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BASKETBALL CAPTAIN.

A. L. Gildersleeve, '11, Elected.

Prospects of the Team.

At a meeting of the members of last year's basketball team Wednesday noon, Arthur L. Gildersleeve, '11, of Gildersleeve, was elected captain for this year. Gildersleeve entered Trinity a year ago from Worcester Academy. Last year he was one of the most prominent men in athletics at college. In the fall he played an excellent game at end on the football team, and in the winter he played guard on the basketball team, and in the spring he occupied the position of left field on the baseball team. Gildersleeve played right tackle on this year's successful football team.

Under the leadership of Captain Gildersleeve a very aggressive team should represent Trinity. He has had a great deal of experience in this line, both in school and college.

The basketball season is about to begin at Trinity. The prospects for one of the best teams we have had in several years is very brilliant. This year the team will not be under the supervision of the athletic association; as it was voted last spring to have this winter sport withdrawn from the ruling of the association. Alexander W. Creedon, '09, of Hartford, who was the assistant manager of last year's team is to manage the team.

Professor Joseph D. Flynn, of the mathematics department, is to coach the team. He has had considerable experience along this line, both as a player and a coach. He had charge of the team last year.

There are many of last year's varsity men available and the squad is larger than ever before. Under the leadership of Captain A. L. Gildersleeve a good team seems to be assured. Of last year's varsity and substitutes the following are still in college: Connor, '09, Capen, '10, Carroll, '11 and A. L. Gildersleeve, '11. Among the other promising men are Backus, '09, Abbey, '10, Stansfield, '10, A. M. Smith, '10, Ramsdell, '11, Green, '11 and Turner, '12.

Practice is held every afternoon in the gymnasium at 5 o'clock. Coach Flynn is desirous that everyone, who has had any experience with the game come out and try for the team as there are two vacant positions to be filled.

Manager Creedon has made out an excellent schedule which will be announced in a later issue. Among the colleges that Trinity will meet are, Wesleyan, Yale, Williams, and West Point.

Goodrich, '09, has left college for a short time on account of illness.

SENIOR SMOKER.

Held on Tuesday Evening.

On Tuesday evening the senior class had a very enjoyable smoker at Chase's Rathskellar on Asylum Street, which was reserved exclusively for their use. The members began to assemble about eight o'clock, and all had arrived at eight-thirty. Nearly all the members of the class were present, and there were also several ex-members of the class. The earlier part of the evening was spent in informal singing and the formal program was begun by the singing of "Neath the Elms." This was followed by a speech by J. S. Carpenter on subject of 1909. The next feature was the singing of the poem composed by G. E. Elwell. This was sung to the tune of Auld Lang Syne, by the senior quartette.

Next H. N. Chandler spoke of the sometime members of the class. Then several selections were rendered by the quartette. Next L. Harriman gave "A Bit of Drool," which was very well received.

The formal exercises were followed by class songs, class cheers, and informal talks. Among those who spoke were W. J. Hammersley, who spoke as an ex-member of the class; Paul Butterworth, ex-'08, who spoke as a new member of the class; and M. A. Connors, the captain of the baseball team.

There were among the toasts given, toasts to President Flavel S. Luther, the football team, and Prof. Gettell.

A vote of thanks was extended to the committee for the fine way in which they had prepared the smoker. The program, which has already been described in the Tripod, was one of the neatest programs the college has ever had and the poem by G. E. Elwell was excellent. The committee, composed of G. E. Elwell, Chairman; George S. Buck, E. K. Roberts, Jr., and W. H. Plant, ex officio, surely deserve all the praise given them.

The smoker broke up at a late hour, all the members voting the evening one of the most enjoyable of their college course.

JUNIOR PROM. ARRANGEMENTS.

Arrangements are being rapidly perfected for the Junior Promenade which is to be held in February. The committee has buckled down to work and everything is running smoothly. This class is the "Lemon Squeezer" class and is striving and will strive with might and main to uphold the reputation denoted thereby. They have been set an example by the class of 1909, and will do their best to equal or surpass this class' fine affair last year.

To the C. H. Willard Company of New York City has been allotted the work of making the Prom. programs. These will be of a new and original design proposed by the company.

Alumni hall will be decorated in maroon and white bunting, the colors of

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FOOTBALL NOMINATIONS.

Meeting Monday Evening.

There will be a meeting of the athletic association on Monday evening, December 7, in the English room, at 6.45 p. m. sharp. This meeting is for the purpose of electing the manager and assistant manager of next year's football team. The following are nominated:

For manager, Joseph Groves.

For assistant manager, A. L. Cook, W. C. Dewey, W. C. Skinner, B. F. Yates.

Groves is a member of the class of 1910, has been on the staff of the Tripod for the last two years and is this year on the Ivy Board. He is a member of the Sophomore Dining Club and of the D. K. E. fraternity.

W. C. Dewey is a member of the class of 1911, of the Sophomore Dining Club, and of the Delta Psi fraternity.

W. C. Skinner is a member of the class of 1911, of the Sophomore Dining Club, and the I. K. A. fraternity.

B. F. Yates is also a member of the class of 1911, of which he was the president in the first term of his freshman year. He is on the Tripod staff, is a member of the musical clubs and of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

HOCKEY TEAM OUTLOOK.

Best in Several Years.

Now that the football season is over and winter is coming on, hockey is beginning to attract general interest. The team this year is captained by Paul Roberts, '09, who has played on the team for three years. S. P. Haight, last year's assistant manager, is manager. He is preparing an excellent schedule which will be published later in the Tripod. Among the teams which will probably be played are Williams, West Point, Springfield Training School, Renssallaer Polytechnic Institute, Westminster School, and Hartford High School. There will probably be several games besides these.

The material this year is very promising and a good team will undoubtedly be turned out by Captain Roberts.

Morrow, '09, who worked well at left end last year, will probably fill the same position this season.

Buck, '09, who was a tower of strength at cover point last year, was new to the game then. With last year's experience he ought to put up a splendid game this year, unless his injury received in football hinders his work.

Brainerd, '11, last year's alternate goal, will be a candidate for that position this year.

Pond, Morris, Budd, and Stevens, of last year's team will be missed, especially the latter, who played a fine game at point.

S. P. Haight, '11, who did not play last year on account of studies, will undoubtedly fill one of the line positions this year. He was captain and

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SOPHOMORES WIN

In Annual Underclass Football Game.

On Tuesday afternoon the annual underclass football game took place. The starting of the game was unfortunately delayed. For this reason the game was shortened to halves of ten and five minutes. On account of the poor light, there was very little open playing. Short, '12, in the middle of the first half, got the ball in a general mixup, and made a long run, nearly making a touchdown. After this the sophomores worked the ball down the field but finally lost it to the freshmen. Oliver's '12 attempt to punt was blocked by Clark, and S. P. Haight secured the ball, making a run of twenty yards but missing a touchdown by six inches. On the next play, however, Buck carried the ball over for the touchdown. Gildersleeve failed in his attempt to kick the goal.

In the second half the ball was kept most of the time in midfield, and neither goal was in danger. In this half Gildersleeve, '12, sprained his ankle and was forced to retire.

The sophomores deserved to win, as they had the stronger team. The freshmen backfield was fast, but the line was weak, whereas the sophomore team was uniformly strong throughout.

The lineup was as follows:

1911.	1912.
Burdick, l e.....l e,	Barrett
Carroll, l t.....l t,	Beers
Blackman, l g.....l g,	Breed
Green, e.....e,	Rankin
Clark, r g.....r g,	Barnes
Gildersleeve, r t.....r t,	Bleeker
S. P. Haight, r e.....r e,	Bates
Pomeroy, q b..q b,	Gildersleeve (Short)
Ramsdell (c), r h b.....r h b (c)	Oliver
Knowlton, l h b.....l h b (c)	Oliver
Buck, f b.....f b,	Tyrrell
Referee, Henshaw;	Umpire, Paul
Roberts;	Head linesman, N. H. Gildersleeve;
Touchdown, Buck.	Halves 10 minutes and 5 minutes.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Gibson has returned to college after and absence due to illness.

The football picture was taken Monday at Randall's studio. The following men were in it: Henshaw, captain, Maxson, Roberts, Xanders, Carroll, Gildersleeve, Ramsdell, Snow, Burdick, Breed and Backus.

There will be a rehearsal of the Mandolin club, Saturday night at 7 o'clock in the music room. The trainer will be on hand and all members are requested to be present.

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The Tripod wishes to apologize for the serious typographical errors which occurred in the last issue. This was due to a mistake on the part of the linotypers which resulted in the issue going to press without proper proof reading.

EDITORIAL.

It was illustrated at the Senior Class Smoker, which was recently held as an innovation, that it is a thing that should be carried on at Trinity. In other words, this recent function was a complete success. There are really comparatively few things that tend to keep the college classes intact. This is especially true after the men become upper classmen. While underclassmen the various class scraps make class enthusiasm. Any class in college that has good class spirit will have good college spirit—and that's what we need at Trinity.

The smoker brought together nearly all of the men of the class, both those who are in college and those who are out. Old times and new times were discussed, songs were sung and stories told. Everyone was interested which made the affair, even though the first of its kind, one of the best of the college happenings of the year. It was such a success that doubtlessly another will be held during the year. But do not let such a thing stop at such an early stage—but rather have it continued year after year. A smoker of this kind has many good qualities that tend to promote Trinity spirit, and that is what is wanted.

HOCKEY TEAM OUTLOOK.

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star player of Brooklyn Poly. Prep. School, and will fill well the vacancy left open by Morris at right forward.

Welton, '11, the substitute line man last year, stands a good chance of filling the other vacancy on the line, that of right end.

Besides these men there are many other good players in college, some being old men who for various reasons did not play last year, others being members of the freshman class, several of whom were good players on their "prep" school team. With good ice and plenty of cold weather, everything points to a very successful team, if nothing unforeseen happens.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

Several of the college football teams have elected their captains for next season. Hamilton Fish, Jr., has been elected captain of the Harvard team. Fish has been acting captain most of this season on account of the absence of Burr who was out of the game because of injuries.

Albert C. Miller, the substitute quarterback, has been elected captain of the University of Pennsylvania for next year. In the Cornell game, Miller played a sensational game.

Wesleyan's team will be captained next year by Arthur Moore, who has been playing right tackle on this year's team.

The Williams' team has elected Belvidere Brooke, the left tackle for the past two seasons, captain for next year.

Carlisle defeated Nebraska State University in their last game by a score of 37 to 6.

J. B. Taylor, the former champion quarter-mile runner of the University of Pennsylvania, died at his home, December 2nd, from typhoid pneumonia. Taylor was considered one of the best quarter-mile runners in the world, having negotiated the distance in 48 4-5 seconds. For three years he was the intercollegiate champion and record holder and was the first colored man ever picked to carry the American flag on his breast in Olympic championship, figuring in the much discussed 400 metre run which was awarded to Great Britain, the American team being dissuaded on account of a claim of fouling.

MEETING OF THE "JESTERS."

A meeting of the Jesters was called to order Thursday at 6.45 in the History room by President Baekus, '09, for the purpose of announcing the new plays. Oliver, '10, said that the committee had selected several plays from which two were chosen and approved by Prof. Brenton. These are: "Uncle's Will," by the noted English writer S. T. Smith and "Faithful James." These plays were very carefully selected and are suited to the abilities of the men. The trials for the different parts will be held in Alumni Hall next Monday afternoon, under Prof. Brenton's supervision.

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JUNIOR PROM. ARRANGEMENTS.

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the Junior class and much pains will be taken to have these unrivalled as an exhibition of taste and color Hatch's orchestra of this city will furnish their usual excellent music.

The Junior Promenade is the great affair of the college year and it is expected that not only a large majority of the undergraduate body will be present but that there will be a great influx of alumni, both those who live in the city of Hartford and those out of town, who will attend the Prom.

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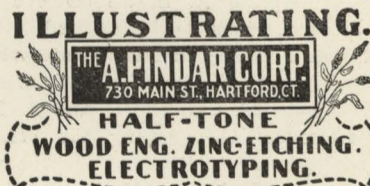
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ALUMNI DEPARTMENT.

The following Trinity men were among those at the Army-Navy game. Twelve of them met by chance at the Bellevue-Stratford and talked things over, especially the success of the football team. Among those present were: W. F. Morgan, '88, Harmon Graves, '92, W. S. Langford, '96, W. H. Gage, '96, Dr. F. Hicks, '96, M. H. Coggeshall, '96, G. E. Cogswell, '97, A. M. Langford, '97, H. W. Haywood, '97, A. D. Vibbert, '98, C. L. Burnham, '98, L. G. Reynolds, '98, W. D. Austin, '98, E. S. Travers, '98, A. H. Onderdonk, '99, J. H. K. Davis, '99, W. P. Brown, '01, Herman Schwartz, '06, Phillip Gage, ex-'08, J. P. Aleshire, ex-'09, W. E. Larned, ex-'10, W. E. Batterson, ex-'11.

'48. A stone altar has been placed in St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia, which with a new reredos and other decorations is a memorial of the Rev. George Herbert Moffett, '48.

'79. The J. B. Lippincott Company has recently published a book entitled "Struggle for American Independence" by Sydney George Fisher. The following description of the work is taken from a circular issued by the company.

This valuable contribution to American historical literature is a comprehensive history of the whole revolutionary movement from a point of view quite different from the usual one. A great deal of the original evidence, which has heretofore been ignored by historians, is brought to light and made accessible to the ordinary reader; it is cited in foot-notes so that future investigators may begin with it and add to it, instead of investigating the whole subject afresh. The Loyalists, their writings, arguments, and actions are treated for the first time as the testimony of eye-witnesses, to be weighed along with the rest. The Navigation Laws, the Stamp Act, the Paint, Paper, and-Glass Act, the Tea Act, and all the other Parliamentary legislation, instead of being condemned as unqualified absurdities, are discussed more thoroughly than ever before, and treated from the English as well as from the American standpoint. The English Whig party is not assumed to have been infallible, and the history written from its narrow point of view. The peculiar position of the Whig politician, General William Howe, sent out by the Tory party to conquer America, his mysterious inertness and peculiar methods, the suspicions and charges of the time that he was acting only for his party, and if he could not obtain a compromise on Whig principles would do nothing in the way of subjugating the colonists are handled in full detail, with much interesting evidence. The policy of the British Government, instead of being represented as a piece of cruel and mistaken tyranny, is shown to have been the beginning of the modern British Empire, England's first effort to consolidate her colonies, an effort of imperial expansion, less skillful and experienced than her modern efforts, but in its intention and general ideas the same; and her modern method of governing her colonies is compared with the method against which our ancestors rebelled. The nature of the assistance given the American patriots by France, Spain, and Holland, is very fully explained. The Southern cam-

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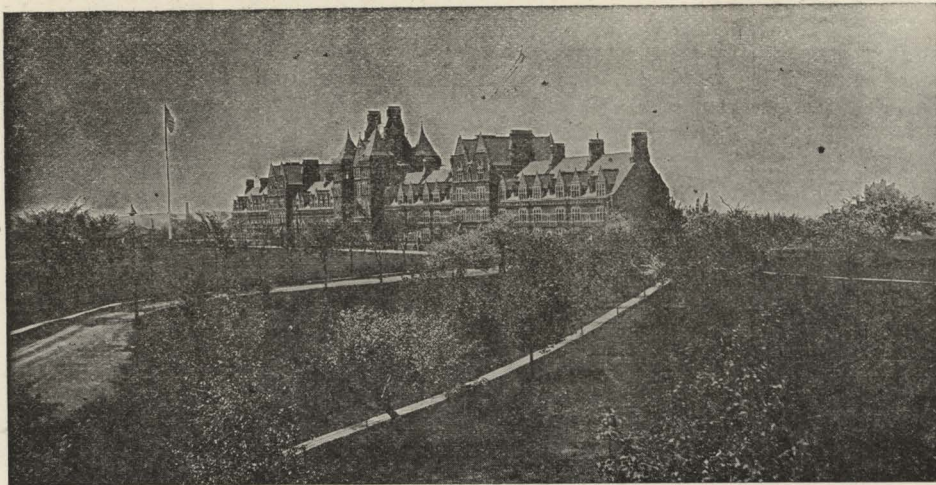
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48. Major Louis N. Middlebrook of Bridgeport died at his residence on West Avenue in that place Saturday evening last, after a short illness. He was born at Trumbull, June 19, 1825, the eldest son of Robert and Nancy Burton Middlebrook. He was educated at Cheshire Academy, was graduated at Trinity College with the class of 1848, and was therefore one of our oldest alumni. After studying law in his early years in Stamford, he was admitted to the Fairfield county bar and had for many years been a prominent practicing lawyer in Bridgeport where he had resided since 1857. Shortly after the breaking out of the Civil War, he volunteered his services to Governor Buckingham, and was commissioned captain of Company D, First Connecticut Cavalry, with which regiment he served during the earlier campaigns in Virginia and West Virginia. He married December 9, 1857, Juliet Tomlinson, daughter of Henry Tomlinson of Stratford, who died May 30, 1901. Major Middlebrook had been prominently connected with the Connecticut Humane Society and other state institutions in the southern part of the state for many years, but on account of his failing health and age, of late years had been compelled to relinquish many of his former interests. He is survived by an only son, Albert James Middlebrook, secretary of the American Tube and Stamping Company of Bridgeport, and by his sister, Mrs. Frances Middlebrook Wordin of No. 66 Imlay Street, Hartford.

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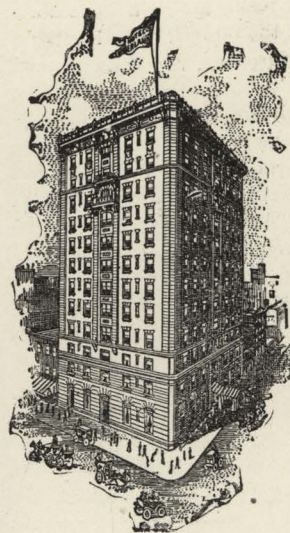
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