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Address:

"EDITOR-IN-CHIEF,"

THE S. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE MESSENGER.
we are told by the class of '98, will promptly give place to the more demo
strative spirit which surely has its place. A kindly suggestive article in t
first issue of the MESSANGER by one of the Faculty might have encouraged
to expect a successful Field Day; but although we learn with admiration th
the writer of that article set a good example in the matter of athletics, usi
his own influence to popularize manly exercise, yet in this, too, were we d
appointed.

The sum of fifteen hundred dollars has been secured; but a gymnasui
worthy of these grounds will cost several thousand dollars. It is true th
S. Stephen's men are the very ones needing such a building, and are as
body unable to increase rapidly the present fund. "Take a walk and avoi
dheadache" is good advice, but with mud and snow for months there is certain
need of a well equipped gymnasium.

The program of Commencement week fittingly began on Sunday, June 9
with the Baccalaureate Sermon by the honored Warden, who uttered no
fusome eulogy but a characteristic, manly address. Long live Doctor Fi
bain.

Wednesday, as in former years, was the favorite day for renewing friendsh
beneath the same old oaks and hemlocks where once we loved to read, a
where some Alumnus even now defends our side against undergraduates ir
tennis tournament.

Every S. Stephen's man is a willing worker in preparing for their early fé
and occasionally, as the work of decoration and chair "hustling" progress 
some Junior Preparatory man is thus encouraged by a Reverend Alumn
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body of priests, students, and the entire congregation, it was the more in
estingly since it was intoned, the musical voice of the first named reader uninten
tionally giving the right key which was quickly taken by all in the Pater
Noster. It is hoped that in the future, with such a body of good singers, this
service may always be choral. The lessons were assigned to the Rev. Charles
Pelletreau, L. H. D., and the Rev. George S. Bennitt, B.D. The sermon was
delivered by the Rev. Frank L. Humphreys, D.D., from the text St. John iv:
ii, and was a clear and helpful setting forth of the source and the need of
spiritual preparation and fitness for their work, on the part of those who are
looking forward to the sacred ministry.

During the service one adult candidate presented by the Warden was con-
formed by Bishop Coleman acting for the Bishop of the Diocese. The solem-
nity of the Rite was increased by the thunderous AMEN at the prayer for
the gifts of the Holy Ghost in the laying on of hands.

The service, all too brief, left us, as the final chords of the organ died away,
to observe the chaste floral decoration of this chapel of chapels, and the new
dossal; and then scanning the vacant stalls, to see in our minds one and ano
ther of our dear friends with whom we were wont to kneel in old times. Flowers, a
sweet offering to one whose memory is so dear, modestly called attention to
the stall of the late Professor James Stryker, L.L.D. The avenue back to
the College, festooned by day with nature's arches of green, was now resplen
dent with rows of Japanese lanterns and colored fires, while the concert by the
Poughkeepsie Military Band and the presence of many lady friends added
not a little to the charm of a promenade as planned by the class of '95. With
so much to please the eye and ear and a "benign Jupiter," an ideal fairy
scene was fairly realized.

Again, as of old, Ludlow and Willink Hall was bright with lights, and
brighter with genial welcome, as Alumni and friends of the College, with the
members of the graduating class, gathered at the Warden's reception; where
they met the members of the Board of Trustees, and Faculty. Here also
were honored guests of the College, where all join with renewed heartiness
as years go by, in that fervent wish of the old College song, "Vivat Academia
et qui illam regit."

Soon after eleven o'clock a three-fold separation took place, as the Alumni
parted to enjoy the hospitality of the active members of S. Stephen's fraternity
and secret societies. Until day dawned Eulexian, Kappa Gamma Chi and
Sigma Alpha Epsilon were at their respective feasts. Every member being
confident that his own was the best, and renewing his youth, enjoyed rational
comfort and pleasure.

There is no scene more dreamy than the Campus at dawn, as scattered on
benches and chairs, are old and young "fellows" rehearsing anecdotes and
listening (a luxury more prized than sleep, which, this night, is but little
courted). Responsibility, with its countless cares is for the time cast aside,
and we live in the past, that happy past, more happy as succeeding years roll on.

The Chapel bell at 7:30 called a large number to the Alumni Reunion service, where the Bishop of Delaware was celebrant and Dr. Silliman served. This is doubtless the most impressive service of the year when the Churchly Chapel doubly hallowed seems, as the memories of those at rest arise in mind so truly the Gate of Heaven.

Breakfast on Commencement morning, the last regular meal in "commons" for the year, is an "event." The appreciative welcome of the students mani festing itself from the moment we reach the stone posts is wide-a-wake at this meal, where the exuberant spirit of young men, released from cramming, and on the eve of a long holiday, is fairly bubbling over. It is magnetizing to then touch elbows with our young friends, while the supply of rolls and coffee they would have us consume is amazing.

**PART II.**

There was, as is usual, a meeting of the Alumni Association at 10 o'clock and also a meeting of the Board of Trustees.

At 12 M. the procession formed at the college, under the direction of the marshal, James Lewis Lasher, '96, and preceded by the Poughkeepsie Military Band, marched to the chapel.

A new feature of the religious service was the reading, by the warden, of the Bidding Prayer, which recalled to mind the founders and benefactors of the college. The Litany was then intoned by Canon Fulcher, of Albany, after which the procession was conducted to the Campus, where the literary exercises were held, according to the Annandale custom, under the trees, in the open air. The programme was as follows: Ideals, Thomas Worrell, Poughkeepsie; American Literature, Thomas E. Swan, New York; Partisanship John H. Dyer, High Falls; The Golden Age of German Literature, with Valedictory address, Rudolph E. Brestell.

Mr. Brestell, the Valedictorian, proved to be the honor man, not only of his class, but of the college, carrying off all the prizes that were awarded. He first obtained the honor of Primus, which requires the recipient to be not only the first man in his class, but also to attain a standard of at least 95 during the four years of his college course. Mr. Brestell reached the high standard of 97.65. He also obtained the McVicar prize in elocution, and the prizes in Hellenistic Greek, Psychology, Moral Philosophy, and English Literature. He was highly complimented by the Bishop of Delaware, who was present on the stage. Three other students would have received prizes had they complied with the condition which requires them not only to receive a mark of 95 on the study in question, but also to reach a standard of at least 80 on each of their other studies.


After the exercises of commencement, the bishops, trustees, presidents of colleges, faculty, alumni, undergraduates, and invited guests proceeded to the new Hoffman Library Building. Dr. Hoffman, in fitting language, presented this noble and costly structure to the college, and Bishop Potter, in behalf of the trustees, accepted the gift. Dr. Silliman, the retiring president of the alumni, then introduced the Rev. Pierre McD. Bleecker, who, as the representative of the alumni, in a few well-chosen words, presented to the college a bronze bust of the Rev. Dr. Fairbairn, the much loved warden of the college. The bronze is the work of Mr. George E. Bissell, of Poughkeepsie, whose work is well known in the John Watts monument in Trinity church yard, and the DePeyster Statue to be erected in Bowling Green, New York, and that of Chancellor Kent for the new Congressional Library at Washington.

This concluded the exercises of the day. The members of the college then escorted their guests to the dining room, where a substantial repast had been prepared. Speeches were made after dinner by Bishop Potter, Bishop Coleman, Dr. Hoffman, Dr. Porter, Judge Simms and the Warden, and the time was thus pleasantly occupied until it became necessary to take the carriages in order to meet the departing trains.

*Addendum.*—We publish this month, at the request of the Alumni Association, an account of the Commencement exercises which took place last June; and desire to thank the Association for their kindness in giving us the report; (which they have generally published in pamphlet form) because it helps us to lessen the debt which we hope soon to liquidate. A copy of this number will be sent to every Alumnus, and we make a special plea that all of them will *now* take the opportunity of subscribing. It is a lamentable fact that the Alumni are poorly represented on our list of subscribers; and it naturally seems reasonable that if they will not help us, neither will strangers who have nothing in common with us. We do not suppose that one will take up our paper with the same spirit one would a magazine, but we do think that twenty minutes spent in looking over the paper will awaken a spirit of zeal in those who call St. Stephen's their Alma Mater, or who call themselves her friends.

"Board."
The Rev. John Ireland Tucker, D. D.

Stephen's has met with a great loss in the death of Dr. Tucker. He was one of the original trustees who were named in the charter which the Legislature granted in 1850. His interest in the Institution never flagged. He has proved it by the valuable gift which he has made to the College. The second item of his will is the bequeathing of his valuable library to this Institution. It was not the last item, as if now he was at a loss to know what to do with his books, but the second one, as if the College were uppermost in his mind.

The Rev. John Ireland Tucker, D. D.

The Warden of this College became acquainted with him when he was about his twelfth birthday. He came to Troy at Christmas, 1846, to be the Pastor of Holy Cross, Troy. And although temptations were offered to remove him from this first position, he did not waver in his choice. He remained with Holy Cross, and celebrated last Christmas the fiftieth anniversary of his pastorate. The first four years of his ministry we lived together under the same roof. We were daily companions, and were brought into the most intimate communion and friendship. That friendship never waned. It was only at Commencement that I received one of his most genial letters, which showed that our friendship was as fresh as it was fifty years ago.

The hold that he had on the affections of the people of Troy was shown at his funeral. As we came down the aisle of the Holy Cross with the coffin there did not seem to be a dry eye. The children of the school, all dressed in white, with white caps, composed the choir. They sang the recessional and at the last verse, as they reached the door, the ability to sing alm

of a superior person. No vulgar expression or story ever escaped from his lips. No slovenliness was ever seen in him. This neatness was natural to him. It was not assumed or put on, but it became part of him. That was one of the elements of character which made Dr. Tucker. He exemplified in a grand sense what William of Wyckham said, "Manners maketh man."

There might be written a discourse on the manners of Dr. Tucker which would be a great lesson to young men. Such cultivation would be in any one a real element of success.

R. B. Fairbairn.

At Eventide.

My faithful steed was taking me down the long hill sloping eastward, as the last rays of the June sun were bidding good-night to the twin cities in one of New England's busiest valleys. As I looked, the line separating day from night advanced up the hill towering on the farther side, passing beyond the streets and their already ebbing traffic, over employer's palace and workman's cottage, till it overtook the plowman following homeward his kine, and many a farm-house adding charm to the back-ground of our picture as it stood nestled amid gardens and orchards of green.

Now all is shadow for the edge of evening, as a veil, has reached yonder summit; while the hum from the city street is ceased, and few traverse its lanes, save for pleasure.

In some parts of the deep valley a decided gloom prevails. As I looked up and down the scene soon to receive a dreamy appearance with its hundreds of lights, a gentle gleam attracted my eye, and the mental effect of what I then saw will long remain; for standing on a slight elevation in the city's center is St. Mary's, whose spire is surmounted at a height of almost two hundred feet by the emblem of Christianity.

While all the rest of the vision was in shadow, this alone caught the last gleam of the sun; and as a beacon of the Master's abiding presence, even as the bow in the days of Noah was seen in the clouds, so the cross seemed an answer to that beautiful hymn:

"Abide with me, fast falls the eventide."

L., '97.
"Don'ts."

_Don't come to S. Stephen's with a heart incapable of college spirit. Take an interest in everything. Support all that you are able._

_Don't be late in arriving._

_Don't be afraid of bringing too much of your home with you in the way of books, pictures, rugs, etc. A cheerful room tends to make a cheerful man._

_Don't think that you are the only homesick one. A little search will discover another pining spirit. Comfort him; for in so doing you will forget self._

_Don't run into debt. You will live to regret it._

_Don't be "fresh." The old men may salt you in a merciless way._

_Don't be afraid of asking for information. An old student will be glad of the opportunity to know you better by answering your question._

_Don't be hoodwinked by the societies' rushers. Be a man. Do your own thinking about joining any body. Let no man persuade you that his is the best, unless you feel sure that his is the body you desire to join._

_Don't be a "non-soc"; it does not pay. Join some body, if only for the literary practice it will give you._

_Don't allow an old student to speak to you of any other student to that person's disadvantage. You will be showing splendid college spirit by refusing to hear such; and, in the end, will gain for yourself great respect._

_Don't make any plans for leaving College until Xmas time. You will be happier by not doing so._

_Don't get discouraged. Latin and Greek were just as hard to us when we were beginners as they are now to you. It only needs work._

_Don't allow a man to take you off to parties and concerts in the near vicinity. Such a man is not your friend, or he would not cause you to waste your evenings which should be spent in study. This applies also, as well, to the nightly visitor, who takes up your time with his endless talk._

_Don't be afraid to say NO! Every man should know when to say it._

_Don't neglect the "MESSENGER." Send a copy of it home with your first letter; and ask your friends to subscribe._

_Don't be backward in writing something for the "MESSENGER." Remember that it is your paper as well as our's. Let your parents, rector, and friends see how one of your productions looks in print._

_Don't argue about religion or religious subjects. It is better to live the life than to talk about it._

_Don't forget to forgive us for moralizing. We have done it this time for your good. We shall never do it again._

MY DEAR CHARLES:

I am at home again and trying not to let my friends see that my thoughts and hearts' interests are often away at dear old Annandale. I walk the streets of this my native city, feeling like a stranger and a pilgrim, longing for the familiar lanes about S. Stephen's where I could look around with a certain sense of ownership; for I doubt if any student ever remained a few weeks at college without feeling that he was a part of the great whole and owned a share of it. I feel confident that such familiar spots as the Bartlett knoll and the "Falls" are regarded by more than one habitual visitor as almost personal property. This is true of the former, I am sure, if they have there, while lying under the soughing pine trees, and gazing on the placid Hudson and friendly Catskills, taken leave of those evil angels called the "blues."

I will try and spare you the unpleasant task of wading through pages of vain regrets for the years at S. Stephen's which for me are now gone forever. If I do leave them out of this letter, think not that they do not exist. Their name is legion, and, at times they threaten to overwhelm me. Although not a college man yourself, I feel sure that you will pardon me for soliloquizing. I cannot look back upon the six happy years (I entered as a "Junior Prep." you know) without harbouring for a brief moment the many memories that clamber for an entrance.

I do not hesitate to call these years the happiest. I left my boyhood at S. Stephen's. Perhaps even now a laughing spirit, its phantom, is hovering in those academic groves; who, as I go back in after years, will rest upon me with a temporary transforming influence. I began to realize at the end of my second year that I was growing old. I began then to appreciate the lessons resulting from the study of the men about me. The disappointments at that time in the shatterings of ideals were as bitter as any I have yet suffered. If you, my friend, have ever had the idea that S. Stephen's men were far above the average college men let me dispossess you of any such notion. We (I still say "We" although I am no longer among the happy crowd entitled to that privilege) are a set of men differing as widely among ourselves as any ordinary crowd of eight that you might select. We came from varied states of life, we each brought an individual atmosphere with us. I think I myself spoke of S. Stephen's as a "cloister" before I ever saw it. The name ap-
plies neither to its location or its composition. Free from all gloom, open to
the freshest of breezes and the brightest of sunshine it harbors a set of me
happy and free; men whose piety one must often take for granted and wait
patiently until at some unexpected place it appears.

If before coming to S. Stephen’s the men have been forced by their sur
roundings and responsibilities to be somewhat matured, they are now trans
ported back to boyhood by the absence of all conventional environment.

Older minds fail to appreciate what a severe test it is for a boy, who havin
left the guiding influence of home and the ever ready counsel of an intereste
rector, feels himself his own master, his own adviser. What wonder if he
makes mistakes at first? He will have temptations at S. Stephen’s;—Annar
dale, although I have often called it a paradise, is terrestrial;—and the ord
nary, the well known temptations of young college men exist at S. Stephen
as they do elsewhere. However, men are not to be learned in their faults an
fallings only at S. Stephen’s. I count among the sweetest and most bitters
experiences of my still little life the close contact with other men, whose virtu
I have been proud to discover, whose faults I have learned to commiserate,
those precious moments of heart-to-heart talks before the cheery hearth fires,
and in the summer moonlight. Those times when men let down the bars of the
hearts and allowed their fancies, their affections, their real selves to come out
and graze in the pastures of mutual trust. Ah, at such times youth is so
sweet, life is so promising!

S. Stephen’s is rightly termed a small College; I rejoice that she is suc
Wre it otherwise, such close family relations would be impossible. I ventur
to say that in a large College a man’s intimate acquaintance, or even such a
acquaintance as I feel that I have had with the eighty men at S.

In the coming years of varied life we may in forgetfulness almost cease t
love the different college rooms in which we lived (I do not dare to speak of
loving the recitation rooms), although I am sure I shall always have a fondne
for the Mathematical room with its memories of Dr. Stryker, (Requiescat in pace). We may forget the peaceful influence of that God’s Acre with its great stone cross, the base of which has been the scene of many a good chan
we may forget the “Warden’s Path” and its dear twilight memories; ye
even the Bartlett knoll; but I doubt if we shall ever cease to feel at home and
at peace in the memories of the Chapel. The influence of the daily service
on the lives of S. Stephen’s men has been stupendous. Daily attendance
may sometimes get perfunctory, and I have often doubted the benefit of com
pulsory attendance, but, now I look back with a great sigh for those qui
half-hours, when, if ever, I was near God.

I would not be honest if I neglected what to me were the chief of ti
pleasures of college life. I mean the “busts.” They were never pretentious
unless just after the reception of a box from home at Thanksgiving or birth
day time. Often they consisted of cocoa (made with hot water) and colleg
cake. But I am sure that no banquet with its following exhibition of w
wisdom and eloquence will ever make me as happy as our little “busts,” eate
from a collection of dishes almost as varied as those of childish mud-pie days;
and followed by the social smoke and interchange of opinions in our youthi
struggles for truth.

I have not mentioned the bookish side of college life. Remember that
am writing in vacation time. Moreover I could add little to the eviden
cresults which our list of alumni and their works give. I have told you bu
little of S. Stephen’s and realize that I have been a poor champion. I hav
spoken from my point of view; no doubt there are as many others as ther
are students and alumni, all harmonizing, I feel sure, in their love for the dea
place which has been or will be to them a happy home.

With your younger brother in mind, whose expectations of a college edu
cation you have told me, I have made this a S. Stephen’s letter. If he
inclined to be wild and incorrigible, I beseech you to spare S. Stephen’s th
task of reforming him. She makes no such pretensions. If, however, he he
an average degree of manliness, desires more, and will be faithful to himse

Claude Frollo, the Archdeacon of Notre Dame.

A FEW weeks ago we had the pleasure and the privilege of reading Victo
Hugo’s Notre Dame. It is not to be compared to that wonderful an
inspiring work of his: Les Miserables; but it is none the less a story worth;
particularly notice, and one that pictures in a lucid and vivid manner the
weakness of human nature (no matter how strong and magnificent it may b
at times), and of human motive.

We ourselves were especially impressed with the character of Claud
Frollo, priest of Notre Dame, though we do not consider him a mode
worthy of our imitation, nor deem him sufficiently great to warrant ou
sincere admiration and esteem. The description which we hope to give of th
archdeacon will not be wholly original, but it will, at least, be a product of ou
own impoverished mind, interwoven with different borrowings from the author
Claude Frollo was, of a truth, no ordinary man. He was no common
person. His parents had destined him from his infancy for th
ecclesiastical state. He had been taught to read in Latin, and had been bre
to walk with downcast eyes; and to speak in low, soft tones. While yet

child his father had cloistered him in the college of Torchi, and there it was that he had grown up over the misal and the lexicon. He was, moreover, a melancholy, grave and serious boy, who studied ardent and learned rapidly. At the age of sixteen he was a match in theology for the learned doctors of the church. Having finished theology he had then rushed into the study of the decretals. He then made himself familiar with that vast and tumultuous period of the civil and the canon law, in collision and at strife with each other in the chaos of the Middle Ages; a period which opens with Bishop Theodore in 618, A. D., and closed in 1227, A. D., with Pope Gregory. Having digested the decretals, he plunged into medicine and the liberal arts. He studied the science of herbs, and the science of ointments. He became expert in the treatment of fevers and in the healing of wounds. In like manner he ran through every degree—bachelor, master and doctor—in the faculty of arts. He studied the languages, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, a triple sanctuary then but little frequented. He was possessed by an absolute fever of acquiring and storing up science.

It was just about this period that the excessive heat of the summer of 1466 gave birth to the great plague which carried off more than 40,000 souls within the viscounty of Paris, and amongst others the parents of Claude Frollo. A little brother, quite an infant, was found crying and abandoned in its cradle. Claude Frollo hastened in great alarm to his paternal roof, and taking the little child under his arm, went away sad and pensive. Hitherto he had lived only in science, he was now beginning to live in the world. This catastrophe was a crisis in Claude's existence. An older brother, an orphan, and the head of a family at nineteen, he felt himself rudely aroused from the reveries of the school to the realities of this life. Then, moved with pity, he was seized with passion and devotion for this infant brother; and strange and sweet was this human affection to him who had not yet had time to feel that he had a heart. This little brother, without father or mother, this infant which suddenly dropped from Heaven into his charge, made a new man of him. He discovered that there was something else in the world besides the speculations of the Sorbonne and the verses of Homer; he learned that man has need of affection, that life without tenderness and without love is but a piece of rusty machinery, noisy and wearisome.

Only he fancied that the affections of blood and kindred were the sole ones necessary; and that a little brother to love was sufficient to fill up his whole existence. Now the child having lost his mother before he was weaned, Claude put him out to nurse. The miller's wife was suckling a fine boy and was not far from the university, so Claude carried his little brother in his arms to her. Then feeling that he had a burden to bear, he began to look on life as a serious matter. He resolved to devote himself entirely to the future of the being for whom he thought himself answerable before God, and never to have any other spouse, any other offspring than the happiness and the fortune of his brother. He attached himself therefore more devotedly than ever to his clerical vocation; his merit, his learning, his quality as an immediate vassal of the Bishop of Paris, opening wide to him the gates of the Church. At twenty years of age, by special dispensation from the Holy See, he was ordained priest, and performed the service at the altar as the youngest of the chaplains of Notre Dame.

In 1482, Claude Frollo was about thirty-six years old. He was no longer the simple scholar of the Torchi College, the tender protector of a little boy, the young dreaming philosopher who knew many things and was ignorant of many; but he was a priest, austere, grave, morose, having the cure of souls, Monsieur the Archdeacon of Notre Dame, the second acolyte of the bishop, having charge of the two deaneries of Montlhery and Châteaufort and of a hundred and seventy-four country cures. The fame of Dom. Claude extended far and wide. His brother, now a young man, was a sad disappointment to him. Instead of developing into a strong, christian character, he had drifted into the channel of licentiousness, and was nothing more than a worthless, dissipated youth. No wonder that Dom. Claude's affections were shattered, no wonder that at last he found himself enchanted by the being of another.

Every day an hour before sunset, the archdeacon ascended the staircase of the tower and shut himself up in his canon's cell in the cloister of Notre Dame. On a certain day, just as he reached the low door of his little nook, and was putting into the lock the small key, the sound of a tambourine and castanets reached his ears. Claude Frollo hastily withdrew the key, and in an instant was on the summit of the tower in a gloomy and thoughtful attitude. There he was, grave, motionless, absorbed in one look, one thought. All Paris lay at his feet, with her thousand spires and her circular horizon of softly-swelling hills, with her river winding under her bridges, and her people rushing to and fro through her streets, with the clouds of her smoke, with her hilly chain of roofs pressing round Notre Dame with redoubled folds. Yet in all that city the archdeacon saw but one spot on its pavement; in all that crowd but one figure, that of a gypsy girl—young, beautiful, and almost divine. It would have been difficult to say what was the nature of that look, or whence arose the flame that issued from it. It was a fixed gaze, like the gaze of one enraptured by the splendor of the Catskills, and yet full of trouble and tumult. From the profound stillness of his whole body only just agitated at intervals by an involuntary shiver, like a tree shaken by the
wind, his stiffened elbows seemingly more marble than the balustrade on which he leaned, and the petrified smile which contracted his countenance, one might have said that no part of Claude Frollo was alive but his eyes.

Sometime later Dom. Frollo entered a dungeon where this young gypsy girl was confined, and where she had been placed on the charge of having wounded, with a long sharp pointed knife, in concert with the powers of darkness, by the aid of charms and spells, a captain of the King’s archers. She was innocent of the crime for which she was suffering. Yet she was there, lost in darkness, buried, walled up, Claude Frollo himself was the guilty one. He it was, who in a fit of jealousy, had stabbed the archer, the man whom the gypsy loved. She knew what the priest had done and she hated him with a cruel hatred. There he was alone before her, his very form seeming like the form of a demon. What was he doing there? Ah! he had come for the purpose of revealing the emotions of his heart, and of making known to her the things which he had scarcely dared tell to himself. He was happy once. Before he met her he was pure, his soul being filled with limpid light. Priests consulted him upon chastity, doctors upon doctrine. More than once, though, his blood had been roused by the passing of a female form. Fasting, prayer and study, however, the macerations of the cloister had again restored the soul’s empire over the body. But one day, oh! that unfortunate day, he fell. The sound of the music and the spectacle which he saw from the tower was too much for his human eyes. There, in the middle of the pavement, was a creature dancing; a creature so beautiful might have said that no part of Claude Frollo was alive but his eyes. He leaned, and the petrified smile which contracted his countenance, one might have said that no part of Claude Frollo was alive but his eyes.

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The Outlook from the Editor's Sanctum.

The Outlook will be necessarily short this month as the magazine is unusually full owing to the insertion of the Commencement news.

We would like to call the attention of contributors to our new "prospectus" on the back of the title page, and say a word here in explanation of one of the changes made. We have been wavering some time about pseudonyms, but have finally decided that to raise the standard of the paper, it is necessary that every writer be known, as no one would care to sign his name, or an initial of his name, to an article that was not the result of his best effort. We hope, too, that the prize offered will call forth the best work from every one.

There seems to be a feeling abroad that it is useless to write for the magazine, as one's article will never be published; such is not the case. The last Board never received as many articles as it would have liked to have had to select from, and the present Board, knowing this, therefore remains all that it is not only a privilege but also a duty to write for our magazine, as we are all, as undergraduates, responsible for the success or failure of the paper. Let us all join hands and work for the common cause.

It has been rumored that we have a revolutionist at S. Stephens, who thinks that he can alter the state of affairs that has existed, to a greater or less degree, ever since our College has existed. The latest utterance of this well meaning gentleman we quote:

"They call me a revolutionist, but so was George Washington. I am willing to be thought such if it is for a good cause, and this is it. In S. Stephen's College the number of scholarships is limited, and because the demand is so much larger than the supply, many men are refused admission annually. In this little town there is no chance for men to work their way through College as at Harvard, with the exception of the stationery man and the tobacco dealer. Why is this? Three men are required to serve the meals; this work would give them the means of procuring an education. The care of the furnace, the care of the chapel and recitation rooms, the carrying of mail
and a great many other little jobs, could furnish work enough for four more. Yet men are refused admission year after year. The fact is deplorable."

We wonder if the young writer ever has tried to do all of the college work he should have done in any one day; and, if so, whether he ever succeeded or not. We never have. We have found, as well as many others, that the division of the day into eight hours for sleep, eight hours for work, and eight hours for play, are entirely impracticable at Annandale; and here comes along some utopian, who, feeling that he has more time than he knows how to dispose of, recommending in a cold, heartless fashion, that a poor young man endanger his prospects by ruining his health and consequently his brain by trying to perform the circus act of riding two horses at once—manual work and study. My dear boy, as we have three hours of recitations every day, which require, as a rule, two hours each to study to prepare for them, we find at once that nine hours are, or should be, employed in study and recitation. Then we have one hour a day which is devoted to divine service. Every man doing mental labor needing at least eight hours of sleep, we find that we have but six hours for meals, exercise, care of rooms, attending to one's little duties, and, last but not least, for reading. Now, how a young man can do the necessary collegiate work at Annandale and do regular manual labor besides, is beyond our comprehension. We are not ignorant of the fact that the late President Garfield did it, and that many others are doing it to-day at Harvard, but from what information we have obtained from educators of experience, we claim that it is impossible to do so and give the proper attention to college work at the same time. Men so engaged lose, too, half what we experience, we claim that it is impossible to do so and give the proper attention

We admire the ambition of the young man who is willing to work under the most disadvantageous circumstances to acquire an education, but we refrain from commending his prudence, for what is an education if we have lost our vitality in getting it. Many are the men in the world to-day who are rapidly fitting themselves for the grave by such overwork. It is possible to burn both ends of a candle at the same time, but, if we want the candle to last, the practice is not wise. Then again, what is practical at Harvard is not necessarily practical here. There is no analogy. Harvard is a town in itself, we a very small community. Naturally, like all small communities, we are liable to be, and too often are, very narrow minded, and the author says truly in another part of the same article, that we should be more sympathetic, but one naturally in assuming the position of a servant must expect to be treated as such. If one has tender feelings, we advise that person not to become a waiter, especially where he has to play a double role. We know that the young men who have waited in Cambridge, have been treated, to be sure, with respect, but still as menials. The world is the same all over, and though this is a free country, that idea of freedom does not convey social equality, nor was it ever intended by the framers of the Constitution that it should. We may respect our butchers and porters, but we never, anywhere in the world, make such companions. There are social stations in the work and no man who makes himself a menial must expect his employer, no matter what a Christian he is, to make him a companion; and a man is foolish to expect it.

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written for them, in short, to become more informed as to the ways, methods, and means of those who are engaged in the same work as ourselves. We know that by so doing we will all become more liberal, and learn that our's is not the only way.

We were agreeably surprised to-day by the arrival of a new guest, The Wind Mill. The number before us, it appears, is the Annual Number, and is the finest specimen of school Annuals we have yet seen. It is carefully and tastefully illustrated and is ended by a charming letter supposed to have been written by a young woman. Its chief and distinctive feature, however, is the military news, which fills the greater part of the number. We will be pleased to exchange regularly, and hope that we will be enabled to know more of the life at Manlius, especially that at St. John's. Our interest, too, in St. John's, is increased, because she is a Church school, and it is the desire of the Board to, at least, come into closer union with all of our Church institutions of learning.

Among the magazines sent to the Editor in the vacation were two daintily gotten up volumes, The Sibyl, published by the Elmira College for Women, and the Wellesley Magazine. Both show the taste and neatness of woman's handiwork, especially the Sibyl. One thing especially noticeable in regard to their contents was the intense love shown towards their Alma Mater. Both were filled with the doings of Commencement. The commencement oration on "Manners," by the Rev. Dr. Pattison at Elmira was remarkably able. The Trinity Tablet, bright, well written, up to date, poetry very good. Interesting article on Vagabondage by J. J. McCook.

Also a number of the Tablet exclusively devoted to the doings of Commencement.

The American Catholic, edited and published by an energetic, hard-working priest in East St. Louis, Ill. We remark a note "that this paper takes no vacation."

The Editor's Corner.

A FEELING exists to-day, which we have no doubt has existed for centuries, that "the rich man is getting richer, the poor man, poorer."

If this feeling was expressed only by the so-called poor man, nothing might be thought of it and the matter could be overlooked. Led by the nose as the workman is to-day, and has been, by the demagogues, and lashed as he is by the walking delegate, who instructs him what he is to believe, what not to believe, it is not surprising that he should give vent to such feelings and utter such sentiments. Nothing else could be expected from him but the emphasized echo of his leader's thoughts. When a historian, however, though a woman, calmly and thoughtfully, makes such a statement to the world, it seems fitting to investigate the matter and to discover whether the charge is to be treated as such. If one has tender feelings, we advise that person no to become a waiter, especially where he has to play a double role. We know that the young men who have waited in Cambridge, have been treated, to be sure, with respect, but still as menials. The world is the same all over, and though this is a free country, that idea of freedom does not convey social equality, nor was it ever intended by the framers of the Constitution that we should. We may respect our butchers and porters, but we never, anywhere in the world, make such companions. There are social stations in the work and no man who makes himself a menial must expect his employer, no matter what a Christian he is, to make him a companion; and a man is foolish to expect it.

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that with one continuous gigantic struggle they not only freed themselves, but ran into all sorts of extremes and follies, as was naturally to be expected from such an animated, excitable, and down-trodden race.

In Russia, the serfs, could they speak without restraint, could tell fearful tales of hardships and woes; though it must be confessed that their freed condition is not much better, exposing them with their childlike natures, to the avarice and cunning of the Jew, who, deluding and hoodwinking the poor creatures, soon proves to them that of all slavery, that of being in debt to a Jew is the worst.

Such were the conditions, as history and facts teach us, of the world a century or more ago. Anyone doubting this merely has to pick up any narrative or history of the times, or convince himself by viewing the pictures of famous artists, who have depicted some terrible scenes of the times, which often tells us louder than words, the true wretched condition of these people of the past.

Let us now shift our scenes and gaze upon a more modern picture.

Imagine one who died a century ago waking up to find a towering twenty story commercial building upon the sight where once he lived in a two story frame house.

Imagine his wonder at seeing so many changes. To be sure, he felt even in his own day that changes would come, but never had his imagination pictured such as meet his gaze. Steam, he remembers well, was only dreamed of; now he sees that no longer is manual labor so arduous, but that with elevators and machines of various kinds, men's work is more mental and their strength less needed.

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limit, select the lace curtains they should like to have, and to cap all, often give them a month's rent as an extra inducement. This state of affairs, they argued, proved that the poor man was not richer, as oftentimes the finery exhibited was not his own, but that merely loaned to him to keep himself as a tenant, and make him more contented with his condition. Instalment houses too, flourish to-day, and the writer was shown how a man, with a steady position, could hire a flat as related above, go to the instalment furniture man and have his flat furnished throughout, get clothes for himself, wife and children and even procure jewelry, should he so desire, and so to the uninitiated resemble a prosperous man. Should this man fail, however, to pay even one month's instalment on these articles so procured, the greedy Jew (as it is always a Jew) is only too ready with his wagon of removal, to strip the very clothing off his back, and to leave him possessionless and ruined.

The writer, too, was told how the poor years ago had bank accounts while their children to-day could not equal. In many cases this is so, but which is really better, to ruin one's self physically by living on brown bread and a little beer, varied only occasionally by a small piece of cheap pork and a few vegetables, and to put one's children out to work as soon as they can fairly walk, with only an education that could sign their names, and sometimes only to love lucrè, and to save thereby small fortune; or to live decently and nourish the body, to educate thoroughly the children, and to do good to our fellow man, even though we have no such a large bank account. The sensible, we are sure, would prefer the latter way. It is certainly wise and necessary to put something by for old age and misfortune, but to make the getting of lucre our one and only way. It is certainly better, to ruin one's self physically by living on brown bread and a little beer, varied only occasionally by a small piece of cheap pork and a few vegetables, and to leave him possessionless and ruined.

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Alumni Notes.

'82—The Rev. Lewis T. Wattson, B.D., has resigned St. John's Church, Kingston, N. Y., and is going to Nebraska to take charge of a preaching order there.

'86—Rev. J. Chauncey Linsley, B.A., after six years at St. Paul's Church, Woodbury, Conn., has ended his labours there and has accepted a call to Trinity Church, Irvington.

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'95—So far as can be learned the intentions of the members of this class for this year are as follows:—Messrs. Brestelle, Worrall, Dyer, Swan, Jennings and Lippitt will enter the General Theological Seminary, and Mr. Gilbert, the Berkeley. We wish them all success, and hope that they too may carry off the trophies of honor as their predecessors, from our dear old Alma Mater have done before them.

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A secret, holy spot,
Filled with the memory of some
This busy life knows not.

Low down and deeply dug they lie,
These cherished graves unseen,
And years of blighting care that pass
Make not these graves less green.

With jealous love we keep them fresh
Through many wintry years;
And when the world believes us gay,
We water them with tears.

Not for one cause, alike, do each
Their secret sorrow bear;
Perchance some mourn a living death—
Yet still a grave is there.

Oh! there are things within this life
Which strangely, deeply thrill;
In music's softest, sweetest notes,
We hear a voice long still!

We deem the act a wanton one,
Upon a grave to tread;
We pass in silent reverence
The resting of the dead:
Then on the secret, hidden spot,
Let us not press too near;
Remembering that to every heart
Its secret grave is dear.—"Sheltering Arms."

Twilight Thoughts.

As the twilight shadows gather, memory opens her golden door,
Leads me in amongst her treasures, leads me back to days of yore:
Many scenes she throws before me, yet for one I search alone,
'Tis the one whose thoughts are dearest, 'tis the one of childhood home.
Like some guardian old and faithful, beaten long by winds and rain,
Rises up the ancient chimney, mocks the storms that beat in vain,
And I see the peaked gables, almost hidden from my sight,
By the shadows of the maples, silent heralds of the night.
And one branch, an old companion, beating 'gainst the window-pane,
Wonders why I do not answer, wonders why it knocks in vain,
Does not know that I no longer, am a boy with nought of care,
Does not know that I like others, have my task of life to bear.
Ah I love thee dear old cottage, love thee though thy youth has fled,
Love thee for thou gavest shelter to my sainted mother's head;
There she soothed my infant sorrows, led my steps through hidden ways,
Taught me that beyond dark shadows, often shine the brightest rays.

—Williams Literary Monthly.

Jocularia.

There are many ways in which one may attempt to perpetuate the name
of his College Society; but the surest way comes from the University
of Vermont, where a certain student (no doubt a Freshman), requested
the dealer to engrave on the new family monument, over the place where his own
name would eventually be, the insignia of his College Fraternity.

"Something better than his dog, a little dearer than his horse."

A young bridegroom was recently asked if he intended to take a bridal tour.
In tones expressive of the deepest contempt, he replied "She's not a horse."

SALVE!
You're right welcome, '99,
Recent heir of a noble line;
We're glad to gather you into the fold,
Leaving the poor "Preps" out in the cold.
It is to be hoped that though you're green
Enough vermillion will be seen—
These are your colors; we're glad to hear it—
To foster a warm "S. Stephen's spirit."

"Oh, mamma," said little Ethel the first time she saw a Chinaman, "look
at the gentleman with his eyes cut bias."—Washington Star.
Statistics.

RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

The Missionary Society, organized in 1864, has a membership of twenty-five. Meetings are held once a month, at which time two essays are read, one on Domestic Missions, the other on Foreign Missions.

The S. Peter's Brotherhood, an organization devoted to religious and charitable works among the people in the neighborhood of the college, has a membership of forty.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

The Eulaxsion Society.—Color, ecclesiastical red; organized 1860.


Special Course.—F. De M. Devall, '96; C. N. A. Pooley, '97.

Eclctic Student.—C. B. Dubell.


Kappa Gamma Chi.—Color, corn yellow; organized 1868.


Preparatory Class.—T. Van Amee.

FRATERNITIES.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, Sigma Phi Chapter.—Colors, royal purple and gold; chartered February 21st, 1894.


Special Course.—W. W. Dyer, '97; D. C. Ogden, '97.

Ecllectric Student.—C. G. Clark.

The Athletic Association has been in existence for some years, but seems to have some lethargic complaint which has deprived it of all life. It spent its energies a few years ago trying to procure funds for a gymnasium, and has never been heard of since that time. We trust some benefactor of humanity will realize our need, and enable this body to erect a substantial stone or brick gymnasium building. Of all our needs this is the most urgent. The Church needs strong men, and the gymnasium is the only place where fully one-half of the college year exercise could be taken and strength developed.