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The President's Reply.



RESIDENT FINLEY made the most beautiful and touching speech of his career last Wednesday in response to the gift of the book of resolutions presented to him by the students as a token of their esteem for him.

"I have been able to stand up against all of it but that last word. I, as you see, have difficulty in concealing from you what is within.

"A few days ago Professor Baldwin brought down to me the proof of a program of one of his organ recitals, and through some error on the part of the printer, it was announced on this program that Professor Baldwin would deliver the baccalaureate address to the students of the graduating class and that Professor Finley would give the organ recital.

"I was not more startled by that than I was by the program which that beloved though accurate historian, Professor Johnston, slyly put upon my desk the other day, the program in which I found that I was supplanted: that I was not the presiding officer; that I was simply to make a response to—I knew not what. I could more easily play the "Largo" than make adequate response to what has actually been said. And I have been hearing the praise of this man, whom I have difficulty in identifying as myself. I have been wishing that my ancestors who gave me that name would hear all that has been said about one who bears it. I am told on credible authority, of course I like to believe it is credible, that my ancestors were, some of them, kings; that is, were chiefs of clans. But theirs were no such clans as this one is. I would back this clan against any of the clans of Scotland or anywhere else.

"Something has been said about ten years. Ten years: It seems to me that all my life has been lived here and that my other experiences belong to other incarnations. Professor Werner, have I not always known him? And have I not always known Professor Herbermann and Professor Tisdall and Professor Mott, and Professor Downer, and all of those seventy men (a few more or a few less) who were here, I suppose, when I came? It seems to me that this experience goes back to the beginning of things. There are only two persons in the College the beginning of whose acquaintances I can remember distinctly to-day, Professor Compton and Michael Bonney. The day I first went into that old building downtown, applying for admission unannounced, Michael said—"You are the new President," and I said—"Yes, I am to be"; and he said—"I know'd y' by your photograph," and I said—"It was a homely as the original." "Aw, na', indeed," said Michael.

"I know that that was not more than ten years ago, for ten years ago I was enjoying a professorial position in an academic environment where I had only four hours of teaching a week; and this place, as I afterward learned, was only a hole in the ground. Think of what has happened in ten years! Man has learned to fly, has learned to talk with his neighbor far away without the use of a wire, has learned to transplant tissue, has learned (Professor Baskerville will correct me if this is not true) to transmute the elements. But I think that here upon this hill has been wrought a miracle that will be as influential in the life of the City as any of these great miracles in the world outside. This place where the imagination is taught to fly (I heard a man say that this was one of the greatest flying machine factories in the world), this place where we do talk with the men of all ages, this place where mental tissue is almost literally transplanted, this place where (I am sorry you have not filled the remote spaces, I hoped to see the little fellows here to-day who are your special care) we transmute such ignorant, innocent little beings into such precious beings as you are! Here is the place of daily miracle, and I thank God that my lot has been cast in this place

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Conference on Immigrant Education.

President Finley is chairman of the committee which has arranged for a conference, on the education of the immigrant, which will be held at the college on Friday and Saturday. The first session will be held on Friday morning, on "Domestic Education for Immigrants," with Mrs. John Glenn as chairman. "The Immigrant Labor in Camps and Isolated Communities" is another subject which will be discussed, with Miss Frances A. Kellor as chairman. The Friday afternoon session will be concerned with the problem of the "Immigrant Child." Dr. William H. Maxwell will preside. In the evening there will be a public meeting in the Great Hall, in the course of which addresses will be made by speakers of national importance upon "Public Education of the Immigrant," "The Immigrant in America," "The Attitude of New York State toward the Immigrant" and "The Contribution of the Immigrant to America." There will be music at this meeting. The conference will close on Saturday with a session in the morning on "The Immigrant Adult." President Finley will preside at this final session. The conference will be held under the auspices of the New York and New Jersey Committee of the North American Civic League for Immigrants.

Student Council Reception.

The Student Council has appointed a committee to arrange for a reception to the Faculty. A committee also has been appointed to obtain the use of the gymnasium on Saturday afternoons for the students. Professor Storey favors the idea, and, if the plan is favorable to the president, the Board of Trustees will be asked for an appropriation for janitorial service.

"Commerce with Latin America" is the title of the address to be given to the class in International Commerce by Mr. Frederick Brown, Secretary of the Pan-American Society of the United States, on Monday, May 19 at 9 A. M. in room 309.

Results of Prize Speaking Contest.

Harry Rotkowitz, '14, was awarded first prize, that given by the Board of Trustees, for the best oration last Friday evening. His oration was entitled "A Cure for Crime." Charles G. Christiano, '14, won the Drummond prize with his declamation on "Giralamo Savonarola." Hyman L. Schwartz, '13, was given the prize offered by Thomas W. Churchill, '82, a set of books, with "Our Government."

David Karowsky, '15, was awarded the Roemer prize for the best poetry declamation. His selection was Miller's "Como."

The scene of the contest was reminiscent of the former grandeur of Prize Speaking Night. Faculty members were seated on the platform and sections of seats were reserved for various groups, societies, alumni and fraternities. President Finley introduced Mr. Churchill, who presided. The judges of the evening were Professor A. L. Bouton of New York University, Professor Henry W. Smith of the Princeton Theological Seminary, and Professor Azubah Latham of Teachers' College. Professor Baldwin played selections on the organ, which were well received, especially his last selection, Wagner's "Walhalla Scene."

High School Day.

Extensive preparations are being made by the High School committee to make a successful day of Saturday, which is to be High School Day. The program will be entertaining and instructive to the delegates of the various high schools who want to find out something about the college. From 4 to 6 P. M. there will be an inspection of the buildings. From 6 to 7.30 P. M. the delegates will dine and afterward be received by President Finley in the Great Hall. To conclude the day's program a performance of "The Critic" will be given by the Dramatic Society in the Great Hall.

"Paper and its Manufacture" was the title of an interesting lecture given by Mr. Chas. Little, an authority on this subject, before a large audience last Friday afternoon in the Doramus Lecture Theatre.

ATHLETICS.

\$10 For Posters.

Here's a chance for some of our budding artists to make a little money and to gain much renown.

The management of the Faculty-Senior baseball game offers the following prizes for posters advertising the event :

For the best poster by a college student, \$2.50; for the second best poster, \$1.50, and for the third \$1.00. Prizes of \$2.50, \$1.50 and \$1.00 are offered for the 3 best posters made by T. H. H. students also. The conditions of the contest, set by Prof. Dielman are these :

The poster must be effective and bear the following lettering :

"Faculty - Senior Baseball Game, Friday, May 23, 3.30 P. M., Lenox Oval, 145th Street and Lenox Avenue."

Also an appropriate decorative device. Size not to exceed 18x24 inches. Posters must be handed to Prof. Dielman not later than Friday.

The winners of this contest will be determined by ballot. Blank ballots will appear in next week's "Campus." The posters will be displayed in the Lincoln Corridor on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 19, 20 and 21. The ballot box will be in the Lincoln Corridor from 9 to 12 on Wednesday, and the winners announced in the "Campus" of May 28. Any member of the Art Department will be glad to aid by suggestions students desiring to go into this contest.

The Faculty-Senior Game.

Believe Coach Holton, the game this year between the Profs and the Seniors is to be the best ever. 1913 will have to get on the job if they expect to grab the large end of the score when they meet the Faculty at Lenox Oval, 145th Street and Lenox Avenue on the twenty-third of May. By now the Faculty are pretty well versed in the gentle art of playing baseball, and as they face a green team every year, they expect a victory this time. Captain Fuentes is at the head of this nine. Coach

Holton is manager. We are told that the professorial attendance at practice approaches perfection and that at present they are trying hard to carry out "Jackie" Gellespie's admonition, "Pep up, boys! and take the lilacs out of your whiskers!"

Jot it down then, in your little book. The Faculty-Senior game, Friday, May 23, 3.30 P. M. at Lenox Oval, 145th Street and Lenox Avenue.

In Columbia Meet.

Our Freshman suffered defeat at the hands of the first year men at Columbia on South Field on Friday, May 2. Moonan's work is worthy of special mention. He finished first in the 100-yard dash—time 10 $\frac{2}{5}$ seconds—and in the 220—time 23 $\frac{2}{5}$ seconds. Drake took second in the 880 and in the shot-put and third in the 120-yard hurdle. Our other points were made on third places by Frank in the 440, Rhimback in the mile, Schulman in the 220 hurdles, Eidt in the high jump and Weinfeld in the shot-put. The final point score was Columbia Freshmen 68, C. C. N. Y. Freshman 22.

C. C. N. Y. took second place in the Intercollegiate games for the championship of Greater New York on Saturday, May 3.

Dutch Schaffer came in second in the mile in 4 minutes and 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ seconds, thus establishing a new record for C. C. N. Y.

Moonan got third in the 100—as much as could be expected after his good work for the Freshmen the day before. Havender took second in both jumps (high and broad). Scarlata finished second in the two-mile, Tabor was third in the 220 hurdles, Schloss got third in the high jump.

The results do not show how closely contested the contests were. Our showing was better than appears from this summary. The final point score was:

Columbia	82	Manhattan	11
C. C. N. Y.	20	St. John's	3

Stevens To-day.

This is our ball team's busy week. Yesterday, provided all things were favorable, they played N. Y. U. on Ohio Field.

To-day Stevens comes over from Hoboken to return our visit there some time ago. This afternoon the nine hopes to even up accounts.

On Saturday we travel to Rutgers, "on the banks of the old Raritan." It is quite a trip to New Brunswick, and let's hope a bunch of rooters go along to cheer the team.

Phreno Comes Back.

The Phrenocosmians returned, as it were (slang for came back), last week and evened up their series with Clio. Each society has won a game and the rubber will be some contest.

Kraus was the little star that shone for Phreno, who held the Clionians to three runs. Lesem Gassaway Bach twirled for Clio. He pitched a good game, but his support was so ragged it resembled the old red flannel shawl that mother wore.

Phreno	1	0	3	1	2	1	0-8
Clio	0	1	0	1	0	0	1-3

Batteries—For Phreno, Kraus and Furman; for Clio, Bach and Rosowsky.

Faculty Handballers Beaten.

Prexy was not stringing the diners at last Wednesday's luncheon when he handed out that talk about being there in the game of handball with Professor Storey as his side-kick against any two students who might venture into the lion's mouth. Emanuel Obstfeld, '13, and Alfred M. Kuhn, '13, took him up on his own terms and made their dignified opponents throw up the sponge after getting two games out of three—5-21, 21-16, 21-20. The last game was a peach, so say the quartet. Prexy wants it distinctly understood that his side scored more points than the students, 61 as against 47, so it was a moral victory, anyway.

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Oliver Twist Revived.



"WANT SOME MORE!" This is the slogan the College *felt* last Wednesday after the luncheon in the gymnasium. Of course, we want more luncheon, but the cry is not for food. It is the cry for more gatherings of this sort where Faculty and students are mingled together promiscuously outside of the recitation room. The "family" party last week did more to further the College in its quest for the real social life than did all the Great Hall assemblies (with due appreciation of President Finley's efforts), at which the French Ambassador, the German Ambassador and sundry others favored us with their presence and put us all on our company manners. True, they helped to gain *student* solidarity, but what is that slight advance compared to the more valuable *college* spirit and unity that came from the luncheon. Without reserve, we say that the luncheon was absolutely the most successful *assembly* held in the College in at least the past four years. If

only this idea is put into practice more often and more regularly, we shall be able to boast of the *finest* college spirit in ten counties. We have hit on the right plan at last. "We Want Some More!"

Teachers' Association Meeting Correction.

The report of the meeting of the Teachers' Association as given in last week's CAMPUS needs to be corrected in two important particulars. Mention should have been made of a prolonged discussion of pedagogical topics proposed by the Committee on methods of Teaching. The CAMPUS regrets that the quotation at the end of the article was incorrect as to form and substance, and was entirely out of harmony with the spirit of the meeting, and needless to add, of the Association.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Wednesday, May 14.

4.00 P. M.—Baseball—Stevens vs. City College, Jasper Oval.

4.00 P. M.—Organ recital by Professor Baldwin.

Friday, May 16.

10.00 A. M.—First session of conference on Immigrant education.

3.30 P. M.—Second session of conference.

8.15 P. M.—Public Meeting in Great Hall.

8.30 P. M.—Phrenocosmia smoker, lunch room.

8.30 P. M.—Clionia trials for debate and election of officers.

Saturday, May 17.

10.00 A. M.—Final session of conference.

4.00 P. M.—Baseball—Rutgers vs. City College at New Brunswick.

4.00 P. M.—High School Day—Inspection of Buildings.

6.00 P. M.—Dinner to High School delegates.

7.30 P. M.—Reception by President Finley in Great Hall.

8.15 P. M.—Performance of "The Critic" by Dramaic Society, for High School delegates.

Sunday, May 18.

4.00 P. M.—Organ recital by Professor Baldwin.

Society Notes.

Phrenocosmia is planning a smoker for Friday Evening to which it has invited many of the alumni. An elaborate musical program has been prepared and the evening will be wiled away in drinks, smokes and anecdote.

The Adelpian Literary Society will hold its election of officers this Friday evening at the last formal meeting of the term. Several seniors will deliver addresses before the members on topics of vital interest. The Friday following is slated for its sociable.

Information concerning the various college societies is wanted by James B. McPherson '14, who is editing the new Y. M. C. A. Handbook.

New Courses For Next Term.

A bulletin issued from the Dean's office announcing the courses for next term, shows some interesting additions to the curriculum. The new courses in Art will be: Advanced Descriptive Geometry and Mechanical Rendering, two terms, with 2 credits each and 4 hours. In Chemistry there will be a course in Advanced Organic Chemistry (Elect, 3 credits, 7 hours.) A course in the Education of Exceptional Children (Elective, 3 credits, 3 hours) will be offered by Dr. Heckman. No new courses are offered in the English department. Goethe's works will be studied in German 4 (Elective, $3\frac{1}{2}$ credits, 4 hours); the Novel and Poetry will be known as German 10 (Elective 3 credits, 3 hours); Advanced Composition will be German 12 (Elective, 2 credits, 2 hours.) The Philosophy department offers the following new courses: Social and Political Philosophy (Elective, 3 credits, 3 hours); Experimental Psychology (Elective, 3 credits, five hours) and the Psychology of Efficiency (Elective, 3 credits, 4 hours). Technical Electricity and Technical Mechanics (each 3 credits), and Radio-communication (3 credits, 6 hours) are the new Physics courses. A course in Statistics (3 credits, 3 hours) will be offered by Professor Woolston in the Political Science department.

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"I have had no intimation of what was to be said by the speakers and I have not had conceit enough to guess that they would say what they have said. I have only had the consciousness of shortcoming, a consciousness which would have suggested that you should not hold such a meeting as this, at any rate, in celebration of the completion of these years, because I am conscious of what has not been done and I do not care to have it emphasized, much as I have enjoyed, beyond the power of an expression, what has been said here by those representing the trustees, the alumni, the faculty and the students. I can say only this in response, and a response (those who have studied Latin know) a response is a re-promise,—and I make it in the words of St. Paul, who said: "I count not myself to have achieved; but this one thing I do; forgetting those things which are behind and reaching out to those things which are before, I press forward the mark for the prize of my high calling." And what higher calling can there be than that which has come to us here? A man down in the lower end of the town said to me last week, "If you were to put the energy and the pertinacity (or something of that sort) into business that you have put into the College work, you would be a rich man; instead of which, one of these days you will, at the end of your task, have, perhaps, some words of thanks, with some criticisms, and you will go out." Very likely. But he could not appreciate the riches that I enjoy now and which can never be taken away. This book which has come to me, it is a partial list of my stocks and bonds. I have a share, in a sense, (it is a pretty small one), a share in the life of every boy who goes out from this place. And I would rather have what I have here (I don't know how many names there are, I suppose a thousand names) I would rather have that than a thousand shares of United States Steel Preferred. That is, for myself. Of course, if I had a thousand shares of United States Steel Preferred, or Lackawanna, or some other stock I hear spoken of once in a while. I know

what I would do with them. I would put it out there (pointing to the Stadium site) or out there (pointing to the Library site). I hope that President Wilson and Mr. Underwood would never subject to the income tax the satisfactions that I have from such stocks and bonds as these, because if those satisfactions were subject to an income tax. I should have to resign my place in the City College and go out and earn a large salary somewhere else in order to pay my taxes.

"Well, after all, forget, please, that this is the anniversary, or approximately the anniversary of my coming to the College. Remember only that this is the birthday of your College, and what is now my College. I read some time ago of a man who was celebrating his golden wedding, and somebody, noticing the absence of the wife, said, "But where is your wife?" "Oh, she doesn't count, she is my third wife." And so I really don't count, Mr. Burchard. This is the sixty-sixth anniversary of the founding of the College. I am simply the third husband in this great celebration. Remember gratefully that this College has lived sixty-six years. Remember that this College is going to live, not merely sixty-six years more, or a hundred years more, but probably centuries and centuries more. And it will be forgotten that we have been here.

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day. I wish I could call them all by name. I wish that we might set apart one day in the year for each man here, so that to-morrow would be Professor Werner's day, and the next day would be Professor Hebermann's day and the next Professor Tisdall's day, and so on down to the last teacher. We have enough days in which to celebrate them all. I congratulate this College on this splendid body of eager minds that have gathered here. I congratulate this College on her able trustees. I congratulate this College on her devoted alumni. There are a few other things, but there is one thing in particular that I wish for the College in giving her my congratulations. I wish that she had a better President. I suppose it could not be arranged to get one just off-hand, but as we cannot have him immediately, then I will wish that the President she does have will be more efficient, more wise, more considerate, from this day forward.

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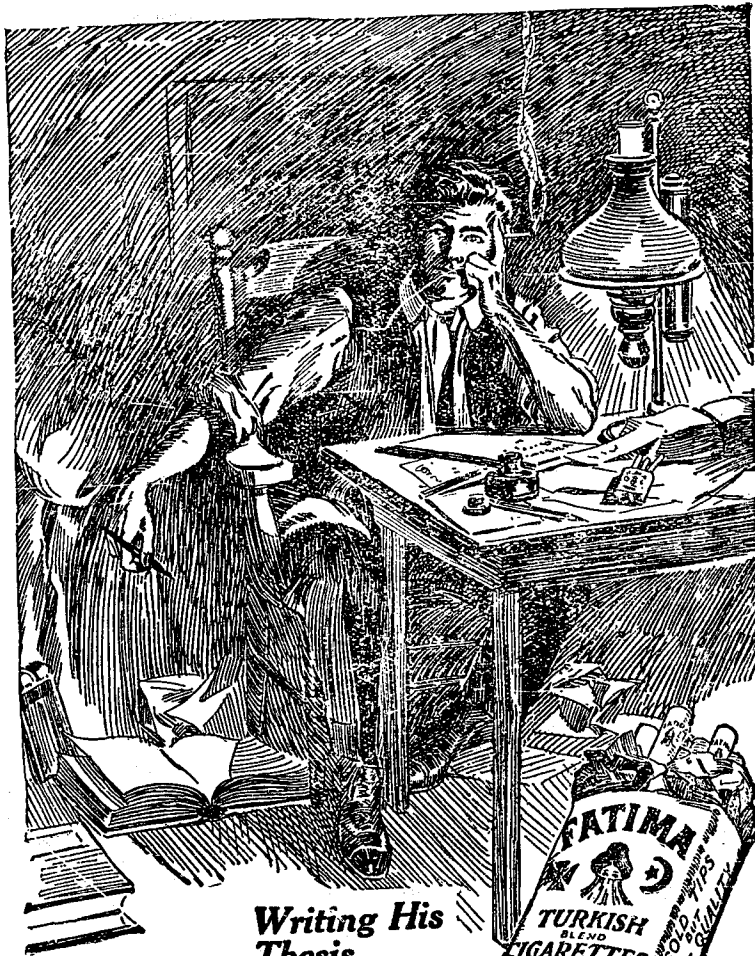
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