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A Message From France.

Dear Editors of The Campus:—

The words of your good wishes are before me here in a narrow street in Paris. The sky has been overcast almost continuously since I reached France nearly a fortnight ago, but such cordial expressions as have followed me from the College make one indifferent to the state of the skies.

I enclose a report of my presence here, which will tell you that even the French reporter was able to understand, despite my defective speech, that I care for the College of whose life you make weekly record.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN H. FINLEY.

Professor Herbermann, Septuagenarian

Last Thursday was the joyful occasion of the seventieth birthday of Professor Herbermann. He was given an enthusiastic reception by all his classes, while later in the day, the Faculty adopted resolutions congratulating him. Ten years ago, upon the event of Professor Herbermann's sixtieth birthday, he was tendered a dinner by the members of the Faculty and the whole instructing staff. The menu, the names of the foodstuffs of which Professor Burke had ingeniously translated into ancient Latin, still lingers fresh in the memory of those who partook of it.

THE CAMPUS takes this opportunity to congratulate Professor Herbermann and to wish him many more happy years of activity at the College.

AMBASSADE DE FRANCE
A
WASHINGTON

Mon cher Président et jeune ami:

Je suis très flatté de l'honneur que vous et vos camarades voulez bien me faire et que j'accepte très volontiers.

Je fais des vœux pour le succès de votre cercle. Les membres, qui ont décidé de lui donner mon nom sauront, je n'en doute pas, maintenant et toujours, s'inspirer de ce qu'il y a de meilleur dans le pays que je représente. Ils puiseront dans l'étude des oeuvres de ses lettrés et de ses penseurs, en même temps que cette intelligence des choses de beauté qui embellissent la vie, le goût d'une morale rigide, le sentiment de la famille, l'amour du pays, tout ce qui fait d'utiles citoyens. Quand on mène ainsi des vies honorables, de labeur consciencieux, en y faisant, dans la mesure qu'on peut, une part pour le travail désintéressé, pour travail qui aide le voisin ou qui aide la communauté plus que soi-même, on est à peu près sûr de mener, en même temps, des vies heureuses.

Recevez, mon cher Président, avec mes remerciements, l'expression de mes sentiments les plus dévoués.

JUSSERAND.

Monsieur Israel Weinstein,
Président du "Cercle Jusserand",
The College of the City of New York.

A Complaint.

It has come to the notice of the Bulletin Board Committee of the Student Council, of which A. Feldman, III, is chairman, that of late, a number of signs have been removed from the boards and wantonly destroyed. The unrightful mutilation of these signs constitutes an act which is punishable by expulsion. The Committee informs us that it will not stop at any drastic measure to maintain the respectability of the bulletin boards. The Committee further asks that the entire student body aid them in suppressing the nuisance of which they complain. Those who post signs ought to be assured that their notices will remain untampered with, as long as these bear the sanction of the Committee.

The Death of General Tremain.

In the death of General Henry Edwin Tremain of the Class of 1860, last Friday morning, the College lost one of its most loyal alumni and staunchest supporters, Throughout his student career General Tremain was in the honor class. He was also president of Phrenocosmia. In the War, he distinguished himself as a fighter, and his bravery was commended by Gen. Hooker and others under whom he fought. Upon the recommendation of General Sheridan, the rank of Colonel was conferred upon him, and later he was promoted to Brigadier General. Congress recognized his services by presenting him with several medals. After the War he engaged in law practice and in 1873 became United States District Attorney. As an author, lawyer and politician, he was well known. For the unusually long term of four years he acted as president of the Associated Alumni and he was always very much attached to the College. Recently, he donated the sum of five thousand dollars, the interest upon which constitutes a prize for the best essay concerning the "Causes, Conduct and Conclusion of the Civil War." His loyalty to Alma Mater will ever stand as inspiration to its students, while his loss will be deeply felt by his many friends among our Faculty and Alumni.

At Four.

Among the numbers of Professor Baldwin's program for this afternoon are *Kamennoi Ostrow* by Rubinstein, Handel's *Largo* and the Good Friday Music from Wagner's *Parisfal*.

A Surprise.

No assembly has been arranged for to-day. For next week, however, an excellent program is in preparation, the numbers to be for the most part musical. It has been rumored, too, that a very agreeable surprise is in store for the students. What that is, or whence it comes, we cannot say—just now.

To-day's assembly hour will offer an excellent opportunity for the holding of class and committee meetings.

"Mike"

The editors of the 1912 *Microcosm* are working like bees in their endeavor to publish a book better even than this year's annual. They are anxious to make the book as all-collegiate as they can, and they ask, therefore, for art, literary and other contributions from all classes. Subscriptions are now being taken by David R. Bernstein, '12, Business Manager.

Of The Faculty.

Through the efforts of Professor Downer, arrangements have been made whereby tickets may be secured at reduced rates for the performances of Sarah Bernhardt. Heartly thanks are due our professor for this treat.

Mr. Hutchinson of the Drawing Department is ill with typhoid fever.

Last Saturday in the Physics Lecture Hall, the Physics Club of New York held its regular meeting. After an inspection of the laboratories and equipment of the Physics Department, papers were read on "Color Photography" and the "Determination of the Gravitational Constant," by Messrs. Goldsmith and Wetzel, respectively.

Thanks To The Glee Club.

THE CAMPUS is thankful to the Glee Club for its kindness in helping to secure the songs published in supplement form to-day.

ATHLETICS.

To-Night.

The great and burning question of the day will be settled on the basket-ball court to-night. Everybody is on edge for the big event and *everybody* will be there. Groups of students can be heard anxiously discussing the relative merits of our team and of Yale's. Confidence in our team has grown greatly during the past few weeks, and it is the firm opinion of Coach Palmer that the boys will justify that confidence to-night, and the players themselves are keyed up to a pitch that bodes ill for Yale's end of the score. Every man on the squad is in the pink of condition. The coach has done his level best and the result of his work will be seen to-night. The precision, the exactness and the wonderful speed of the team will surprise many. Every advantage is in our favor. We are to play on our home court; we have hundreds of loyal rooters, trained rooters, who are going to take the roof off the gym and keep it off. The team has had over two months of steady and well-directed practice, and the players are all veterans. And there you are! We need only walk in, tap the bulldog on the back and be ready to accept congratulations.

And don't forget that there's going to be a pretty little preliminary game. The Freshman team intends to show Boys' High a few points about basket-ball, although the latter have been coached by Mr. Gemson, formerly of our gym staff.

Au revoir until to-night. Oil your voices well before coming to the game and come prepared to see your team carry off the honors.

December 23rd.

An opportunity will be furnished 'on December 23rd for men to show their class spirit. An interclass swimming meet will be run off on that date, which, by the way, is the last day before the Christmas Holidays. The events will be a 50, a 100 and a 220-yard dash, a fancy dive, a plunge and an interclass relay.

A. A. Board Change.

At the meeting of the Executive Board last Friday Edgar L. Kost, February 1912, tendered his resignation as treasurer of the Athletic Association. Kost, who was assistant treasurer last year and later secretary, and had been elected treasurer last May, took this action owing to the pressure of other work. He contemplates commencing the study of forestry in February and is at present pursuing studies along that line which make it impossible for him to serve as treasurer. Hugh Mahan, '12, until now assistant baseball manager, was appointed acting treasurer by the board to fill Mr. Kost's place until the election of treasurer which will take place at a meeting of the board on Friday, December 16th. Nominations from 1912 men will be received up to that time.

Not to mention names, some men *are* coming out for swimming practice.

Debutantes.

To-night the youngsters will make their *début* and they are going to shoot into popular favor. Kostiuk,— no we beg your pardon, Captain Kostiuk and the rest of the team are in great fighting trim, thanks to the efforts of Coach Williamson. The men will have need of all the tricks they have learned, for they are to meet the best high-school teams of the city. The schedule includes seven games. However, one or two more will probably be added.

The schedule :

- December 14—Boys' High School.
- " 24—Newton High School.
- January 7—De Witt Clinton H. S.
- " 27—Mt. Vernon H. S. at Mt. Vernon.
- February 4—Commerce H. S.
- " 16—Townsend Harris Hall.
- " 22—Manual Training H. S.

An Incident.

A little incident occurred at the gym last week, that is worthy of note. Mr. Williamson, who is coaching the Freshman team, asked several Freshmen to help him clear the gym floor for practice. They all immediately disappeared, showing a sad lack of loyalty to their class team and a poor sense of humor.

A union is being formed for the purpose of escaping to-morrow's zeros. The cause of the agitation is said to be a certain athletic contest which is to take place this evening. We wonder what it is.

A water polo squad is training regularly. Practice takes place Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4.15 P. M., and more men are wanted.

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A Suggestion To Freshmen.



In supplement form we issue to-day a collection of songs which every loyal City College student should know. One of the important criticisms directed against us by visiting teams, has been the woeful lack of "musical cheering" When a team is fighting against odds, when it is exhausted by the strain of hard physical and mental effort, nothing is more likely to restore life to it and urge it on to victory than a good old college song— even more so than a cheer. It acts as a wonderful tonic. For this reason we urge each man to learn to sing these songs; besides, "it will gladden his heart and develop his lungs".

To the Freshmen particularly, is this appeal made. Once learned and learned well, the college songs will linger in memory for years. An opportunity such as this, whereby the Freshmen may show a real love for their College, a sincere anxiety to see Alma Mater victorious, will not present itself soon again, perhaps. Besides let our Freshmen continue the good work by compelling every man of "1915" to know the college songs under penalty

of ostracism. This will also instil a worthy aim into Freshman-Sophomore "hostility".

The Worst Yet.

FOR the last few weeks, a score or more Sophomores have been making it a practice to swoop down upon isolated students in the concourse and forcibly throw them head-foremost into the wicker waste baskets. A crisis was reached last Friday afternoon. It was about three o'clock. The concourse was practically deserted. In the February 1911 alcove, an upper Senior, who holds perhaps the most honored student position in the College, was sneakily attacked by this gang of Sophomores and pitched into a basket near at hand. When the incident was over he was suffering from a serious abrasion of the forehead and an unsightly blood mark under the right eye. But this horde of tiger spirited rowdies, their baser selves exalted by the sight of hoodlum mischief, moved to another alcove, where, in the same cowardly way, they attacked an Upper Junior. As a result of the affray, he suffered a sprained fore-arm, which, later in the day, nearly proved the cause of a serious street car accident.

The case against these ruffians is clear enough. They are sophomores, but they are *not* men of "1913". They cast discredit upon the fair name and noble ideals of "1913." Not only that, but they reflect dishonor upon the College and upon their fellow students by whom they are tolerated. Such acts as these merit no more lenient rebuke than suspension or expulsion.

THE CAMPUS which has always stood for fairness and above all, manliness, publishes the names of these students—they are Nagelberg, and Victor, *et alii*, enrolled with the Class of 1913,—so that the Executive Council and the whole College, may know them as they are.

"The Student Council is the missing link" said a Great Hall orator last week. We wonder how that could have escaped the attention of the Biological Society.

Unconservative Views on Conservation

"Happiness will come not through the regulation of the consumption, but through the regulation of the actual process of labor." In his address on "The Relation of Law to Social Welfare," at Cooper Union, Professor Guthrie announced this important principal, which in its essence, is, so far as we know, entirely original. Our professor goes a step further than Professor Patten's theory of Pleasure Economy, and entirely opposes his theory of Pain Economy. Law, said Professor Guthrie, is the expression of the ideals of the community at any one time, and records the course of progress. Since a large part of our lives is spent in industrial activity, it is of utmost importance that the time be spent fairly pleasantly and with the social welfare in view. If the enormous amount of legislation directed towards the problem of the consumption of wealth were employed in solving the problem of labor, greater happiness would result and toil would become a pleasure and not a curse.

In discussing the conservation of our resources, Professor Guthrie said that we had no right to waste the patrimony of future generations and asserted that since the year 1820 we have used $7\frac{1}{2}$ billion tons of coal and wasted 9 billions of tons. Conservation is the debt we owe the future, and law should regulate it now. He advised our adopting the German method in solving the problem. In concluding, Professor Guthrie somewhat startled his hearers by declaring the Supreme Court to be fossilized. He attacked its recent decision in the case of Müller vs. the State of Oregon which was so ably argued by Louis D. Brandeis of railroad conservation fame; and he accused our highest tribunal of assuming functions which pertain entirely to the legislature.

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Just Observing.

One of our Seniors was paying an observation visit to an Evening School class for foreigners. A very observant young teacher, a recent graduate presumably, approached him, stood awed a moment by his uncommonly intelligent look, and then asked good naturedly—"Eh, eh, how long have you been in this country?"



Under the supervision of Professor Diehlman, a group of seniors visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art last Friday afternoon. We should hardly dare call this "practical art", out of respect for the aesthetic tastes of our dear professor.

The Christmas number of *Mercury* will appear next Tuesday with a mounted supplement. Virginius will snickeringly review some books *supposed* to have been written by our professors. Other features will be an exciting basketball story by the author of "Big Bill" and an article on "The College and the Curriculum".

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T. H. H. NOTES

Erasmus 16—T. H. H. 8.

In the College gym., last Friday, the first basketball game of the season was lost to Erasmus. Both teams started rather tamely but gradually steamed up. The first two goals were made by Harris. Auster did all the scoring in the first half for Erasmus, the score ending 8—5 in the Brooklynites' favor. The second half was a great defensive game for T. H. H. Penalties for fouls, sixteen of which were called on Harris, proved the main factor in the defeat.

Considering that the team is only organized a week, and that little opportunity was afforded our boys for practice, the game was well fought.

The line-up:

T. H. H.

Greenburg	Left Forward	ERASMUS
Rost	Right Forward	Crespi, MacMath
Jauss	Centre	Evans
Halpern	Left Guard	Auster
Kriel	Right Guard	Steinbugher
Goals from field—Evans (2), Roast, Kriel, MacMath and Auster.		Stover

Goals from foul—Auster (8), Greenberg (4).

Referee—Cronin, C. C. N. Y. Time of halves—15 minutes.

The Erasmus midgets won the preliminary game by the score of 22—4. The Harris juniors did not cover up well. Frequent opportunities were given them to score but owing to their nervousness, they failed to take advantage. With more practice, the team should prove a worthy contender against future opponents.

A Banquet Coming.

The banquet committee of the A class, is busy making arrangements for a class reunion. A call for subscriptions will be issued shortly.

Friday Night.

This Friday night, in the college pool, we meet De Witt Clinton in a swimming match. Here is an opportunity for Harris rooters to come out, and help their team submerge those water boys from 59th Street.

Some class to the "1915" alcove! Good beginning fellows; keep it up.

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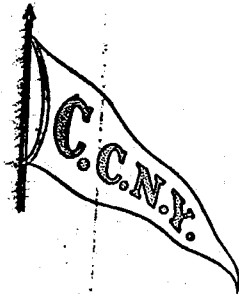
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