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ADDRESS ON HERBERT SPENCER.

Delivered by President Schurman in Sage Chapel on Sunday Night—Clean-cut Criticism of Noted Englishman's Philosophy.

President Jacob Gould Schurman spoke in Sage Chapel Sunday evening upon "Herbert Spencer." It was one of those delightful and suggestive talks on philosophical subjects which he has of late made it a practice to give before the students about once a year, treating the most fundamental problems of life and science in a style at once simple, crisp, and keen. In anticipation of this, an audience had gathered which completely filled the chapel. It was an admirable address, for the student who knew nothing of Spencer could gain from it a clear conception of the personality of the man himself and the essential principles of his philosophy, and at the same time the student familiar with the writings of the great Englishman enjoyed a thoughtful and clean-cut criticism of Spencer's philosophy, its strength and weakness, and its merits as a system of thought.

A resumé of the address follows:

On Wednesday of last week, 84 years ago, was born Herbert Spencer. He died in December of last year. During that long life of almost four-score years, he came to occupy a position in philosophy, certainly in British philosophy, second to none since David Hume. His numerous works were translated into the leading languages of Europe; were discussed throughout the Continent, as well as in Anglo-Saxon countries; and were well-known in India, Japan, and some other parts of the Orient.

In this country, I learn from a publishers' note to D. Appleton & Company's edition of his autobiography that 387,000 copies of his works have been sold by them. This takes no account of unauthorized editions by other publishers, of which there have been several. These figures afford a striking statistical illustration of the influence he has exerted in this country. Probably it has not been less in other parts of the world.

Darwin in 1870 wrote to a friend that a perusal of Spencer's writings convinced him that Spencer would "hereafter be looked at as by far the greatest living philosopher, perhaps to any that have ever lived." Darwin was not a philosopher, but he weighed his words, and undoubtedly he reflected the prevailing sentiment in the literary and scientific circles in which he moved.

It is essential to a recognition of the fundamental thought of the man, that we should to some extent understand his life, experience and personality. Turning to his autobiography, of which I have just received the advance sheets, we find, as would be expected from an evolutionary philosopher, that Spencer himself recognized this connection between his own life and his system of thought. The following sentence from the preface is of particular significance: "One significant truth has been made clear—that in the genesis of a system of thought the emotional nature is a large factor; perhaps as large a factor as the intellectual nature." That is a very striking confession for a rationalistic philosopher, a thinker who deduced his system of thought wholly from certain first principles.

In his autobiography, Spencer devotes a large number of pages to his ancestry. The family characteristics may be briefly indicated thus: Decided individuality, and hence the Spencers were regarded even as more or less eccentric; less than usual respect for authority, and tendency to assert personal judgment in defiance of authority; a general lack of reticence. The last characteristic Herbert Spencer says that he suffered from throughout life; it would have made him unsuccessful as a business man and it tended to make him intolerable as a companion. This was a marked characteristic among the brothers, i.e., Herbert's father and uncles, and this continued throughout their life. They never met but to discuss, and discussion usually ended in warm words. Each was firm in his own ideas, and eager in defending them. Spencer attributes this argumentative vigor to a love of truth; they could not bear to see error uncombated. This we may consider as an autobiographical euphemism for disputativeness, pride of opinion, conceit, bigotry. This tendency to diverge from each other led also to divergence from the beliefs in which they had been brought up—that is, to further non-conformity. It is to be noted too that they had little or no interest in poetry, literature, art, music, or anything appealing to the aesthetic.

Herbert Spencer reproduced in his own personality these distinct family characteristics. It is well also to consider his parents more particularly. In discussing them in the autobiography, he gives the most attention to his father, who, he says, was his superior in every

way, mentally, morally, physically, lacking only in adaptability to that walk of life in which the son was situated. A school master by profession, an excellent teacher, partly Socratic in his methods, with a remarkable faculty for stimulating students and making them think, he was indeed a man of large parts intellectually.

He was also imaginative, sympathetic, and possessed of considerable manipulative skill, so much that Herbert thought his father would have succeeded as a portrait painter or a sculptor. His bump of ideality was high; he was always reforming the world, or whatever part of it he could reach.

In all these admirable characteristics, says Herbert, was one great drawback: "He was not kind to my mother." He was exacting and inconsiderate, even to the smallest trifles. Herbert attributes this attitude to three factors: (1) his father's passion for reforming the world; (2) that his father was disappointed in her intellectual qualities; (3) he was suffering from chronic irritability. She was a woman of ordinary intellect but of the highest moral qualities sustained by strong religious beliefs. She was not sufficiently self-assertive; her altruism was too little qualified by egoism; so says the son.

The father was a teacher, and gave the boy large liberty. He sought to interest him in the fields and forests and the material things about him. Herbert thus early became interested primarily in natural objects. Even at this early age, he had no respect for authority. He was markedly averse to book learning; he thought he could not learn by rote, which shut him off from much knowledge of the languages. He was unable to read much; this inability lasted through life. I do not think any great man has lived in modern times who read so little. He had a decidedly original nature. As a boy he believed in himself, and wanted to think out things for himself. He was argumentative and disputatious, rather disagreeable, I suspect, as a companion.

At 13, his father sent him to school under his brother at Hinton, but Spencer ran away and came home. In 1837, he went to work as an engineer, and until 1848 he devoted the major part of his time to this work. Here he manifested remarkable inventive powers. In his autobiography, he devotes one long chapter to a list and descrip-

FRENCH DRAMATICS REVIVED.

Les Cabotins, French Circle at University, Presented "Le Monde ou l'on s'ennuie" Before Crowded House at Lyceum on Saturday.

Les Cabotins, the French Society of the University, presented the witty comedy "Le Monde ou l'on s'ennuie", at the Lyceum on Saturday evening and made one of the hits of the theatrical season in Ithaca. It was a hypercritical audience that filled the playhouse to witness the initial effort of the French circle yet that audience was lavish in the praise it bestowed upon the actors and upon Professor E. W. Olmsted and Dr. Guerlac of the French department who organized Les Cabotins and through whose efforts French dramatics have been revived at Cornell.

The play "Le Monde ou l'on s'ennuie," by Edouard Pailleron, is one of the classics of modern French comedy and won for its author an election to the French Academy. It was first produced at the Theatre Francais in 1881, has retained its popularity ever since and is one of the favorite pieces in the repertoire of the Cercle Francais.

The title, impossible to translate literally, may be roughly rendered "The Serious Set," and the play satirizes that portion of Parisian fashionable society whose especial fad is an affected devotion to letters and learning, the cultivation of literary celebrities, a fondness for attending lectures and an ambition to make its influence felt in the conferring of literary and academic honors.

The scene is laid at the chateau of Mme. de Ceran, at St. Germain. She has filled her house with guests, who in the evening are to hear a lecture upon Sanskrit literature by a university professor, St. Reault, and an "author's reading" of a tragedy by a new poet, Des Millets.

Another professor, Bellac, is a rival of St. Reault for popularity among the ladies, and also for a certain chair; his lectures are upon "Love."

Lucy Watson, an English girl, is infatuated with Bellac. M. and Mme. Paul Raymond, a newly wedded pair, also guests of Mme. de Ceran, tormented by the solemnity of their surroundings, resort to strategy to find opportunities to exchange endearments.

Mme. de Ceran wishes to marry her son, Roger, a young scholar, to the pedantic Miss Watson, but by the interposition of her aunt, the Duchesse de Reville, she sees him

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in the end engaged to a much more lovable girl, the impulsive and charming orphan, Suzanne.

Though but few of the members of the cast had before taken part in theatricals, all conducted themselves before the footlights as though they were experienced actors. As the vivacious Suzanne de Villiers, Miss Dubreuil made the hit of the evening, her interpretation of the typical Parisian girl being superb. Second honors went to Miss Moses in the role of the affectionate wife of Paul Raymond.

The cast follows:

LE MONDE OU L'ON S'ENNUIE.

PERSONNAGES.

Bellac	S. W. Treat
Roger de Cérans	L. Pumpelly
Paul Raymond	H. S. Denison
Toulonnier	F. G. Fabian
Le Général de Briais	A. Gordon
François	A. David
De Saint-Réault	F. Zavallos
Des Millets	E. Stehli
La Duchesse de Réville	Miles.
C. H. Crawford ou M. C. Almy	
Madame de Loudan	S. M. Gaither
Jeanne Raymond	S. Moses
Lucy Watson	A. V. Barbour
Suzanne de Villiers	A. B. Dubreuil
La Comtesse de Cérans	L. M. Gildner
Madame Arriégo	A. E. Kirchner

[Address on Herbert Spencer.]

tion of his inventions. Asking himself the question whether he could have succeeded as an engineer, he thinks he might have failed because of lack of regard for registered experience, and lack of tact in dealing with men, especially his superiors.

From 1848 to 1853, he was sub-editor of the London Economist. The work was light and so was the pay; but it gave him mastery of his own time, and he was already tending to authorship.

His uncle then left him a small legacy making it possible for him for a time to live without working for money. He retired from the Economist, and his life became the writing of books and caring for his health. It seems hard to believe that this prodigious amount of literary labor was performed by a man who never slept more than three or four hours a night, who was waked 10 to 20 times during that brief period, a man who was able to work only two or three hours a day. Sometimes he wrote walking about in his room, or in the park, or even in a boat. He would row a little while, and then dictate a little.

Nothing could be more remarkable than his building of a great philosophical system. Up to two years before he began, he had never given any attention to philosophy; had never read any of the books on the subject; had never given any attention to the phenomena of mind. In '53, two years before he began his great work, he read Mills's Logic for the first time, and this was about all. On the side of the scholar, his equipment for such a task was indeed the poor-

est, but he had much on the other side. His was great originality, accompanied by utter disregard of the opinions of others. He was always ignorant of what other philosophers had written; had he known the philosophical problems of the centuries he would have been much more helpful. He was over-confident in himself, "cocksure," and anything he wrote took for him the form of gospel. When the world criticized, he simply lamented that the world was so far behind him.

He had two gifts which fitted him for this work. First, was his synthetic tendency, the gift of making a combination of ideas into a system. He was never satisfied with a fact until he had reduced it to a principle; he was never satisfied with a principle until he had welded it into a system. He always sought to get back to first principles.

In almost equal degree he had the power of analysis. The most complex phenomena never baffled; he eagerly attacked and resolved them. He explained everything.

One thing more he regarded as important. He early learned from his father to seek the causes of things. This was his dominant intellectual impulse. Hence his philosophy was naturalistic or even materialistic. I don't care what sort of a philosopher you call yourself, if you seek only cause and effect in the universe, you are bound to come to this materialistic view.

Spencer regarded himself as the philosopher of evolution. As such, he thus defined the task to which he set himself: "As philosophy is completely unified knowledge, evolutionary philosophy must succeed in describing the universe from beginning to end, and must deduce the whole thing from a few basic principles." Searching for the final first principle, he found it in the persistence of force, and to that he referred all phenomena in the universe.

My own belief is that the gaps in such a system must always remain large and considerable, for the universe is vast and complex, and the human mind is limited and frail. Assume, however, that Spencer did succeed in his universalistic philosophy. His philosophy explains everything on earth and in the heavens, but it does not explain ME, the man thinking it out. The mental operations of others may be mere states of consciousness, which can be referred back to the first principle of force, but I'm not a mere state of consciousness. I'm sitting in judgment on such state, determining the true and the false, the right and the wrong. Every man who attempts to think out these things by his very act in so thinking refutes the materialistic doctrine.

In the second place, the doctrine

fails to explain ME, the doer, the agent, the one who acts. I can treat all else than myself as mere effects; but with my own personality the explanation stops.

I sometimes have said that the whole difference between that conception and Spencer's is in the way we are to write the pronoun "I". If it is "i", then the person is a mere object, and the materialistic theory is well taken. If it is "I", then the personality becomes more than a mere spectator, it is a creator, who does and thinks things.

But some say that Spencer himself pointed out that his explanation was relative. If that is so it makes no difference, for the other relative factor ought to have been set up to limit the material one.

By some, Spencer's agnosticism is regarded as an important phase of his philosophy. Spencer himself says that he never attached much importance to it. As a bit of reasoning, it is inconclusive. He asserts that man can know only phenomena. The very assertion of these limitations carries a man over and beyond them. Only the man outside of, the man beyond, these limitations can point them out.

Spencer's agnosticism accounts for the despairing reflections with which his autobiography closes. "What if" he asks "of all that is thus incomprehensible to us, there exists no comprehension anywhere?" And again the tragic suggestion "that with death there lapses both the consciousness of existence and the consciousness of having existed." But these paralyzing reflections are the inevitable outcome of the materialistic philosophy embodied in his First Principles. That philosophy remains materialistic even though its author disavows materialism; for it finds the final principal of things in material force. Had Spencer recognized along with the energy stored up in the physical universe the creative powers of the human spirit as they are expressed in reason, and in conscience, in the capacity for determining truth and falsehood and of directing our own conduct, he would not have ended his autobiography with a baffling note of despair.

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PRINCETON, 2; CORNELL, 1.

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Won Well-fought Contest from
Captain Brewster's Men.

Though Cornell outbatted and outfielded the Tiger baseball players on Saturday Princeton won by a score of 2 to 1. Inability to hit when men were longingly waiting on the third sack was the cause of Cornell's downfall. Yet it was a great game—probably as fast a game as has been played on any college diamond in the East thus far this season.

It was a pitcher's battle and in the struggle the veteran Underhill found his superior in Lefevre, who Saturday pitched his first game against one of the large colleges. Lefevre allowed his opponents but four hits and had superb control throughout the game. Brewster's men found Underhill for six safe hits. The freshman infield behaved itself like a veteran aggregation and never for an instant was anywhere but on hard terra firma. The features of the game were the hitting of Preston and the spectacular fielding of Rice.

In the fourth inning Cornell got a man around to third base. Brewster went to first on an error; Costello sacrificed but got to first on Bard's error, which sent Brewster to third; Brown flied out to Wells; Wiley flied out to Davis; Rice was thrown out at first and the side was retired leaving men on second and third.

Again in the sixth a Cornell man was left on third. Brewster was thrown out at first base; Costello was given a base on balls, stole second and went to third on Brown's out; Wiley, the next man up, struck out.

In the eighth Champaign made a two-base hit and was advanced to third on Preston's single; Preston and Welch were put out on Welch's drive to Wells but Champaign scored at the plate; Lefevre struck out.

Princeton scored in the sixth and seventh. In the sixth Davis was hit by a pitched ball; Cosgrave struck out; Underhill hit to Wiley, and Davis went to second; Purnell made a two-base hit, scoring Davis and Bard flied out to Brewster. In the seventh, Wells struck out; Satterwhite singled and stole second; Reid was given a base on balls; Forsythe hit to Brown who overthrew to Preston allowing Satterwhite to score; Rice threw Reid out at the plate and Davis was thrown out at first. Score:

CORNELL.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Brewster, lf.....	0	0	1	0	0
Costello, cf.....	0	1	4	1	0
Brown, 3b.....	0	0	0	0	1
Wiley, s.....	0	1	1	0	1
Rice, 2b.....	0	0	3	3	0
Champaign rf.....	1	2	3	2	0
Preston, 1b.....	0	2	8	0	0
Welch, c.....	0	0	4	2	0
Lefevre, p.....	0	0	0	3	0
Totals.....	1	6	24	11	2

PRINCETON.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Davis, rf.....	1	0	3	0	1
Cosgrave, cf.....	0	0	1	0	0
Underhill, p.....	0	1	0	4	0
Purnell, 3b.....	0	1	2	0	0
Bard, 1b.....	0	0	9	0	1
Wells, 2b.....	0	1	2	1	1
Satterwhite, ss.....	1	1	2	2	1
Reid, c.....	0	0	7	1	0
Forsythe, lf.....	0	0	1	0	0

Totals..... 2 4 27 8 4

Score by innings:

Cornell.....	0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—1
Princeton.....	0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 x—2

Earned runs, Cornell, 1; two-base hits, Purnell, Champaign; first on balls, off Underhill, 4, off Lefevre, 3; struck out, by Underhill, 6, by Lefevre, 2; left on bases Princeton, 6, Cornell, 15; sacrifice hit, Costello; double plays, Satterwhite to Bard; Costello to Rice; hit by pitched ball, Satterwhite, Davis, Reid; stolen bases, Wells, Satterwhite: first base on errors, Cornell, 2; umpire, Phil King; time, 1:45.

Lacrosse Team Defeated Columbia, 8 to 1.

The home season of the Lacrosse team opened on Saturday at Percy Field when Columbia was defeated, 8 to 1. Though the Columbia men far outweighed their opponents they were outplayed at every turn and rarely came within hailing distance of the Cornell goal. Cornell's attack was irresistible and her defence impregnable. The game was a spectacular exhibition of lacrosse, no one seeming to feel the slightest compunction about beating an opponent with his stick. The brilliant playing of the game was done by Captain Curran and Bleakley. The score at the end of the first half was 3 to 1 in Cornell's favor; in the second half the visitors were played off their feet and five more tallies were added by Curran's men.

Line-up and summaries:

CORNELL.		COLUMBIA.
Klein	goal	Saqui
Finlay	point	Benedict
Vatet	cover-point	Rogers
Reitze	1st defense	Benjamin
Atwater	2nd defense	Gutsely
Scheidenhelm	3rd defense	Baum
Turner	center	Hays
Eveland	3rd attack	Ray
Curran	2nd attack	Adams
Bleakley	1st attack	Reid
Main	outside home	Stewart
Hunter	inside home	VanBuren

Goals: Cornell, Hunter, 3, Bleakley, 2, Main, 2, Curran, 1; Columbia, Adams 1. Time of halves twenty minutes. Umpire, Dr. Paul Anderson of the University of Toronto.

Track Prospects a Bit More Cheerful.

About this season of the year Trainer John Moakley's face is a sort of barometer upon which can be read, more accurately than anywhere else, the condition of the Cornell track team. If the readings this week are correct the stock of team has, with him at least, gone up some twenty points.

The development of the week which has caused things to "look up" a bit in track athletics has been the reappearance of Sears at the field and his performance on Satur-

day afternoon when, with but three days of training, he pranced down the 100-yard stretch in 10 1-5 seconds. This means, ten points for Cornell in the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes in the Princeton meet and very likely in the Pennsylvania meet also.

At the track training table the following men are eating: Captain L. T. Ketchum, T. M. Foster, R. S. Trott, Barrett Smith, F. M. Sears, W. E. Schutt, H. F. Porter, F. G. Wallis, E. Cairns, J. B. Phillips, L. Ashburner, D. C. Munson, C. F. Magoffin, and G. W. Mosher.

The first meet of the season will be held at Syracuse on Saturday when Cornell's opponent will be Syracuse University. The contest was arranged to put the Cornell men in condition for the Pennsylvania meet which takes place in Ithaca on Saturday, May 14th.

Eighty-Six Memorial Stage.

In the final competition for places on the Eighty-six Memorial Stage, held last Wednesday evening, the following contestants were chosen to take part in the public competition to be held in the Armory on Tuesday evening, May 31st; George G. Bogert, Ithaca; Ernest M. Card, Tacoma, Wash.; Miss Cook, Ithaca; Alfred David, New York City; Howard W. Douglass, McKeesport, Pa.; Abraham A. Freedlander, Buffalo, N. Y.; George L. Genung, Waverly, N. Y.; John M. Harwood, Appleton, N. Y.; Hugh P. Henry, Eau Claire, Wis.; James N. Lorenz, Uhrichville, N. Y.; Horace G. Nebeker, Logan, Utah; and Charles H. Tuck, Ogdensburg, N. Y. Miss Simmons of Worcester, Mass., was chosen alternate.

The competition was unusually keen. "Only after long deliberation was a decision made and then only by minute comparison", the successful competitors winning out by an eye-lash's grace.

Officers of Debate Union.

The Debate Union held its annual election on Monday evening when Neil D. Becker, '05, was elected president; C. H. Tuck, '06, vice-president; W. B. Summer, '07, secretary and G. G. Bogert, '06, treasurer. The faculty members elected to the Debate Council were Professor H. A. Sill and Professor R. C. H. Catterall; the Alumni members, Professor F. A. Fetter and William Neff.

Commencement Week Calendar.

Commencement Week will open on Sunday, June 19th, when Dr. David H. Geer will preach the Baccalaureate sermon in Sage Chapel. Tuesday, June 21st will be Class Day; Wednesday, the 22nd, Alumni Day; and Thursday, the 23rd, Commencement Day. The Alumni luncheon will be held in the Armory at 1 P. M., on Wed-

nesday. These are the general features of the Week; details will be arranged and announced within a fortnight.

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Next year the Cornell Sun will be an eight-page daily carrying each morning, among other things, a couple of columns of telegraph news from the bureau of the New York World. Telegraph reports of intercollegiate contests, half-tone cuts, a department of faculty notices and a calendar announcing events of seven succeeding days will also be features.

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June 22nd is Alumni Day and hundreds of Cornell men in every part of the country are planning to make a pilgrimage to Ithaca at that time. Some are planning to come with their wives and children to show them something of the University; others are planning to come alone to spend the greater part of their time in the company of the small circle of men with whom they were most closely associated while in college. But when all the plans are being laid for this great rounding-up of Cornellians every man should remember that June 22nd is ALUMNI DAY, that that day belongs to the University and to the classes that are holding reunions and that no man has any other engagement for that day. Every man in each of the reunion classes owes it to every other member of his class to be with the class from the time the curtain rises on the morning of the 22nd until it is lowered in the morning of the 23rd. The chapter houses will hold their annual reunions on Tuesday, the 21st, and on Thursday, the 23rd, leaving Wednesday clear for class and university functions.

The University Club of Brooklyn.

The Cornell members of the young and thriving University Club of Brooklyn are at present showing considerable activity in enrolling other Cornellians in that organization. The membership is growing by leaps and bounds, and the limit of 500 will be reached this summer or fall. When this occurs the Cornell contingent will number con-

siderably more than one-tenth of the entire club.

In addition to the Cornellians named in the ALUMNI NEWS of March 2nd as being members of the club, the following are now enrolled: Lyman A. Best, '88, William W. Southworth, '93, Ellis L. Aldrich, '97, W. W. Macon, '98, Douglass K. Brown, '02 and William R. Couch, '02.

Several other names have been proposed during the past few weeks and are now awaiting the action of the Membership Committee.

It is not now considered probable that the Cornell members will hold a dinner before next fall. This is due partly to the fact that it was late in the season before the plan was proposed and partly to the occurrence already of two events which have served as Cornell reunions.

The first of these was the dinner of the club, which will hereafter be an annual function. It was held in the latter part of March, and brought out a goodly number of Cornellians. Those present were I. Chester G. Wilkins, '93; William F. Atkinson, '95; Joseph A. McCarroll, '95; Charles R. Gaston, '96; W. W. Macon, '98; William C. Richardson, '99; F. Monroe Crouch, '00; Gardiner S. Dresser, '00; Ralph E. Hemstreet, '00; Harry R. Cobleigh, '01; Gordon W. Colton, '01; Ernest H. Riedel, '02, and Richardson Webster, '02.

The second was President Schurman's visit to the club on April 16th. The occasion of his visit was a banquet and monthly meeting of the Brooklyn Principals' Association, at which he spoke on "Some Recent Tendencies and Developments in Education." The University Club had given notice to its members of his presence, and nearly all the Cornell members were on hand to meet him.

Richardson Webster, '02, who was connected with most of the undergraduate publications while at the University, and who now is engaged in newspaper work, has been elected secretary of the press committee of the University Club.

Special Meeting of Trustees.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University, at which will be selected the successor of the late Dr. Thurston, will be held on Saturday, May 7th.

Coach Hugh Jennings Leaves.

Hugh Jennings, '04, Law, coach of the baseball team, has asked the Athletic Council to release him from his contract whereby he has engaged to coach the Nine until June 15th. Appreciating the value of his services the Council will reluctantly comply with his request. Mr. Jennings is part owner, manager and second baseman of the Baltimore Eastern League team

and recent developments imperatively demand that he join his team at once.

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1899, Norman J. Gould, Seneca Falls, N. Y.

1901, Heatley Green, 42 Woodward Terrace, Detroit, Mich.

College Athletics at St. Louis Exposition.

Following is the schedule of college athletic events to be held at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis:

May 12-13—College gymnastics.

June 11—Western college track championship.

June 20-25—College baseball.

June 25—Olympic college track championship, open to colleges of the world.

June 13-14—College basketball.

August 29-September 3—Tennis.

September 8-10—Fencing.

September 19-24—Golf tournament.

November 10-11—Relay races.

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November 17—Cross country championship.

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CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

[Every Cornell man who has, at any time during the year, found upon this page a personal item which has been of interest to him is unanimously elected by the editors a special correspondent for the page with the request that he send to us TODAY some personal items regarding fellow Cornellians of his acquaintance.]

'88, B.L.—Howard C. Beauchamp is editor of the Ortonville Journal, Ortonville, Minn.

'91, B.S.—Henry H. Sanger is assistant cashier of the Commercial Bank of Detroit, Mich.

'91, M.E.—Warren H. Meeker is associate professor of mechanical engineering at Iowa State College.

'91, M.E.—John J. Herrick is a mechanical engineer in the Department of Docks and Ferries, New York City.

'91, M.E.—Gaylord D. Hulett is auditor of the Transit Finance company, 2126 Land Title Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

'91, M.E.—Samuel E. Hitt is a mechanical engineer in the office of the district boiler superintendent, American Steel and Wire company, Bunker Hill, Ill.

'91, M.E.—James E. Cress is superintendent of the Physical Laboratory of the Cambria Steel company. His address is 534 Locust street, Johnstown, Pa.

'92, M.E.—Edgar L. Morley is superintendent of construction for Hatzel and Buehles, electrical contractors, New York City.

'93, M.E.—Kinney C. Hoxie is chief draughtsman for the Lackawanna Steel Company of Buffalo and resides at 135 Albany street, Buffalo.

'93, M.E.—Carl M. Green is a chief engineer in the United States Revenue Cutter Service. His address is room 77, United States Appraisers' Building, San Francisco, Cal.

'94, M.E.—William Morrison is manager of the Columbus Machine company, Columbus, O.

'94, M.E.—Theodore C. Menges is superintendent of the Waterloo Motor Works, Waterloo, Iowa.

'94, M.E.—Samuel A. Mendenhall is president and general manager of the Bazelman street railroad company, Bazelman, Mont.

'94, M.E.—Nelson Macy is president of the Deutz Lithograph company, and of Corliss, Macy and Company, 95 William street, New York City.

'94, Ph.B.—Herbert L. Fordham, counselor at law, will move his office on May 1st from 31 Liberty street, New York City, to 49-51 Wall street.

'95, M.E.—Robert B. Mann is proprietor of the Milwaukee Machine company, 507 Logan avenue, Milwaukee, Wis.

'95, M.M.E.—Charles E. Hewitt is president of the firm of C. E. Hewitt and Company, electrical engineers and contractors, 13-21 Park Row, New York City.

Ex-'95.—Frank Carney, a graduate student for the past three

years in the department of Geology, has been appointed professor of geology in Dennison University, Granville, Ohio.

'96, M.E.—Frederick B. McBrier is secretary of the Ball Engine company, Erie, Pa.

'97, M.E.—Albert R. Hatfield is with the Utica Canning company, Utica, N. Y.

'97, M.E.—George H. Lewis is general superintendent of the Chesapeake Transit company, Norfolk, Va.

'97, M.E.—Sidney G. Jenks is chief engineer of the Jenks Shipbuilding company, Port Huron, Mich.

'97, M.E.—Herbert L. Daniels is with the Rogers-Conklin Manufacturing company, builders of machinery, Joplin, Mo.

'97, M.E.—Charles T. Mordock is superintendent of the lighting and power department, Terre Haute Electric company, Terre Haute, Ind.

'97, M.E.—John L. Harper is chief engineer of the Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power and Manufacturing company, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

'97, M.E.—John C. W. Greth is manager of the water purifying department of the Wm. B. Scaife and Sons company. His address is 221 First avenue, Pittsburg.

Ex-'97.—Miss Florence E. Allen, ex-'97, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anson G. Allen of Rochester, and George Franklin Inch of Kalamazoo, Mich., were married on Thursday evening, April 28th, at the home of the bride's parents, by the Rev. William C. Gannett of the First Unitarian Church of Rochester. The bridesmaid was Miss Mabel Clark, '97. Mr. and Mrs. Inch will spend the next two months in Europe and will be at home in June at Kalamazoo where Dr. Inch is attached to the staff of the Michigan State Asylum.

'98, M.E.—Frederick C. Neilson is assistant inspector of engineering materials, Bureau of Steam Engineering, United States Navy, Colts Armory, Hartford, Conn.

'99, B.S.—Walter C. Teagle has changed his address to 21 Myrtle avenue, Plainfield, N. J.

'99, C.E.—Malcom A. Rue has changed his address to 707 St. Johns place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'99, C.E.—Calvin L. Barton is with Jacobs and Davis, consulting engineers, New York City. He resides at 159 Madison avenue.

'00, M.E.—Carl E. Hardy is employed in the United States Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.

'00, M.E.—Lester H. Kehl is a manufacturer of hosiery at 418 N. 10th street, New York City.

'00, B.S.—Norman Dodge has changed his address to 19th street and Allegheny avenue, Philadelphia.

'00, M.E.—Robert L. Alexander is a draughtsman and electrical engineer with the Keystone Electric company, Erie, Pa.

'00, C.E.—George W. Penfield has changed his address from Ormond, Florida, to 52 Camp street, New Britain, Conn.

'00, M.M.E.—Clement R. Jones is professor of mechanical engineering in the University of West Virginia, Morgantown, W. Va.

'00, M.E.—Philip Will has been appointed superintendent of the cyanide plant of the El Cubo Mining and Milling company, Guajuato, Mex.

'01, M.E.—Fred C. Perkins has changed his address to 104 Hamilton street, Duquesne, Pa.

'01, M.E.—Alfred H. Knight is a ship draughtsman with the Great Lakes Engineering Works, Detroit, Mich.

'01, M.M.E.—Alexander S. Langsdorf is assistant professor of electrical engineering in Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

'01, C.E.—Howard W. Underwood is assistant engineer of the Bureau of Filtration, Pittsburg, Pa. His address is 518 N. St. Clair street.

'01, A.B.—Edwin F. Thayer has formed a partnership with John B. Tracy, City Solicitor of Taunton, Mass., to practice law at 7 Sturdy Block, Attleboro, under the firm name of Tracy & Thayer.

'01, M.E.—Louis Illmer, Jr., is designer of gas engines with the De la Vergne Refrigerating Machine company, New York City. His address is 706 E. 138th street. After leaving the University he spent one year in the Berlin Polytechnicum, Charlottenburg, Germany.

'02, Ph.D.—Alexander W. Crawford is dean of Beaver College, Beaver, Pa.

'02, M.S. in Agr.—C. K. McClelland is an instructor in North Carolina Agricultural College.

'02, B.S. Agr.—Charles W. Wenborne has changed his address to Brocton, N. Y.

Ex-'02.—George D. D. Kirkpatrick is employed in the General Land Office, Washington, D. C.

'02, C.E.—Robert Follansbee's address is care of United States Geological Survey, Malta, Montana.

'02, M.E.—Clarence F. Harvey is foreman of the axle department of the Cadillac Automobile company, Detroit, Mich. His address is 51 E. Forest avenue.

'03, C.E.—E. M. Lara has changed his address from Staunton, Va., to Pleasant Valley, Iowa.

'03, A.B.—Joseph D. Warner is a student in the School of Forestry at the University of Michigan.

'03, C.E.—Henry F. Badger, Jr., has changed his address from Cincinnati, O., to Princeton, Scott county, Iowa.

'03, M.E.—Audenried Whittemore has moved from Erie, Pa., to Chicago. His address is care of F. H. Gale, 34-36 North Monroe street.

Ex-'05.—Albert C. White is in business at Little Falls, N. Y.

CORNELL OBITUARIES.

Richard Johnston Putnam, '93.

Richard Johnston Putnam, '93, died at Denver, Colo., on Thursday, April 21st. Mr. Putnam entered Cornell from Centenary College, Louisiana, in the Fall of '91 and received his Bachelor's degree in '93. Since leaving Cornell he spent most of his time in Honolulu until 1901 when he went to Denver.

Helene Kingman, '97, Special.

Miss Helene Agnes Kingman, a special student in 1896-7, died at her home in Vineland, N. J., on April 22nd. Though never robust, up to a month ago she was in her usual health. She was a graduate of the Vineland high school, of the New Jersey State Normal school, and of Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, and was a young woman of many attainments. For several years she was a teacher in the Vineland schools and of late had been assistant librarian in the City Library at Trenton. At Cornell she became a member of the Delta Gamma Society, and made many friends.

Cornell University Club of New York.

The Cornell University Club of New York held its first annual meeting in its new clubhouse, No. 58 West 45th street, Manhattan, on Thursday evening, April 28th. The meeting was a mere formality, as the only business transacted was the election of four members of the Board of Governors. The nominating committee, consisting of Frank O. Affeld, Jr., '97, chairman, William F. Atkinson, '95, and Charles H. Blair, Jr., '98, proposed the names of Bert Hanson, '93, L. J. Kersburg, '98, W. L. Wright, '00, and Frederick Willis, '01. These four were unanimously elected. They will hold office for four years, beginning July 1st.

Following the meeting a Smoker was held, which was attended by more than a hundred members. The affair was a great success, and was very enjoyable. It was entirely informal, and the entertainment was all impromptu and furnished by the members. The University Glee Club of New York was giving a concert at the Waldorf-Astoria that night. At its close the Cornell members and some others went to the clubhouse and furnished college and other songs until far into the night.

The Club is entering upon a period of great prosperity. The steward reports that the average attendance at the house during April was fully double that of any preceding month, a fact which indicates the rapidly increasing popularity of the Club as a resort for Cornellians.

Non-resident members are finding it very handy as a headquarters while they are in the city, and

there are out-of-town members at the Club almost every day. Of the six rooms in the upper part of the house which the Club rents to its members, three are now in regular use, and the other three are at the disposition of transients. All three are occupied almost ever night. The rates are \$5 per week for single rooms, \$10 per week for double rooms, and \$1 a day for transients.

Some class holds a reunion at the clubhouse almost every Tuesday evening, which is the time set aside for these gatherings. This bringing together of classmates is one of the most important functions of the Club. Printed notices of meetings are furnished, and everything is done to lighten the labor of assembling a class and to encourage such meetings. The more recent classes take advantage of this most often. The class of 1902 meets once a month, and a coterie of 1903 men comes together even more frequently.

Philadelphia Alumni Dinner.

The annual dinner of the Philadelphia Association of Cornell University was held at the Manufacturers' Club, Philadelphia, on Friday evening the 22nd, with about forty Cornellians present. R. T. Mickle was toastmaster and the speakers were Arthur Falkeneau, '78; Clarence Beebe, '78; and Guy Gundaker, '96.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, R. T. Mickle, '92; vice-president, G. W. Borton, '95; secretary and treasurer, E. J. Hedden, '92; athletic representative, Guy Gundaker, '96; executive committee, A. Falkeneau, '78; A. M. Rodelheim, '96; E. B. Carter, '99, and the president and secretary of the Association.

Those present at the dinner were: J. M. Hodge, '72; C. E. Larzelere, '72; Clarence Beebe, '78; Arthur Falkeneau, '78; W. E. Jackson, '80; J. W. Silliman, ex-'85; Clark Dillenbeck, '88; W. S. Twining, '88; T. W. Milnor, '89; Augustus Wood, '91; E. J. Hedden, '92; R. T. Mickle, '92; H. V. Register, '92; H. V. Wille, '92; H. B. Brazier, '93; C. J. Toerring, Jr., '93; G. W. Borton, '95; A. M. Roedelheim, '96; A. T. Bruegel, '96 G.; Guy Gundaker, '96; A. S. Garrett, '97; Alfred Hurlburt, '97; D. R. Richie, '97; J. J. Swann, '97; R. S. McGowin, '98; A. E. Whiting, '98; E. B. Carter, '99; Norman Dodge, '00; A. C. Mott, Jr., '00; A. D. Warner, Jr., '00; J. A. Vogleson, '00; E. B. Cary, '00; W. H. Nevin, '00; W. F. Dorner, '01; H. E. Beyer, '02; R. M. Campbell, '02; M. C. Turpin, ex-'04.

Judges for Woodford Contest.

The annual contest for the Woodford Prize in Oratory will be held in the Armory on Friday evening, the 6th. The judges will be the

Hon. Samuel B. Turner, '69, of Auburn; Professor Arthur M. Curtis of the Oneonta Normal school and Mr. J. W. Slauson, editor of the Middletown Press.

Professor John V. VanPelt, Head of College of Architecture, Resigns.

The resignation of Professor John V. VanPelt, as professor of design in charge of the Cornell College of Architecture, was announced by the executive committee of the trustees on Tuesday. Professor VanPelt has decided to give up teaching and enter upon the active practice of his profession. The resignation takes effect at Commencement and soon after the closing of college he will open offices in New York City.

When Professor VanPelt came to Cornell in 1902 to take charge of the College of Architecture, in the place made vacant by the resignation of Professor A. B. Trowbridge, it was with the understanding that he should leave Cornell as soon as he desired to take up active practice. Since then he has spent the summer, that of 1902, in England, and last summer he went to Paris, remaining there during the fall and winter on a leave of absence from the University. He returned about February first.

While abroad he made a trip to Spain, but spent most of his time in Paris, studying at the Ecole des Beaux Arts, where he achieved noteworthy success. He won the Prix St. Agnan Boucher, a prize of 1009 francs given to the student obtaining the largest number of medals and mentions after receiving his diploma from the Ecole. He also won a silver medal for his work in sketch design.

Professor Van Pelt enters upon his professional career after a long period of preparation during which he has repeatedly won distinction in various schools.

He received his diploma from the Ecole des Beaux Arts in '95. From 1897 to 1900 he was professor in charge of design at Cornell, leaving in 1900 to spend two years in European study and travel. During that time he visited Germany, Italy, Sicily, the Tyrol and Paris. Since taking charge of the College of Architecture in the autumn of 1902 he has done much to stimulate this study at Cornell, and will be deeply missed both as instructor in design and as head of the college.

Sibley College Banquet.

The students of Sibley College gave their first banquet at the Ithaca hotel on Monday evening, with more than two hundred men present. Clarence A. Dawley, '04, was toastmaster. The speakers were President Schurman, Acting Director Durand, Professor Carpenter, Professor Ryan, Professor Norris, S. G. Koon, '02; E. G. Eberhardt, '04; and Barrett Smith, '04.

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THE ORATORY OF SHAKESPEARE.

A Lecture by Frederick Warde.

A more interesting speaker than Frederick Warde seldom appears before a Cornell audience. What he says is not especially remarkable, and his manner is only that of the gentleman thoroughly at home on the platform. But Mr. Warde has that with which Heaven has not endowed every man—a remarkable personality. Consequently what interests him is bound to interest his audience, whether it be Shakespeare or public speaking.

Add to this the careful study of Shakespeare in which Mr. Warde is known to have been engaged for many years, and it is not hard to understand his immense popularity as an interpreter of Shakespearean rôles and as a lecturer on the study of the great dramatist.

On Wednesday, April 27th, the second time he has lectured at Cornell, Mr. Warde spoke on "The Oratory of Shakespeare." While oratory has not been neglected in our schools and colleges, they have frequently failed to turn out even passably capable public speakers, to say nothing of orators. The teaching of many so-called "elocutionists" is absolutely futile and ineffective, so artificial and even silly is their manner, and so utterly do they fail to teach clear and distinct enunciation. Now a young man who desires to learn the noble art of public speaking—and who is not called upon at some time or other to address his fellows?—should go not to the Del Sarte teacher but to Shakespeare. In Hamlet's advice to the players is epitomised the whole art of the effective orator. Put this into practice and you cannot fail to make an agreeable impression upon your audience.

But Shakespeare has not left us merely this compressed treatise on the orator's art; he has imbedded in his plays some matchless orations. For simple words, short sentences, conciseness, sincerity, study Brutus's speech over the body of Cæsar; for a specimen of subtle, diplomatic oratory, go to the misnamed oration of Antony—which is not a eulogy but a most skillful argument against the conspirators and for Mark Antony; for an example of the flowery speech of the Orient, which is yet direct, sincere, and effective, study Othello's reply to his accusers on the charge of witchcraft. Reverence and deep feeling are exhibited in Richmond's prayer in Richard III; the effect of climax in the pleading address of Henry V, act iii., scene i; and the eloquence which women may achieve, in the superb eulogy of mercy uttered by Shakespeare's most perfect of women, Portia, in behalf of her husband's imperiled friend.

As Mr. Warde spoke the lines in question one need not add that

the whole scene was easily imagined. The lecturer disappeared and in his place stood Antony, Brutus, Othello. So good an example is Mr. Frederick Warde of what the study of Shakespeare will do toward making a powerful orator.

C. S. N.

A Chance for Cornell Students—Makers of "Goo-goo" Eyes Need not Apply.

Here is a chance for Cornell men. The company having the roller chair concession at the St. Louis World's Fair has put out the following advertisement:

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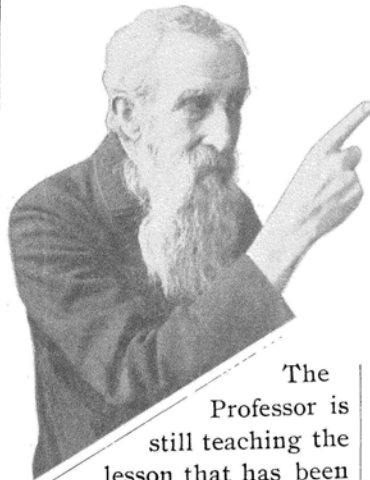
In Paris and Chicago and at Buffalo many college men did this sort of work, and people who claim to know, said that much money was made, and many romances grew out of the work. The statistics on this sort of thing have not yet been compiled by the News heeler, but the business would seem to have great possibilities in the line of romance. That the company is aware of this would appear from the published interview with one of its officers in which he says: "Although the company wishes to employ the brightest of the student population of the universities of the country, it wants men who can wheel chairs and talk engagingly to their fares without making 'goo-goo eyes' at the young girls."

College Presidents, as Seen by the Editor of the New York Times.

When all of New York State's college presidents except one enthusiastically agree in condemnation of a given course, it becomes lesser people to be very cautious about what they say on the subject unless, that is, the lesser people join their betters in the chorus of disapproval. Easy as it is to see that, the impulse does arise in some minds humbly to question whether all the college presidents but one are really and surely right. For college presidents are human, and even they have been known before now to have trouble in distinguishing between what they want and what they ought to have. They say to the Legislature: "Don't give Cornell money for an Agricultural School unless you do the something, or something 'equally as good,' for every one of us." And, as the Legislature heard no call to appropriate money for all the New York colleges, the heads of all of them except one are fiercely anxious that the one gets nothing. To make the case more interesting, the exceptional opinion as to the propriety of the appropriation for Cornell is held by—the head of Cornell! Yet President Schurman, according to common report, is a rather good man and fairly intelligent. Few

regard him as an enemy of the State's educational institutions, or as particularly prone to advance the interests of his own college at the expense of his competitors or associates in the noble task of feeding and training the brains of youth. The situation is a very trying one for modest observers. Reverence

pulls us one way and experience with the peculiarities of mortals when their private interests are involved drags us another. We can understand perfectly well why each college president should work hard for the means of increasing the facilities and the efficiency of his own college, but it hurts to see so many



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Changes in Football Rules.

At a recent meeting of the Football Rules Committee several really important changes were made in the regulations under which the game will be played next Fall. The most important change is that four men in addition to the quarter back may play behind the line. When this is done one of the five backs must play outside either end of the line. It was found last year that with seven men in the line a premium was put on heavy backs in offensive work. The new order of things, with the formation it permits, is expected to make light backs more useful.

A sensible change is that of reducing the value of a field goal from five to four points so that a field goal now is not worth as much as a touchdown. As to the quarter back run, it is now permissible in any part of the field, provided the quarter back runs five yards to the side from the snapper back. Penalties for violation requiring a distance penalty will be limited to five and fifteen yards.

In order that the umpire may be distinguished from the referee the umpire is to use a bell or horn instead of a whistle. If in a long run a foul is committed the run is to be allowed if the foul in no way interferes with the runner. Any deliberate attempt to draw an opponent offside is to be considered as delaying the game and the offending team will be penalized five yards.

On interference with a fair catch the offended side may have fifteen yards and put the ball in play from a scrimmage, or have five yards and a free kick. Another change provides that when a team is forced to bring the ball out from a touchback or safety and the ball is twice kicked out of bounds, opponents must put it in play from the 35-yard line instead of the 25-yard line, as formerly. On a punt out after a touchdown the opposing

team must stand not closer than fifteen yards to the punter.

Interscholastic Track Meet at Percy Field on May 30th.

Entry blanks for the annual Interscholastic track meet given by the Cornell University Athletic Association have been sent to about 80 schools. The list includes all the leading preparatory and high schools in the East, and many of the better known schools in the Middle West.

This meet is intended to take the place of the track meet formerly held by the schools in the Interscholastic League which was disbanded last June. The former members of this league which were strong in track athletics are expected to enter the meet as usual this year, and it is expected that several additional schools which have never before entered a Cornell meet and which are strong in track men, will shortly decide to send representatives. Syracuse high school, which has not sent a team to Ithaca in several years, will be represented this year, and Colgate academy, which made such a good showing last June will again send a strong team. St. Paul's school, Garden City, is to have men in the meet although the manager has not yet sent official notice to that effect. Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, is another school which has never had a team here, but which is likely to be represented this year.

The meet is to be held on the 30th of May, as that was thought to be a good time to show Cornell to the visitors to advantage. Some of the teams will probably arrive on Saturday in time to see the boat race with Harvard, and the baseball game with Pennsylvania, and probably all the schools will have their men here in time to witness the baseball game between Michigan and Cornell on the morning of the 30th. Practically all the fraternities have agreed to entertain from four to eight men during the days of the meet, so that the prep school men will have no hotel expenses to pay while in Ithaca.



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