city, President Harris of Amherst made a speech in which he appealed publicly for the cast-off "dress suits" for the poorer students. This appeal has evoked considerable criticism. The "New York Tribune" has made a large article if it by obtaining the opinions of professors and representative students of several colleges.

Unfavorable criticism of President Harris's appeal forms considerably the larger part of the article. "When it comes to aping the rich, to putting on vanities, the poor man ought to acknowledge his inability to do it, and stay away from unnecessarily gay social functions," says a member of the faculty of Cornell. A member of the faculty of Wesleyan University says: "Most young men are not ashamed of being poor or of the fact that they earn their way through college, but they are ashamed to have any one know that they are begging anything or that any one is begging for them."

The student opinion as expressed is almost entirely adverse criticism, the general sentiment being that the student accepting the cast-off clothing would lose the respect of those who knew it. "If the other students know a fellow was wearing a dress suit given him out of charity, they would lose respect for him. They would sooner introduce him to a pretty girl in a sack coat which was his own, than in a dress suit which was the cast-off garment of some alumnus."

President Harris's appeal is treated as a joke by many professors of other colleges. A professor of Brown University defends him. "President Harris's request is not in any way wrong. There are many students in almost every college who should go to certain social functions, and who cannot because they are unable to afford dress suits. The possession of a dress suit today is not always indicative of station—it is somewhat of a uniform to be worn on all occasions—it is prescribed by society just as uniforms are for members of the army." The general sentiment of the University of Pennsylvania is said to be, "Dress Suits are not necessary, nor indeed desirable. We want the men for their own sakes, and not for the costumes they may wear."

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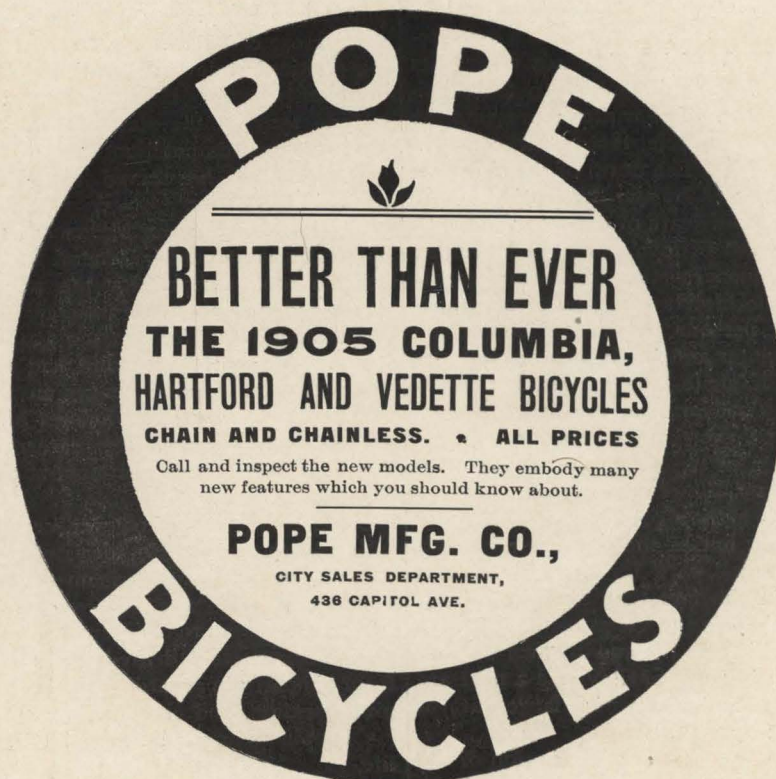
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welfare and this is what made him one of the best of American statesmen.

Allen R. Goodale, 1905, spoke on the same subject as did Burrows, "Senator Hoar." He told of his life, his entry into politics, his services to the nation and the noble example he has left to Americans of future generations. He emphasized especially the honesty of the man, saying that during his long service in the senate he represented the state which sent him, and not a few railroad companies or other corporations.

The last speaker of the evening was Walter Beach Sherwood, 1905, of this city, who spoke on the "Oxford Movement." This movement which was but part of a larger religious agitation, began with Keble's sermon on "National Apostasy," in 1833 and closed with the numerous defections of its adherents in 1845. It emphasized the corporate nature of the church as a great objective truth.

The movement had an inner meaning, both historical and doctrinal. It was a reaction from the previous deadness in spiritual things. The search was for authority and the Oxford movement appealed to the authority of the historic Catholic church of which the English church was a part. Its doctrinal teaching can be summed up in one word, the Incarnation.

The first impulse to the movement was given by Keble. The "Tracts of the Times" followed this. The three principal workers were Newman, Keble and Pusey. A new school with Roman tendencies arose, led by W. G. Ward. Then came "Tract No. 90," which was an attempt to show that the "thirty-nine Articles" were not necessarily anti-Roman. This immediately led to the charge of Romanism against the "Tractarians."

Newman's secession to Rome was the culmination of the movement. Here the Tractarians as a party were shattered. The Oxford movement was checked, but its work widened and continued, although along somewhat different lines.

During the interval when the judges had retired to make their decision, the Mandolin Club played several selections.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

Minnesota will not be represented by a baseball team this spring.

Yale will play Fordham tomorrow in New York on the same diamond on which Fordham last year defeated Yale, 6 to 5. Yale will probably line up as follows:

Pitchers, Jackson and Bell; catchers Erwin and Lasley; first base, Captain Bowman; second base, Shevlin, Ford and Huiskamp; shortstop, O'Brien; third base, Church, Kinney and Camp; outfield, Cote, Smith and Barnes.

BASE BALL.

Owing to the condition of Yale field the baseball team was unable to play the game scheduled with Yale on Wednesday. An effort is being made to arrange a game later in the season. The next scheduled game is with Princeton at Princeton Saturday, April 1.

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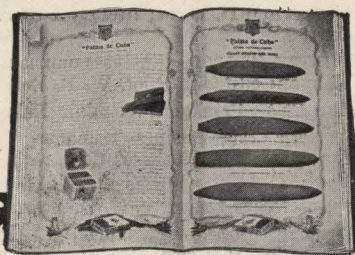
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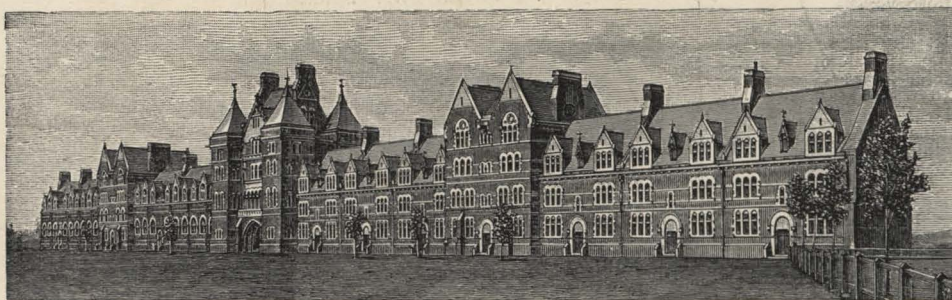
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