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REVEREND GEORGE B. HOPSON

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1863-1913

I

How well they built, those Romans long ago!
The English highroad in its onward reach
Still spans the river on their massive arch,
The bridge built staunchly in some Caesar's day.
Through countless generations, without breach,
Its piers have held the trend of pilgrimage
In the same track. The same broad Roman way
Is firm beneath the race's tireless march.

Since Caesar's legions, lo, how many pass!
Yet the long road remains.
They wrought for Caesar—Aye, they wrought for God,
Across deep streams and treacherous morass,
And lifted up God's highway o'er the plains.

The smoothly whirling years have spun at length
The thread of centuries; and life moves on
Unquestioning the highway's buttressed strength.
Aye, life moves on, moves on, secure, intent,
And the great stones beneath its ceaseless tread
Their witness bear to its security;
Their witness to the men whose hands were torn,
Whose patient backs were bent,

As those huge blocks from the deep quarry's bed
 Were slowly lifted and as slowly borne
 To fill their place through far futurity,
 The road o'er which God's message must be sent.

How well they built! What steadfastness they knew!
 What loyalty to truth! Their humble task
 (Hard, too, as humble) was to them as Art,
 The changeless form their labor should retain,
 The special gift that time from them could ask;
 And each his piece made true
 At any test of strength, or cost of strain.

II

Most wondrous masonry
 Builds up that highway, where with steps untired
 Are pressing outward toward Earth's utmost bound
 God's messengers inspired;
 Where life, thrilled thro' with power, yearns toward life,
 With the Great Father's yearning for His own.
 Beneath Faith's buttressed road
 Lies the profound art by the Builders known,
 The Builders of the way that leads life on,
 And lifts life up, till at its end there waits
 The joyous City with its open gates,
 Each one a pearl, and walls of lustrous stone,
 Jasper and jacinth and chalcedony.

III

A Builder of God's highway! Here today
 We honor him, the man of loyal heart,
 Who through th' half-circling century has been
 Unfailing in his flawless faithfulness,
 And of St. Stephen's more and more a part.
 His life's adventure bade him stand serene
 Making more sure one stretch of the great way,
 Where duty bravely done outshines success.

Here we salute you! Ne'er have plaudits rung
 More genuine, more reverent than these.
 As still you wait, 'mid the familiar scene,
 You only have the welcome that we love

Which spans the years whose course brooks no delay.
 Unaging as our youth, you seem to move
 Forever through the days when we were young.
 And o'er your head the elms' long branches sway.

IV

Bend lovingly and close, O trees,
 And as you shade his pathway whisper low
 With leaves atremble in the summer breeze:
 Old friends are we!
 Old friends, who share our thoughts,
 Our secrets, tenderly.
 And we have faced together fifty years;
 Have felt their wintry blasts blow keen,
 Have felt the stir of Spring,
 And its recurrent beauty seen;
 And ever, thro' these richly dowered years,
 This friend of ours and we
 Have sensed the motion of abounding life,
 Of ageless life, since it seems ever young,
 And ever looking far away.
 Through the expectant years such life has gone,
 Pulsing and passing 'neath our shadowy touch,
 And ever looking far away—
 Yet oft has known our branches' loveliness,
 And loved us for it, though it might not stay,
 Transient as time with its brief happy day!

But he has stayed, this friend of ours, content
 To touch and strengthen this unpausing life,
 Making it abler for its visions' task
 Ere it essay that task's accomplishment.
 And oft, we know, far off amid the stress
 Of worldwide restlessness
 Hearts have been gladdened and our friend would bless
 For his calm steadfastness.

V

Well spoke the prophet: Beautiful the feet
 Of them that bring glad tidings of good things;
 The heralds who proclaim the King of kings!

Yet stirring tones those other words repeat:
 Prepare His way! Make straight His path! that fleet
 And stumbling not His messengers may be;
 Until revealed complete
 The glory of the Lord all flesh shall see!

All honor to the heralds! But today
 Our laurels are for him who builds the way!

John Mills Gilbert, '90



Commencement.

Commencement Day is the most delightful and yet the saddest day in the collegiate year. Coming at the end, it marks the culmination of the year's effort and is an outward expression of satisfaction gained from work done. This Commencement was particularly remarkable in this last respect for it marked the completion of fifty years of untiring toil and service for St. Stephen's of the Rev. Dr. George Bailey Hopson, our venerable Professor of Latin. Never has a graduating class had a better, stronger example set before them than the fulfilment of duty in the life of Dr. Hopson.

Examinations, the usual days of gloom and preparation before the festivity of June week, appeased the rain god and allowed Commencement to be four days of most favorable weather. The brilliant sunshine, the fresh greenness of Spring-time, the smooth roll of the Campus, the shadowy outlines of the Catskills, all Nature seemed to unite in a delightful harmony. St. Stephen's shone in all her natural beauty.

Saturday morning, the contest for the McVickar prize in Oratory was held. John Warren Day, '13, Boston, Mass., was the successful contestant with his oration, "The College Graduate and Public Life."

The regular festivities of Commencement were preceded by the dinner tendered to Dr. Hopson by the student body, on Saturday evening, June Seventh, in special commemoration of his fiftieth and last anniversary in active college life. Preston Hall was decked for the affair with the colors and banners of Trinity College and St. Stephen's, respectively, Dr. Hopson's Alma Mater and his "Grata Filia," surely the beloved and grateful child of his love and care for half a century. The dinner, attended by the whole student body, the President and Faculty, and a few early-arrived Alumni, was followed by a representative list of speeches and toasts, overflowing with enthusiasm and love for dear Dr. Hopson. John W.

Day, President of the graduating class, acted as toast-master and opened the exercises by calling upon Dr. Rodgers to speak for the College. Briefly the President set forth in strong and grateful words the rugged character and untiring devotion to duty and conscience of Dr. Hopson, the solid pillar in the sometimes wavering structure of St. Stephen's, the ever faithful pilot in times of storm and stress.

Dr. Rodgers was followed by Dr. Clarke for the Faculty, who in humorous vein with pleasing and personal anecdotes, drawn from an intimate friendship and association with Dr. Hopson since 1879, paid tribute to the long life, the faithful service, and the persevering study and intellectual ability of Dr. Hopson, the loving minister and extraordinary scholar in sacred and classic literature.

At this point Charles E. McAllister, '14, acting in behalf of the students, presented Dr. Hopson with a handsome large print edition of the Bible and Prayer Book. Dr. Hopson responded with hearty thanks and a delightful fatherly speech, upon the character building of a college course, and the proper use of that character in future life, all from the ripe experience of the venerable old man, whose very life is the living example of what he commends and teaches.

The rest of the program was completed with speeches by the four class presidents, Brown, '16, Nicholls, '15, Prout, '14, and Day, '13, Bridgman, '13, in behalf of the Dragon Club and Buxton, for the special students, all conveying the love and best wishes of the students to the dear friend, the faithful priest, the able professor, George Bailey Hopson.

SUNDAY

On Sunday morning there was a choral Eucharist at half past ten o'clock. President Rodgers was the celebrant, assisted by the Reverend Messrs. Quinn and Bowles. The Rev. Baron M. Dickinson of St. Stephen's, Lewisham, London, preached the Commencement sermon from the eleventh verse of the fifth chapter of the Book of Ezra. He emphasized the necessity of clearing away the stuff and rubbish of our mental and spiritual equipment and of laying good foundations for the work of life. He also dwelt upon the healthy religious atmosphere which surrounds the life at St. Stephen's.

Sunday at Evensong the Rev. Dr. Houghton, '69, of the Church of the Transfiguration, New York, delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon, taking as his text a part of the twenty-seventh verse of the twelfth chapter of the Proverbs, "The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting." The key word of the sermon was progress. He pointed out the

duty and responsibility of working hard after one leaves College, of advancing in life by roasting that which has been taken in the hunt of undergraduate life. Upon his own associations with the College and Dr. Fairbain he touched with great tenderness.

For this service the procession formed in front of the President's House and marched down Campus in the following order: Assistant Marshal McAllister, '14; the Undergraduates; Assistant Marshal Armstrong, '14; the Senior Class; Assistant Marshal Medford, '14; the Former Students and Alumni; Marshal Ely, '14, carrying the mace; the Faculty and clergy.

MONDAY

The tennis finals were played off on Monday, June 9th. Day, '13 and Mahaffey, '13 were matched against Edwards, '15 and Hale, '15 in the doubles and returned victors. In the singles, Day defeated Buxton, in a very spirited contest.

The tournament called forth an unusually large number of players; there being nine teams entered in the doubles and eighteen men in the singles.

The handicaps were somewhat different from those in previous years. The entrants were placed in four divisions as follows:—first class; second class, divisions A and B; third class. The first class men were placed at scratch, the second class A men were allowed fifteen points every other game, and the second class B men, fifteen points every game, and third class men were allowed thirty and fifteen points in the alternating games. The men with the advantages commenced playing with a "love" score, while those who were handicapped started with a minus fifteen or minus thirty score depending upon the class of the men matched. This offered to those who were handicapped a better opportunity to win than did the former method and it proved to be very satisfactory.

The scores were as follows:

Singles—Day, winner

3:6, 6:4, 6:3, 6:2

Doubles—Day-Mahaffey, winners.

6:2, 6:1, 6:3.

There was a large gallery present.

At two o'clock Monday afternoon the Speaking Contest for the President's prize was held in Ludlow and Willink Hall. Dr. Rodgers was the donor of the prize of twenty-five dollars for the best extemporaneous speech, not to exceed ten minutes in length.

The subjects discussed were "Would it be advisable that the Presidential election should consist of one term of six years?" "Should the United States of America retain the Philippine Islands?" "Woman Suffrage."

Seven contestants entered: Messrs. McAllister, '14, Gage, '14, Leonhard, '14, Richards, '14, Ridgeway, '14, Johns, '15, and Twelves, Sp. Messrs. McAllister and Richards spoke in favor of Woman Suffrage and Messrs. Ridgeway, Johns and Twelves against it. Mr. Leonhard chose as his topic the six-year Presidential term. Mr. Gage spoke on the advisability of retaining the Philippine Islands.

All of the speaking was very good indeed. The prize was awarded to Twelves who spoke strongly against Woman Suffrage.

The Class Day Exercises were held at seven thirty on the oval south of the Library. Unhappy Seniors! Mother Earth or the Class of 1912 had made other provision and the sacred Algebra was not to be found. The Seniors, both graduating and incoming marched from old Aspinwall up to the Library, where the pyre had been prepared.

Although we didn't have the buried wine, we had some other and toasts were drunk with right good will to '13, '14, and Dr. Hopson. Then the traditional "pipe of peace" was smoked. President Day, '13, in the name of his class handed down to President McAllister, '14, the class spade and pipe. The Seniors proceeded to the portico of the Library and gave the assembled undergraduates some helpful advice.

After the Class Day exercises the students and their friends were entertained by the Dragon Club in Preston Hall. Sheridan's "Rivals" was the Commencement Play this year. Edwards and Armstrong were especially good as "Sir Anthony" and "Bob Acres." The cast was as follows:

Sir Anthony Absolute	James H. Edwards, '14
Capt. Jack Absolute	Charles E. McAllister, '14
Faulkland	Charles W. Victor Richards, '14
Bob Acres	Charles S. Armstrong, '14
Sir Lucius O'Trigger	Josiah Evans, '15
Fag	William Alexander, '16
David	J. Wesley Twelves, Sp
Thomas	H. Boyd Mahaffey, '13
Mrs. Malaprop	C. Gregory Prout, '14
Julia	George M. Hartley, '15
Lucy	Henry Glaeser, '14
Lydia Languish	Charles T. Bridgeman, '13

Immediately after the play there was a short informal dance which was greatly enjoyed by those of the large audience who took advantage of this opportunity for the only dancing in Commencement Week.

TUESDAY

All day Tuesday the Campus was gladdened with the arrival of more alumni. The old "Lyre Tree" saw and heard more than has been its wont for many a day.

The President's reception to the Alumni, Former Students, Seniors and friends was held at half past four in Ludlow and Willink Hall. The guests were received by President and Mrs. Rodgers, Mrs. I. F. Davidson, Miss Clark, and Miss Gertrude Reazor. Mrs. H. D. Lewis and Mrs. E. C. Upton poured tea. The genial hospitality which is so characteristic of Dr. and Mrs. Rodgers was especially apparent and made this reception, as usual, one of the pleasantest events of the Commencement Week. The striking architectural beauties of the President's House were enhanced by the decorations of ferns and peonies.

On Tuesday evening, the Rev. Dr. Anthony, an alumnus of the College and former Professor of Philosophy, preached a most powerful Missionary Sermon on militant Christianity. He especially attacked the type of Christianity which believes in slothful peace, in the segregation and hiding of evil, in the avoidance of the great problems of civilization. He criticized the type of undergraduate who, in preparing for the ministry looks forward to an easy life. He made a strong plea for militancy, for strenuous warfare in the cause of the Lord Jesus. The procession for the missionary service was formed in the same order used for the Baccalaureate procession.

The Eulexian Fraternity held its Commencement Banquet in Preston Hall. Twenty-one alumni were present, and with the active chapter and guests filled the long table which stretched the length of the Hall. Dr. Hopson received many tributes and good wishes from the brothers, and when he left, all arose and united in singing "For Auld Lang Syne." The other guests present were the Rev. President Rodgers, Rev. Henry B. Dickinson, M. A., Rev. Dr. H. M. Clark, and Mr. I. F. Davidson, M. A. The Rev. Dr. Charles A. Jessup called for the following toasts:

Eulexians' Obligation to St. Stephen's, Rev. F. W. Norris, D.D.

The College Man, Mr. W. A. Robertson.

Eulexian after College Days, Rev. D. S. Hamilton.

Ideals and Responsibilities, Rev. C. L. Biggs.

St. Stephen's—Recollections, Rev. J. M. Gilbert.

The True Fraternity Spirit, Mr. C. E. Buxton.

The Kappa Gamma Chi Fraternity held their banquet in Bard Hall. Seventeen alumni were present.

The New York Sigma Phi Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon gave its annual June banquet in Hoffman Inn, Red Hook, at nine o'clock. In ad-

dition to the twenty members of the active chapter there were present the following alumni: Arch-deacon Holden, Prof. Watson Selvage, Mr. Thomas P. Hammer of Pennsylvania Theta; Dr. Martin, Rev. Dr. Crockett, the Rev. Messrs. Tragett, Simmonds, Bishop, Drumm and Treder, Messrs. Sidman, Spear, Mullen, Curtis, E. J. Jennings, Rice. Dr. Upton, Dr. Robb, Mr. Smith and Archdeacon Ayers were guests. Bro. Holden as toastmaster called for these toasts:

Alma Mater

Little Things

Made to Order

A Toast to S. A. E.

My Ideals for St. Stephen's

A Tribute to Dr. Hopson

The Need of the Chapter

Enlightenment

Rays from the Chapter

Bro. Selvage

Bro. Treder

Bro. Bishop

Bro. Hammer

Bro. Brestelle

Bro. Sidman

Bro. Crockett

Bro. Day

Bro. Jennings

WEDNESDAY, COMMENCEMENT DAY.

The Alumni Celebration of the Holy Eucharist was held in the College Chapel on Commencement morning at 7.30 o'clock. The Rev. Samuel Upjohn, D.D., '63, was the Celebrant assisted by the President of the Association, the Rev. J. O. McIlhenny, '93.

The following members of the Association were present at roll call:—Reverends S. Upjohn, D. D., '63, G. C. Houghton, D. D., '67, F. S. Sill, D. D., '69, T. B. Fulcher, '73, P. Mc D. Bleecker, '76, G. W. S. Ayres, '78, F. B. Reazor, D. D., '79, F. C. Jewell, '81, C. A. Jessup, D. D., '82, R. MacKellar, '82, E. D. Sutcliffe, '82, W. B. Clarke, '83, R. H. Gesner, '83, W. Holden, D. D., '83, A. C. Clarke, '86, D. S. Hamilton, '86, C. M. Niles, D. D., '86, H. N. Tragitt, '86, L. R. F. Davis, '88, F. W. Norris, D. D., '88, P. C. Pyle, D. D., '89, F. W. Cornell, '91, A. R. B. Hageman, '91, C. L. Biggs, '93, J. O. McIlhenny, '93, F. C. Steinmetz, D. D., '93, O. F. R. Treder, '01, C. D. Drumm, '02, G. P. Symons, '04, G. S. Rathbun, '10, Messrs. F. J. Hopson, '85, Keble Dean, '89, W. B. Selvage, '98, E. A. Sidman, '98, L. F. Piper, '11, E. H. Spear, '11, E. J. Jennings, '12, A. Rose, '83.

The Necrologist reported the deaths of the Rev. H. G. Sterling, D. D., '71, Rev. Allen K. Smith, '90, Rev. W. R. Thomas, D. D., '69, Mr. P. L. Fernsler, '12, Rev. Joseph Carey, D. D., '61.

The treasurer, Dr. Sill reported a balance in the funds of the Association of \$105.66

The Rev. Dr. Steinmetz Chairman of the Hopson Jubilee Committee reported that \$600.00 had been raised. On motion it was resolved that Dr. Steinmetz be appointed to present the purse to the Rev. Dr. Hopson.

The Trustees of the Alumni Scholarship Fund reported a balance on hand of \$1334.72.

Mr. E. A. Sidman, Treas. reported \$2786.87 to the credit of the Gymnasium Fund.

The Committee, appointed to consider the whole matter of sending a communication to the Trustees regarding the conferring of honorary degrees too freely, reported as follows:—"That inasmuch as assurances have been given to us that there is opposition on the part of the President and within the Board of Trustees to a too free giving of honorary degrees, it would seem unwise to send any communication on this subject to the Trustees at this time, believing that the Board will in the future use their powers to confer degrees only in such a way as to reward conspicuous merit or as will redound to the welfare of the College, we therefore submit the following resolution—that the whole subject be laid on the table."

On motion it was resolved that the Committee on the Gymnasium be continued with power to add two members to its own number, and that an active campaign be undertaken to enlarge the Gymnasium Fund. And further that under no circumstances shall any moneys collected or to be collected be expended until there be sufficient funds in hand to build and pay for a suitable Gymnasium.

On motion it was resolved that the President be requested to communicate with the Alumni who are not members of the Association and to invite them to join it; and especially to invite those who have taken their B. A. in recent years. And for the purpose of carrying out this resolution be it resolved that the President be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for expenses incurred thereby.

On motion it was resolved that it is the sentiment of the Alumni Association, convened on June 11, 1913, that it heartily approves of the method of worship as at present conducted and respectfully suggest to the Rector of the College Chapel that the present normal ritual continue without significant additions.

For this year only fifty dollars was appropriated to the College MESSENGER.

On motion a resolution of sympathy was ordered to be sent to Mrs. F. R. Bagley on the illness of Mr. F. R. Bagley of the class of '77.

The elections resulted as follows:—

Directors { Messrs. Pyle, Jewell, Niles, Sidman, Holden, Treder, Bleecker MacKellar, and Sill.

President—The Rev. P. C. Pyle, D. D.

Vice-Pres.—Mr. E. A. Sidman

Sec'y.—The Rev. F. C. Jewell

Treas.—The Rev. F. S. Sill, D. D.

Elective Member of Executive Committee—The Rev. Wm. Holden, D. D.

The Rev. O. F. R. Treder was appointed the Necrologist for the current year.

The Former Students' Association held its annual meeting at the same hour in Aspinwall Hall. The officers for the ensuing year are:

President—Rev. C. C. Quinn

1st Vice-President—Rev. J. M. Gilbert

2d Vice-President—Rev. E. A. Smith

Secretary-Treasurer—Rev. Jacob Probst

\$10 was appropriated for the MESSENGER.

For the first time in some years we enjoyed a Commencement Day without rain. The procession formed in front of the President's House at 11.45 and marched to the chapel in the following order: the Band; Assistant Marshal McAllister; the Undergraduates; Assistant Marshal Armstrong; the Graduating Class; Assistant Marshal Medford; the Alumni and Former Students; Marshal Ely, bearing the College mace; the Trustees, Faculty and Clergy. As the procession marched down the hill the band played "Onward, Christian Soldiers." The processional hymn into the Chapel was "Through the night of doubt and sorrow." The Rev. Dr. Rodgers intoned the shortened form of matins, and the Rev. Wm. B. Clarke read the Lesson. A solemn Te Deum was sung and the Bidding Prayer pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Upjohn. The hymn "For all the saints who from their labours rest" was sung and Dr. Hopson said the Benediction. The Recessional was "The Church's One Foundation."

The graduation exercises were held in the old place under the trees on the Campus. Allen Dunning Jennings delivered the Salutatory. John Warren Day gave the McVickar Prize Oration on "The College Graduate and Public Life," and Charles Thorley Bridgeman the Valedictory.

The Honors and Prizes were awarded as follows:

McVickar Oratory Prize John Warren Day, '13

President's Prize for Extemporaneous Speaking

Philosophy Prize	John Wesley Twelves, Special
Latin Prize	Charles Eldridge McAllister, '14
Psychology Prize	Charles Eldridge McAllister, '14
Science Prize	Samuel Whitney Hale, '15
History Prize	Charles Steel Armstrong, '14
English Prize	Charles Steel Armstrong, '14
French Prize	Charles Steel Armstrong, '14
German Prize	Frank Goostray, Special
Mathematics Prize	Grieg Taber, '16
Greek Prize—divided between	Claude Humphreys, '15
	Chas. Steel Armstrong, '14 and Chas. Eldridge McAllister, '14
Elm. Greek Prize	Donald Hartwell Morse, '16
The Rev. J. M. Gilbert Essay Prize	Allen Dunning Jennings, '13
Graduation Honors in Mathematics	Hambleton Boyd Mahaffey

The degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred upon:

George Dudley Barr, Buffalo, N. Y.; Charles Thorley Bridgeman Rhinebeck, N. Y.; John Warren Day, Boston, Mass.; Allen Dunning Jennings, Hempstead, N. Y.,

The degree of Bachelor of Philosophy was conferred upon:

Hambleton Boyd Mahaffey, Altoona, Pa.

The degree of Bachelor of Arts is also to be conferred upon John N. Borton, Camden, N. J., who was absent on account of illness, as soon as he is sufficiently recovered to receive the degree in person.

The degree of Master of Arts in course was conferred upon Anton Franz Blaum '09, Inichi Banchi, Fukiri, Japan.

The degree of Master of Arts *honoris causa* was conferred upon the Rev. John Mills Gilbert, Harrisburg, Pa., and the Rev. Chas. C. Quinn, St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon Philip Sidney Dean, of New York City, for several years Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. Simon Blinn Blunt, Rector of All Saints' Church, Ashmount, Dorchester, Mass. Rev. John Mockridge, Vicar of Trinity Chapel, New York City.; Rev. Wm. B. Clarke, Seneca Falls, N. Y.

President Rodgers announced that Dr. Hopson had been made Professor Emeritus of Latin.

Philip Sidney Dean, as Secretary of the Board of Trustees read a set of engrossed resolutions from the Board, expressing their regret at the end of his fifty years' services and their appreciation of his untiring loyalty.

The Commencement, Luncheon at 1.15, resolved itself into a tribute to Dr. Hopson. Dr. Rodgers made one or two references to his Commencement Address which is printed elsewhere in this issue and introduced the Rev. Dr. Steinmetz, '93, who presented a purse to Dr. Hopson in behalf of the Alumni, expressing their appreciation of his unequalled service. Dr. Hopson responded briefly, thanking the Alumni both for their kind expression and the form it had taken. The Rev. Dr. Pyle, '90, the new President of the Alumni Association was then called and discussed the value of serviceable men, both as students and as members of the Faculty and described Dr. Hopson's long service as a splendid example. Here the Rev. J. M. Gilbert, '90, read his beautiful poem in honor of Dr. Hopson's Jubilee, which is printed elsewhere. The Rev. Dr. Upjohn, '63, the oldest living alumnus was next introduced and referred wittily to his acquaintance with Dr. Hopson. Dr. Rodgers then called on McAllister, '14, who expressed briefly the deep regard felt for Dr. Hopson by the Undergraduates. A spirited Alma Mater was sung, followed by a rousing "S" and Commencement, 1913, came officially to an end.

Salutatory.

ALLEN DUNNING JENNINGS.

Friends and Alumni of St. Stephen's:

For the Class of 1913, I bid you "Welcome" to our Commencement. This word of welcome many of you have heard, perhaps, many times before, on the birthday of St. Stephen's sons; but, I trust it has never been more sincerely spoken than today. For as I do but give utterance to the greeting of my classmates, so we—the Class of 1913—strive to express the *thought*, the *sentiment*, the *spirit* of our Alma Mater. *Her* spirit of welcome is not new, as those know full well whom her fostering care has sent before us. But as she lives as Alma Mater only in the spirits of her sons, so it is their privilege in the course of time, class by class as she gives them birth, to speak her word *once*; and then to listen for it in their own ears and hearts forever. And so I say, I trust that her spirit behind the word, has never been more fervent than in the Class of 1913, when for them again I say,

"St. Stephen's bids you welcome."

The College Graduate and Public Life*.

JOHN WARREN DAY.

There are always in our national life certain tendencies that give us ground for alarm, and certain others that give us grounds for hope. Among the latter we must put the fact that there has been a growing feeling among educated men that they are *in honor bound* to do their full share of the work in American public life.

We have in this country, more than in any other, an equality of rights. And every citizen should see that his rights are respected. But if there is an equality of rights, there is also an inequality of duties. It is proper to demand more from the man with exceptional advantages than from the man without them. A heavy moral obligation rests upon the men of means and upon the men of education to do their duty by their country. On no class does this obligation rest more heavily than upon the men with a collegiate education. Their education warrants them no right to feel the least superiority over any of their fellow-citizens; but it ought to make them feel that they should stand foremost in the honorable effort to serve the whole public by doing their duty as Americans in the body politic.

To the great body of men who have had exceptional advantages in the way of education we have a right, then, to look for good service to the state. This service may be rendered in many different ways. In some cases the man may rise to a high political position, as is demonstrated by the number of college graduates who are now taking a prominent part in public life. These cases must necessarily form but a small part of the whole. The great majority of our educated men are compelled to make their own living and are obliged to take up careers in which they must strive constantly in order to succeed. Nevertheless, the business man, the doctor, the clergyman, the lawyer, the architect, the engineer and the writer owe a positive *duty* to the community, the neglect of which they cannot excuse on any plea of private affairs. They are bound to follow intelligently the course of public events; they are bound to try to estimate and form judgment upon public men; and they are bound to act effectively in support of the principles which they deem to be right and for the best interests of the country. The educated man must realize that he is living in a democracy and under democratic conditions, and that he is entitled to no more respect and consideration than he can win by actual performance.

This must be steadily kept in mind not only by educated men them-

*McVicker Prize Oration.

selves, but particularly by the men who give the tone to our great educational institutions. These educational institutions, if they are to do their best work, must strain every effort to keep their life in touch with the life of the nation at the present day. This is necessary for the country, but it is very much more necessary for the educated men themselves. The country has a right to demand the honest and efficient service of every man in it, but especially of every man who has had the advantage of a rigid mental and moral training.

The first great lesson which the college graduate should learn is that of work rather than criticism. Criticism is necessary and useful; but it can never take the place of action. It is the doer of deeds who actually counts in the battle of life, and not the man who looks on and says how the fight ought to be conducted, without himself sharing the stress and the danger.

There is, however, a need for critical work. Wrongs should be strenuously and fearlessly denounced; evil principles and evil men should be condemned. The politician who cheats or swindles, or the newspaper man who lies, in any form, should be made to feel that he is an object of scorn for all honest men. We need fearless criticism; but we need that it should also be intelligent.

For educated men of weak character there lies a real danger in that kind of literary work which appeals to their cultivated senses because of its scholarly and pleasant tone, but which requires an attitude of mere criticism and negation in public life. This attitude teaches the adoption towards public men and public affairs of that sneering tone which so surely denotes a mean and small mind. Good can often be done by criticising sharply and severely the wrong; but excessive indulgence in criticism is never anything but bad, and no amount of criticism can in any way take the place of active and zealous warfare for the right.

Again there is a certain tendency to make educated men shrink from contact with the rough people who do the world's work, and associate only with one another and with those who think as they do. This is a most dangerous tendency. It is very easy to deceive one's self into the belief that one is performing the whole duty of man by sitting at home in ease, doing nothing wrong, and confining one's participation in politics to conversations and meetings with men who have had the same training and who look at things in the same way.

It is always a temptation to do this because those who do nothing else often speak as if in some way they deserved credit for their attitude, and as if they stood above their brethren who plough the rough fields.

This is a snare round which it behooves every young man to walk carefully. Let him beware of associating only with the people of his own

caste and of his own little ways of political thought. Let him learn that he must deal with the mass of men; that he must go out and stand shoulder to shoulder with his friends of every rank, and face to face with his foes of every rank, and that he must bear himself well on every occasion.

Yet again, college men must learn to be as practical in politics as they would be in business life. It is unnecessary to say that by practical I do not mean anything that savors in the least of dishonesty. On the contrary, a college man is bound to keep a *high* ideal and to be true to it; but he must work in practical ways to try to realize this idea, and must not refuse to do anything because he cannot do *everything*. One especially necessary thing is to know the facts by actual experience, and not to take refuge in mere theorizing. There are always a number of excellent and well-meaning men whom we regard with amused impatience because they waste all their energies on some visionary scheme, which even if it were not visionary would be useless. When they come to deal with political questions, these men are apt to err because they are not familiar with the workings of our government. No man ever really learned from books how to manage a governmental system. Books are admirable adjuncts, and the statesman who has carefully studied them is far more apt to do good work than if he had not; but if he has never done anything except study books he will not be a statesman at all.

When the Greek thinkers began to devote their attention to purely visionary politics, while the Greek practical politicians exploited quarrelsome little commonwealths in their own interests, then the end of Greek liberty was at hand. No government that cannot command the respectful support of its *best* thinkers is in an entirely safe condition.

Furthermore a man of sound political instincts can no more subscribe to the doctrine of absolute independence of party on the one hand than to that of unquestioning party allegiance on the other. No man can accomplish much unless he works in an organization with others and this organization, no matter how temporary, is a party for the time being. But that man is a dangerous citizen who so far mistakes means for ends as to become servile in his devotion to his party and afraid to leave it when the party goes wrong. There are times when it is the duty of a man to break with his party, and there are other times when it may be his duty to stand by his party, even though, on some points, he thinks that party wrong; he must be prepared to leave it when necessary; he must not however, sacrifice his influence by leaving it unless it is necessary.

There are certain other qualities about which it is hardly necessary to speak. If an educated man is not thoroughly patriotic in instinct and feeling and taste and sympathy, he will amount to nothing in our public life. Patriotism, love of country and pride in the flag which symbolize

country may be feelings which the race will at some period outgrow, but at present they are very real and strong, and the man who lacks them is a useless creature, a mere incumbrance to the land.

What then is the duty of a man with a college education? He is in honor bound to take an active part in our political life, and to do his full duty as a citizen by helping his fellow-citizens to the extent of his power in the exercise of self-government. He is bound to rank action far above criticism, and to understand that the man who deserves credit is the man who does things and not the one who confines himself to talking about how they ought be done. He is bound to have a high ideal and to strive to realize it, and yet he must make up his mind that he will never be able to get the highest good, and that he must devote himself with all his energy to getting the best that he can. His work must be disinterested and honest and it must be given without regard to his own success or failure, and without regard to the effect it has upon his fortunes; and while he must show the virtues of uprightness and tolerance and gentleness, he must also show the sterner virtues of courage, resolution, and of desire to war, with merciless effectiveness, against the existence of wrong.

Valedictory.

CHARLES THORLEY BRIDGEMAN.

Friends:—We, the members of the Graduating Class of 1913, have reached the conclusion of our life as undergraduates in St. Stephen's College, and before leaving these familiar scenes, which have become so dear to us, we say this last word of appreciation and farewell.

As we look back over the four years spent within these walls—years filled with sweet memories of deeds done and obstacles overcome—we realize that little by little there has grown up in us an ideal, becoming ever more and more concrete and definite, of what we believe St. Stephen's to be. It is an ideal of the College built up of all the best that has ever been done here, in our own day and in the past fifty-three years of her existence as a College. And with the growth of this ideal—unnoticed though it has been—there has been an equal increase of love and respect for all that means St. Stephen's. We now go forth, our student days here ended, filled with enthusiasm and hope for the College which has set her mark upon us, and we know that in all the joy and sorrow, work and toil, which must inevitably come to us, will we never lose these fine feelings for our College, which now inspire us. Just as the teachings and pleasant associations of our real mothers remain throughout our lives as influences for good and constant progress, so too will these four years with our foster mother linger in our memories and characters until our work is finished and we have set our mark upon the world.

To this spiritual College which finds her stones in the hearts of the Alumni and her architect in a Fairbairn or a Hopson, we turn with grateful hearts and acknowledge our indebtedness to her for all that we now are and hope to be. We trust that we may show outwardly our love and respect and thanks by the use we make of the weapons which she has given us to fight the battles of life. But whether we use them correctly or not, we can never forget that she did all that she could for us, and gave us a good start in life. To her we do not say good-bye, meaning a separation, for she will ever remain with us, deep rooted in our hearts as a cherished thought to gladden and elevate our lives. But from the external expressions of this St. Stephen's—the familiar buildings and campus, and you men, both professors and students, who have constituted the college in our four years here—we must needs separate for a time, for our days as undergraduates are finished. And with our words of parting comes naturally an expression of our appreciation of all that has been done for us.

Honored Members of the Board of Trustees; we would say to you that although we have not known many of you personally or intimately, we still feel the deepest gratitude to you for your conscientious work in supporting this College and making possible the conditions which have meant so much to us. As our love for our Alma Mater is great, so also is our gratitude to you who have maintained for us the College.

Reverend President and Members of the Faculty—our parting at the end of four years' close association comes when we have just grown to appreciate all that you have wished to do and have done for us. Now when we are beginning to realize what it was you were aiming at in all our courses, we must leave your guidance and go on to other fields; but with us we will carry those ideals which you have at length set before us, and they shall be our guides in life. To you as teachers we may say good-bye, but to you as friends, who have helped us in time of trouble and shared our joys, we say farewell only with the promise of returning to you again and renewing the old associations.

To you Undergraduates; we say as our final message—Take your work seriously and strive in every way to use well the opportunities offered you to learn, for you will never regret the time and energy that diligent application to duty requires. Although from day to day you may seem to make little progress and the result seems disproportionate to the work, do not diminish your efforts, but go on faithfully and hopefully and you will find in the end that what at one time seemed useless was really of great significance. And moreover, remember that that which you have heard so much spoken of by the Alumni—namely the value of personal contact with the members of the Faculty—is not a mere myth or catch-

phrase, but a vital fact. Though it may seem trivial to you now, we assure you that in coming to know intimately the professors in College will rest one of the pleasantest and most important parts of your College life.

Friends of St. Stephen's:—we thank you most heartily for the pleasures you have given us and your many kindnesses during our stay among you, and we hope that the bonds of friendship which now join us may remain unbroken through those years which lie ahead of us.

To you all the Class of 1913 bids "Farewell."

The President's Address at Commencement Luncheon.

On behalf of my colleagues—the Trustees, and the Faculty of St. Stephen's College, I welcome you here today. As is customary on this occasion I will try to tell you something of the condition of the College during the past year and of our prospects.

May I, however, first remind you of what we may call the St. Stephen's College Creed; our *raison d'être*? We believe that the main purpose of the education that is given here must be the formation of character and the cultivation of such intellectual and spiritual forces as will direct the life of the student towards the end for which the life was given,—the Glory of God and the Salvation of Men. We believe that the best way to produce this result on the intellectual side is the old-fashioned course in Liberal Arts, based on the classics but adapted to meet modern American conditions. We believe also that the spiritual character can only be built up successfully on a solid spiritual foundation and we believe that foundation to be the Religion of Jesus Christ the Incarnate Son of God. In other words the aim and purpose of S. S. C. is to send out Christian men into the Church as priests and into secular life as laymen to be the salt of the earth. And it is to this end that the work, the tone and temper of this College are shaped.

I want to say plainly that any student who after a reasonable testing time does not show signs of coming within a measurable distance of these ideals, and whose idea is merely to slip into an easy job in the easiest way, will find automatically I hope, that he cannot breathe the air of this College. He will seek the lower levels *sua sponte*. I wish the Church would make haste to realize that these are our ideals and that it is for the sake of Christ's Body that we set up these standards. Thank God many hopes have been realized—and many wishes which, four years ago, were apparently iridescent dreams have now come true. New in-

terest has been aroused. New friends have been sent to us who are determined to do all they can to help us to hold aloft our banner of "Religion and Learning." The physical equipment is being made more workable and a fuller use of all our resources, limited though they are, is being made possible. By the generous assistance of some of our new friends (it is unnecessary to mention names) we have recently been able to meet the sudden and expensive requirements of the State Fire Dept. The old method of sewage disposal was worn out and a modern equipment has been installed which will not only reduce the dangers to health to a minimum but will give us an additional tract of land available for useful purposes. Our water supply system has been greatly improved. And the President's new house is ready for occupation.

The report of the Faculty as to the work done by the student-body during the past year is fairly good. The average mark for the whole College is 80%.

I regret to have to report the death of one of the young men whom we graduated last year, Paul Fernsler, R. I. P.

The Class graduated this morning, is I believe, the last of our small graduating classes. Next year I have reason to believe there will be fifteen, if not more.

We have a new professor coming to us, Mr. Edmund S. Whitten, who besides being Professor of German and Instructor in English, will be Director of Athletics and Football Coach. The prospects for football next year seem to be very hopeful, and as you know, I consider that to be an important factor making for the success of our work. Here again I cannot help mentioning our crying need of a gymnasium, or at any rate a heated, covered place for winter games, to be used during the nerve-racking season when the temptation to use furniture as a substitute for gymnastic apparatus (or sometimes even water) is so very overwhelming.

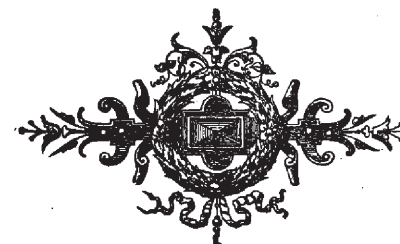
At this moment almost every vacancy for next September is filled and as there will probably be many more applications during the summer which will have to be refused, you will readily understand what a pity it is that we have not more dormitory accommodations and a larger endowment.

The result of my Christmas appeal to St. Stephen's College men was \$350. This has helped three students in their fees for this year. This matter of providing financial assistance for students who are worthy and ought to come here but who cannot be provided for by the grant from the S. P. R. L. and Endowed Scholarships is a serious one. It is unnecessary to say that it is of the utmost importance that the College should be full—in other words that we should help the Church to the best of our ability. The President therefore has taken it upon himself the responsibility of

providing for these men, this year 17 of them, and has succeeded to the extent of about \$1800. This, of course, finds itself eventually into the College Treasury, but if these scholarships were provided for, the President's efforts might be concentrated on an effort to increase the Endowment Fund.

I have very great pleasure in announcing that Mr. Irville F. Davidson, hitherto Instructor in Greek and Latin has been appointed by the Trustees to take the place of Dr. Hopson.

This brings me to the subject which is in all our minds and in the mind of every St. Stephen's College man today wherever he may be, the retirement of the Reverend George Bailey Hopson, D.D., D.C.L., after a continuous service as Professor of Latin in this Institution of half a century, more than a third of the period covering the life of the United States of America. I believe it to be a term of service which, for a length of time and steadfastness of purpose, is unequalled in the annals of the Universities and Colleges of this country. I am a mere youngster in this place and so may not presume to say very much but I must say this—that since I was installed as President of the College, four years ago, I have met with nothing but kindness and loyalty and willingness to help at the hands of Dr. Hopson. I have great pleasure in announcing that the Board of Trustees has made him Professor Emeritus of Latin and has provided him with a pension which I hope he will live long to enjoy.



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With the completion of Dr. Hopson's unusually long term of service as Professor of Latin in the College there, are many thoughts of commendation and many lessons for the young which occur to those who have known him and seen his exemplary life. Most of these—

his fidelity to duty, his ability as a scholar, his sympathy and spirituality as a priest and as a friend his true friendliness and as a man his fine, upright character—have been mentioned by those who have taken the opportunities offered them at Commencement for expressing publicly their admiration and regard for "dear old Hoppie." There is one thing, however, which all realize but few have commented upon save those men who have been privileged to sit under Dr. Hopson in the last few years. Though it may seem a small point, it has greatly impressed the men and will ever form a part of the sweet memory of the Grand Old Man, which they will take away with them from College. We refer to the beautiful example in the life of Dr. Hopson of the gratifications, the pleasures, the quiet philosophical outlook on the world and the kindly nature of an old age crowning a life of righteousness and success, which we, as Freshmen read of, under his direction, in Cicero's "De Senectute."

Some one has remarked how appropriate was the choice of "De Amicitia" for Freshman reading, since it was presented to them at a time when they were beginning to form some of the great friendships of their lives. But no less appropriate was the reading of "De Senectute," with its fine Christian philosophy—though in the mouth

of a pagan—its high moral tone and the practical wisdom of a man grown sweetly old, when there was sitting at the end of the classroom an old man who could speak of the value of the precepts from his own experience, and show by his own life how a good, conscientious career leads but to an honorable old age. Truly the memory of that classroom will remain as a lesson to the men who sat there, showing how a man in his old age can make himself a source of help, comfort and real pleasure to those who come in contact with him. To the men particularly who have known him only as a kind old man, this will be very dear,—and as a forcible admonition, a sort of last word from the old professor, will urge them to ever live according to the best that is in them; rising with the years to a climax of usefulness and happiness.

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The comparative success which the monthly publication has been this past year has encouraged the next year's Board to continue the same number of issues. We hope that the students and Alumni will help the Board to make those improvements in the magazine which the past year's work has shown to be necessary.

We of the retiring Board desire to thank all those who have aided us in any way towards making the monthly as successful as it has been. Their assistance has been able and willing. We recommend to them our successors, and ask them to give them the same ready and hearty support which they have given us. The next Board ought, with this year's experience behind them, to make of the MESSENGER a really fine college magazine. It can do it, however, only if it has the encouragement and active interest of all the students and Alumni.

Res Collegii.

The Rev. H. Baron Dickinson, M. A. Cantab, Vicar of St. Stephen's Lewisham, London, was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Rodgers over Commencement. The many friends he gained during his short stay here and the very warmth of his presence made us all regret that he could not be with us longer. His preaching as well as his delightful congeniality will make him long remembered.

The Rev. Mr. Bentley, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Brooklyn, spent the week end of May Twenty-third at the College as the guest of the Dragon Club. His helpful suggestions to the players in "The Rivals" and his entertaining lecture to the students were much appreciated.

The Annandale Rose show attracted the usual number of society people during Commencement Week.

The Misses Clarke, Zimmerman and Bradish, and Mrs. Bradish were the guests of Dr. Hopson at Commencement. The Doctor's sons, William and Frank were also back.

Saturday the students drew for room assignments next year. Ludlow and Willink Hall will accommodate several members of the Faculty as well as several students next year when Dr. Rodgers moves up Campus to his new residence.

William Barr, '17, was initiated into N. Y. Sigma Phi Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon on Friday, June Seventh

On Friday, Senior elections were held. The new officers are McAllister, President; Wilson, V. President; Gage, Secretary and Ely, Treasurer.

At the Annual Meeting of Convocation May Ninth, the elections for next year were held. Those chosen were President, Prout, '14; V.-President, Armstrong, '14; Secretary, Glaeser, '14; and Treasurer, McAllister, '14. The Student Council member from the Senior Class is McAllister from the Junior Class, Hale and from the Special Students, Whitcomb. Bessy, '14, was elected Undergraduate member of the Finance Committee. The MESSENGER Board was elected as follows: Editor-in-Chief, McAllister, '14; Associate Editors, Prout, Armstrong and Richards, '14; Edwards, '15 and Coffin, '16.

The Upperclassmen and Sophomores met Saturday and appointed the Student Council a committee to draw up Freshman Rules for next year. The report of the Council was adopted, when presented after a recess, and provides for a Committee of three, the "Lictors," to be appointed monthly by the President of the Senior Class for the enforcement of the Rules.

On Saturday evening, May Thirtieth, Dr. and Mrs. Rodgers invited the Faculty, and the Seniors and Juniors to Ludlow and Willink Hall to meet the Rev. Mr. Dickinson. A most enjoyable evening was passed.

Dr. and Mrs. Rodgers invited the Seniors to dinner on Thursday, the Fifth of June. Mrs. Upton, Mr. Dickinson and Miss Reazor were also present.

Among the many gifts received by Dr. Hopson on his Jubilee, were a traveling bag from the Faculty, a gold medal from Major Zabriski and his friends, a gold medal from the Woman's Auxiliary of Annandale, a medal from Mrs. DePeyster of Tivoli, a purse from the Alumni, and another from the Trustees of the Rose Show, a scroll of engrossed resolutions from the Trustees of the College, a large print Bible and Prayer Book from the students, and a pair of handsome vases from Mr. John Lewis and his family.

The Missionary Sermon Collection was \$28.48. At the suggestion of J. L. Whitcomb it was sent

to the Rev. H. C. Hughson, O. H. C., for his work at St. Andrew's, Sewanee, Tenn.

Spring Track Meet.

The annual interclass track meet, held Saturday, May Seventeenth, was won by the Sophomore class. The weather, although a little cool was quite ideal and was partially responsible for the success of the meet.

One thing was to be noted throughout the meet; that the same new enthusiasm which was shown during the earlier part of the collegiate year in football appeared also at this time. A number of men who never before had entered into any athletic contests made their first appearance on this day.

Class enthusiasm ran high and every event was closely contested by the sinewy representatives of the respective classes. The sharpness of the struggle is shown by the fact that only in one event did any single class make a class sweep of the places. Nicholls was easily the star of the meet; his total of twenty-seven points placing his class in the coveted first place.

The total points for each class were as follows: Sophomores, thirty-seven; Freshmen and Juniors tied for second place, twenty points each; specials, thirteen.

The summary of the respective events is as follows:

Fifty yard dash—Nicholls, '15, first; Hale, '15, second; Morse, '16, third.

Discus throw—Bennett, '14, first; Prime, Sp., second; Nicholls, '15, third.

Shot put—Richards, '14, first; Bennett, '14, second; Nicholls, '15, third.

Pole vault—Nicholls, '15, first; Richards, '14, second; Whitcomb, '16, third.

Standing broad jump—Dumbell, Sp., first; Morse, '16, second; Richards, '14, third.

One hundred yard dash—Nicholls, '15, first; Johns, '15, second; Hale, '15, third.

Hammer throw—Nicholls, '15, first; Taber, '16, second; Bennett, '14, third.

Running broad jump—Dumbell, Sp., first; Staller, '16, second; Brown, '16, third.

Running high jump—Nicholls, '15, first; Whitcomb, '16, second; Richards, '14, third.

Long distance run—Brown, '16, first; Johns, '15, second; McAllister, '14, third.

Alumni and Former Students' Notes.

In Memoriam

'61—The Rev. Joseph Carey, D. D., Archdeacon of Troy since 1877, died at Saratoga Springs on June the Sixth. He was the only living member of the first graduating class in the College, and consequently the oldest alumnus. His death after a long and active career will be a great loss to his many friends among the Alumni and to the community at large.

After he graduated from College, with the two others who formed the first graduating class, he entered the General Seminary and graduated in '64. Made a deacon in the same year, he was priested by Bishop Potter in '65. He was rector successively of Grace Church, Watertford, '64-'68, Christ Church, Ballston Spa, '68-'73, and until his death of Bethesda, Saratoga Springs. In '77 he was made Archdeacon of Troy, '78 he received his M. A. from the College and later his D. D. In '82 he was made a Trustee of the General Seminary. He was also

a member of the Marginal Reading Joint Congress. As an author he published an essay on "Hebrew Names of God," "By the Golden Gate," and a number of sermons and addresses.

Dr. Carey was ever a loyal son of his Alma Mater. Even of late years he has shown his interest by returning whenever he could to Commencement. The news of his death, coming just before Commencement, cast a shadow over the otherwise unmarred festivities of the week.

'77—The Alumni who were not back for Commencement will be sorry to hear of the serious illness of Frank R. Bagley, Oak Park, Chicago, Ill. He has just returned in a serious condition from a trip abroad.

Among the recent ordinations to the diaconate are Ford, Jepson, McKee, Maynard, Rathburn and Springsted of '10, and A. J. Drew, P. H. Williams and E. C. Jones.

Exchanges.

The following exchanges for May are acknowledged with thanks: *The Williams Literary Monthly*, *The Mills College Magazine*, *The Hamilton Literary Magazine*, *The Campus*, *The Hobart Herald*, *The Normal College Echo*.

This is the time of the year when old editorial boards are going out and new ones assuming the responsibilities. To the former we extend hearty congratulations on the completion of their long year's work. If that work has been earnest and

conscientious, even though the results do not seem great, they have laid a good foundation for future successes, for earnestness in others is a great inspiration. To the new editorial boards we say this—Have a lofty and definite ideal for your paper and learn to be very critical of yourselves. A well defined aim is the best guide for every member of the Board, and self-criticism forestalls criticism on the part of others. Another helpful point is to make the aim of your paper if unusual known abroad, and so save ignorant, but none the less annoying, remarks by those who judge you according to their own standards.

The Campus is better in its "sporting sections" than in its lo-

cal news items; and the latter is better than its literary columns. On the whole, however, it seems very successful as a College newspaper.

The Williams Literary and the *Hamilton Literary* show their general aim in their titles. As such they are both good. The Williams paper has a look of maturity in its binding and style, which is not always accompanied by a like maturity of thought in the articles.

Someone has said of the *Mills College Magazine* that it "radiates with womanly tenderness and energized culture, buoyed up by a strong poetic tendency." Did the editors of the magazine realize before that they could inspire such flights?



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