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EDITORIAL.

On Saturday, the 11th of January, at four o'clock in the afternoon, the Theodore Sterling Room was formally opened by the Committee who have this room in their keeping. All the students and members of the Faculty were present and light refreshments were served. Dr. Hall, in a speech of welcome on behalf of the Committee, made many splendid points as to the purpose and aims of the Theodore Sterling Room. The affair was delightfully informal, students and Faculty mingling with an air of ease and comradely, that was gratifying in the extreme. Towards the end of the afternoon, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Dempsey, and President Peirce dropped in. The last named made a clever and witty speech, which of course was expected and which of course was received with vigorous and generous applause.

The opening of this room is more than a passing event in the round of affairs during the collegiate year. It is a distinct step towards the realization of a goal which we have all longed to cross. For years we have needed a place where all the students in College could gather informally and on common ground, and the room just recently opened most adequately fills this long felt need. As Dr. Peirce said, the Theodore Sterling Room is the only place in College where Professors can meet the students other than in an official capacity. We wish that some informative affair might be held here at least once a month; either the Committee in charge could entertain and place a very light tax on each man in College in order to meet the expenses, or better still, each of the constitutional divisions might take their turn in receiving informally. Inquiries have been made, and it has been found that the consensus of opinion is favorable to some such plan as we have suggested. It only remains for the detail to be worked out.

A word in explanation of the governing of the Theodore Sterling Room: Seven men, representing the constitutional divisions of College, acting with three members of the Faculty, Dr. Smythe, Dr. Newhall, and Dr. Hall, have entire control of the affairs of this room. It can be used for almost any purpose,—class meetings, college organizations, in fact, for all such purposes that require a room which will comfortably seat some twenty to thirty men. Through the generosity of a number of Alumni and under the personal supervision of Dr. Smythe, the room has been furnished in a manner so attractive and tasteful that we doubt very much if any of the parlors about College surpass it, either in comfort or in perfect good taste.

The room was named in honor of Dr. Sterling, former President of the College and now Dean of the Academic Department. It was felt that no more appropriate name could be chosen than the name of the man who has loved and labored for Kenyon, one whose life has been spent in doing good. May this room achieve the same honor that has come to Dr. Sterling.

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The Literary Number is assuming form; the form is shadowy to be sure, yet the faint outlines of this cherished hope are growing more vivid as the days go by. Up to date, several creditable contributions have been received,—many more are needed and a few more expected. The men and the material are here; it but remains for those who have the talent to apply it on behalf of a most worthy object. Thus far, Freshmen have been the main-stay of our hopes. Of the literature, none has favored us with a line. Come, some of you fellows, who claim Kipling, Stevenson, Lang, et al., as your intimate friends, put a few comparisons down on paper—just to see if you really do appreciate your pet author. We must have help.
THIS issue will appear examination week and we wish it were possible for the Collegian to discover for the fellows some sort of magic "skin" that would enable them to "skin" the professors and "skin" through exams. As it is, we can give only a word of advice. Be prepared to get straight 4's; then if you do draw an ace or a deuce spot you will be agreeably surprised. So often when we are counting on 1's, the professor is seeing his conscience to give us a 3 or 4.

Keep the lamp burning till about midnight, turn into bed, then,—wander up to Rossie Hall—and conquer the Demon. Why it is the simplest and easiest thing in the world to take exams!

UNLESS the spirit grows apace, we shall feel it our duty to come out with that time honored editorial "On Spirit." It is a duty we shrink from for two reasons: it should not be necessary, and, probably would avoid nothing. That every generation persists in believing Kenyon spirit to be waning is not so strange, but when a generation knows this to be true, it is high time to take unto ourselves thought. The poor attendance at all kinds and descriptions of organized meetings is an ill omen. Think of it, thirty-four men present at the last Assembly meeting, twenty of whom were Freshmen. It was not like this in the olden days. Phi Pi and Nu Pi are begging for men, a mere handful out to a basket ball game—why, bless us, it is hard to get the men on this Board to attend stated, printed and posted meetings. Something about "tempora" and "mores" comes to us.

HOW refreshing the Prom. season will be! After the terrors of Black Week, one can so absolutely give himself up to the God Pleasure. The Juniors are capable fellows when it is a question of dances and "smokers;" it is safe to presume that the Seniors will be entertained on a scale comparable only to their dignity and importance!

IN response to bills, alumni subscriptions are pouring into the exchequer of the Collegian. We are grateful to those of you who have so promptly paid your $1.50. We always need the money. Many have neglected to perform this little duty; probably it is only an oversight. If anyone who has not sent money see these lines, let it serve him as a reminder that fifty $1.50's aggregate seventy-five dollars.

WHEN are the K's to be awarded—or if they have been awarded how soon may we expect the act of presentation to take place? Two months have rolled by since the football season closed. We have read in our exchanges of ceremonies concerning the giving of college letters all over Ohio, not to say the United States. Come, honored Executive Committee, aren't you going to give any K's this year? Kenyon had a splendid team and the boys certainly earned them—why not pay legally contracted debts?

DEATH OF REV. CASSIUS M. ROBERTS.

The Rev. Cassius M. Roberts, associate rector of the Church of the Savior, Philadelphia, Pa., died Tuesday afternoon of last week. He had suffered a stroke of paralysis while preaching in the church on December first, and a second stroke on Sunday, January fifth resulted fatally. The funeral was held from the Church of the Savior on Friday afternoon, and the service was read by Bishop Mackay-Smith, the Rev. Dr. J. Sanders Reed and the Rev. I. Newton Stanger. He was born in Ross County, Ohio, August 18, 1830, and was educated in private academies and Kenyon College from which he was graduated in 1878. He studied law and was admitted to the bar, but decided that he had a call to the ministry, and in 1891 gave up the practice of law to enter the Theological Seminary at Gambier, Ohio, from which he graduated in 1893. He was rector of Trinity Church, Troy, Ohio; Holy Trinity Church, Hartwell, Ohio, where he built a beautiful church; St. Timothy Church, Massillon, Ohio, where he also erected a new church. He was then called by the Rev. Dr. Bodine, who had known of his remarkable qualities of mind and heart, because the close connection between them when Dr. Bodine was chaplain of Kenyon College, to become associate rector of the Church of the Savior. This place he filled with signal ability, and he was able to attract large congregations, bringing into play the same characteristics which had made him successful as a lawyer. Brilliant in intellect, of a deeply spiritual nature, endowed with many talents, which he used for the glory of God and the good of his fellow-men, he was one of the most distinguished of the clergy of the city, well thought of and well beloved.

Interment was at Woodland Cemetery, Philadelphia, Pa., where the committal was said by the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Fischer.

(The Church Standard.)
RALPH KEELER, A. M., '62.

By Geo. B. Pratt, '62.

Ralph Keeler was one of the most unique figures that ever trod the "Middle Path" of Kenyon College. There was only one other student who could match him as a graceful walker, and that was Charlie Jones, of Columbus. When Ralph reached the end of the walk on the stone steps of the middle Division he would most likely turn around and give us boys the double shuffle of his "narrow minstrel" life, which had been spent for a time in the "Floating Palace" of the Mississippi, a steamboat plying up and down the river with a perfect auditorium, within which concerts of the real old "Cristie" style were given at different towns and cities situated by the side of the river. Of this life, I will write more particularly at a later date, if the Collegian will give me space.

One 22nd of February, in the old blue-pillar—hall of the Nu Pi Kappa Society, the Kenyon boys gave a concert for the benefit of Ralph, netting some $30, which meant bread and butter to the bravely struggling student. He sent off to Johnny Booker, his old manager, and got what was called the "togs." We blackened our faces and dressed up. Here is part of the programme:


Toledo was then his ostensible home. He was cast on to the world to shuffle for himself and he did it splendidly. Especially in the latter part of his life.

He wrote New Year's addresses for the Toledo Blade for a compensation. He once told me his greatest ambition was some day to write for the Atlantic Monthly. He lived to fulfill his ambition. When "Every Saturday," an illustrated newspaper was published in Boston, Ralph wrote the articles of an itinerant journey up and down the Mississippi River from New Orleans to St. Louis, while Harry Fenn, illustrated them. Both men travelled together. The paper was of the same style of Harper's Weekly. Mr. T. B. Aldrich, the poet who recently died, was the editor and it was in this connection that he became intimate with Ralph and wrote an appreciative article in the Atlantic after his death.

He literally worked his way through college. He boarded himself at one season up stairs in a little white building to the right of the college gate in the park, and did chores for Prof. Lang. Mrs. Lang and Mrs. Pratt sent him over an occasional dish of food for his harder. I have carried many a plate of hot buckwheat cakes to him.

When Bob Wright kept the College Hotel, Ralph was engaged as a waiter, in which way he paid for one square meal of a dimer once a day.

In the "Revile—Ye," a burlesque on the Revieye of 1859, there was an advertisement like this:

"College Hotel."

"Ralph Keeler, Esq., of the College Hotel, respectfully solicits the patronage of the Gombier public, and takes great pleasure in stating that his clerk, Mr. Bob Wright and Katy, his sylph-like cook, will assist him in rendering things agreeable."

I wish I could reproduce here nearly all of this. "Revile—Ye." It was most exquisitely funny, laughingly ridiculous, mingled with some extremely pointed hits and caricatures upon different personages of both town and college. The wood cuts—crude and coarse—were cut out of pine dry goods boxes and engraved by Ralph himself, with his jack knife. It was distributed and sold for five cents per copy to the students at the college gate one morning as they filed out from prayers. The design was to keep the publisher's name a secret, but you might as well have tried to disguise the light of day under a bushel basket as to try and obscure the name of the editor. And Ralph was content to have it so for there was a tremendous germ of egotism in the boy.

I venture another quotation:

"Howling Dervishes (College Choir.) And it had been a dog that should have howled so, they would have hanged him.—Shakespeare.

Musical S. Davis (Murray Davis, gone.)
C. Harmonious Young (Gone.)
A. Vocal Guttural Allan (Professor at Cambridge.)
William Do Doty (Gone.)
Semitone Melodious D. Clark (Nashville, Tenn.)
Jay Parrot Knorr.
G. Calliope Thompson.
Warbling Bow (wow) er. (Gone.)

The Dervishes would state that they have been at the enormous expense of procuring an entirely new "grind" organ and of importing a
wonderful trick monkey. They moreover take great pleasure in announcing that Mr. Geo. Pratt has been prevailed upon to wear his customary smile while he "discourses" the music and feeds the monkey.

Remorse—From RE and MORDEO, I eat; boarding one's self so as to pay election bets.

In the burial of Homer at the end of our Freshman year (1859) he took an active part. The program, deeply lined in black margins, was enriched by songs of his composition. He was essentially a poet and was chosen by the class to that honor. At the midnight hour, the eve of Commencement day, the class of '62 formed themselves down in the woods south of the college and marched up the entire length of the middle walk. Frank Crawford dressed skin-tight in brilliant crimson as his satanic majesty, headed the procession. Presently, borne by bearers, came the coffin, on which was straddled one of the smallest boys of the class (Willie Taylor, of Cincinnati, I believe) habited skin tight, with the same red color. The orator, Dorville Doty, and Ralph Keeler, dressed as a Greek poet, with an olive wreath about his head were followed by all the members of the class, about forty strong, concealed in long white sheets with holes in the middle, just large enough for the eyes to peep out, and each one carrying a hugely lighted torch made a procession which greatly astonished the bystanders and visitors who thickly lined the walk.

The Millersburg brass band, engaged for the Seniors for their next day exercises, were in the advance solemnly playing "Webster's Funeral March," arranged from Beethoven. The entire line in that midnight hour made an impressive fascination and weirdness rarely seen before. When they arrived at the two stone pillars of the college gate, the orator mounted one pillar and the poet the other. I have wished that the poem of Ralph Keeler could have been preserved for it was a rich one.

Down at the right, the coffin, full of the old Greek Homeric books that the boys had used, was burned as a funeral pyre, around which the class circled singing a dirge to the tune of "Massa's in the cold, cold ground." Our Greek professor did not come out to view the obsequies, for he was saddened and grieved beyond words that his favorite author should thus have been cremated. But the class had chosen Homer because they had wrestled and fought with him nightly under the daily instruction of "Tute" Lee. The custom of burning of the old books only occurred once more in the following year by the Class of '63.

Keeler's dirge is hereby appended
"Round the College am a ringing,
The Sophies joyful song;
All the Sophomores are a singing,
Happy as the day is long;
While the grasshopper is creeping,
Where the 'cows' abound,
There old Homer is a sleeping
Sleeping in the cold, cold ground.

Crowns. — Down in the park here
Here that joyful sound
All the Sophies are rejoicing,
Homer's in the cold, cold ground.

Where the vernal flowers are falling
From the callow trees,
When old "Tute" Lee was bawling,
Freshman have 'relaxed' their knees;
Now the 'cow-plant' is a blooming
O'er the aged bares;
Now the summer days are coming,
Homer will bore us no more,
Homer made the Freshmen hate him,
He always was so 'blind;'
Ye 'downy' Sophomores now prostrate him,
And laugh because they leave him behind;
We will not read him on the morrow,
We'll be no longer vexed;
Let grub-worms take him to their sorrow,
'Picking out the beauties of the text.'

Some of the richest songs of the Nu Pi Kappa Society, full of merit, melody and rhythm, were written by Ralph Keeler. As college productions, I doubt whether they have ever been excelled, and only that they are distinctly local and Kenyonesque has prevented them from being further adopted. He was not a member of any secret society of those days, possibly on account of absolute inability to meet all the necessary financial demands. He was as I said at first, a rare avies—a most unique and independent character. He hoed his own row through college by sheer force of audacious wit, good humor and indefatigable labor. Just here I can say there are those who know better than I do of the generous amount of money he in after years sent to Mr. White the treasurer of the college, by whom a fund was set apart for poor and indigent students who like Ralph were struggling along to educate themselves. He left the Hill in debt to college, town, foe and friend, but every whit of it was reimbursed in after years. I am writing of him after 46 years of personal remembrance and place him under the hue of the rose. I doubt whether there would be any thorns of memory sticking in the mind and heart of any old boy now left behind within the paths of life.
BASKETBALL.


Though our basketball team was not victorious in its first game of the year, the outcome was by no means discouraging, when we consider that our team had had but one week's practice. The Columbus Y. M. C. A. five came to Gambier on January 11, with the season, to them, already six weeks old, and won out by the narrow margin of four points.

Furthermore, ten men were used by Kenyon during the course of the game, with the object in mind of picking the most likely candidates to represent the team for the remainder of the schedule. In face of these things the defeat of 35 to 31 was not bitter. The line-up:

Y. M. C. A.  
Kenyon,
Russell..............L. F. Gayle-Dun
Colburn.............R. P. Colgrove-Cardillo
O'Ryan (c)...........C. Lord-Luthy
Boswell.............R. G. Brigan-Bentley
Binns................L. G. Hardy-Clarke

Buchtel, 40. Kenyon, 22.

It is the general opinion in college that Kenyon has better material for a basketball team this season than she has had for years. And in no one is this belief so strong as in the members of the team themselves. The personal interest that each member is taking in the welfare of the team always the predominate factor in the support of Kenyon's basketball teams, is stronger than ever this year. It is this interest, with the defeat of the previous week acting as a stimulant, that has prompted each man to adhere strictly to training.

Though we were defeated, the effect of this policy was shown in our game with Buchtel, January 17, 1908. The score at the end of the first half was 26 to 9 in Buchtel's favor. In the second half they scored but 14 to our 13.

Smith was by far the star of the game, he alone scoring 24 points for Buchtel. Cardillo and Clarke were the biggest point-winners for Kenyon, while the defensive work of Clarke and Lord was perfect.

The line-up:

Buchtel  
Kenyon
Jahant, (c).............L. F. Cardillo
Smith..................R. P. Dun
Williams...............C. Lord
Read...................R. G. Brigan-Clarke
Iredell..............L. G. Bentley

Baskets from field, Smith, 8; Iredell, 4; Williams, 2; Jahant, 2; Cardillo, 3; Bentley, 2; Clarke, 2; Brigan, 1; Lord, 1. Baskets from foul, Smith, 8; Dun, 4. Referee, Parratt.

Wooster, 63. Kenyon, 22.

The result of the game of January 18th shows that Kenyon met a worthy opponent in Wooster. No excuse can be offered for the defeat at her hands. Kenyon was simply outplayed at every point of the game, with the exception of perhaps two or three bursts of speed in which she showed first-class form. It is this last that we hope to develop before the season grows much older, for as yet we have had but two weeks of practice. The characteristic and universally growing roughness of basketball today was very much in evidence at times during the game.

Wooster's large stock of first-class players was used to good advantage, enabling them to play as speedily the second half as at the beginning of the game.

Clarke and Cardillo fixed up a combination in the second half that often worked effectually toward adding to Kenyon's total. Brigan played a good defensive game, at the same time making his share of the points, while Lord was complimented by a disinterested party upon having played the best all-around game.

At the final blow of the whistle, Kenyon had been defeated by the best team in the state, 63 to 22.

The line-up:

Wooster  
Kenyon
Emerson..............L. F. Cardillo
Jacobs-Grisinger......R. P. Dun
Hayes-Palmer..........C. Lord
Fulton..............R. G. Clarke
Richardson-Garvin...L. G. Bentley-Brigan

Baskets from field, Emerson, 9; Jacobs, 2; Grisinger, 1; Hayes, 5; Fulton, 6; Palmer, 6; Richardson, 1; Cardillo, 3; Clarke, 4; Dun, 1; Brigan, 1; Baskets from foul, Emerson, 3; Dun, 3; Clarke, 1. Referee, Peterson. Score at end of first half, 32 to 8.

Work has been begun on the next issue of the Harcourt Mayde, although it will probably not come out for some time. The issue bids fair to be even better than the first issue and under Miss Gallagher's efficient editorship should be one of the best numbers of the Mayde ever published.
LETTERS TO THE COLLEGIAN.

Kenyon College Bed.

To the Editor of the Collegian:

Quite a long while ago—two years it seems to me—a representative of the College Assembly wrote me about supporting a bed in our hospital at Ketchikan, Alaska. I was delighted to think of this interest in my work on the part of my own Alma Mater. I wrote immediately, saying that we would set apart a bed to be known as the "Kenyon Bed" which should do free work for needy men to the extent of fifty dollars' worth each year. The particular bed was to be marked with Kenyon's name. The fifty dollars was the amount suggested by my correspondent.

So far as I know nothing was done that year, but I am glad to know that nearly the whole amount was raised last year and has been already forwarded. My visit to the College lately has given me good evidence that the whole amount will be raised this year. I trust that this may always be kept up, and that in time perhaps the bed may be entirely supported by Kenyon men.

The need of our mission hospitals is just such assistance as this. Without outside help we could never keep them open. There are no private hospitals in Alaska, because they cannot be made to pay dividends. The only condition we make of one's admittance to our hospitals in the north is that he is either ill or injured.

I shall be glad to answer any questions anyone may care to ask. Faithfully yours,

Thomas Jenkins.

Chicago, Ill., January 17, 1908.

Editor-in-Chief, Collegian, Gambier, O.:

Dear Sir:—If you have not already received the item, you may have occasion to use the following "dope" on our annual New Year's Eve "blow-out" in Chicago, in an early issue of the Collegian. The "youngest set" always get together in Chicago on Dec. 31st, New Year's Eve for a dinner, etc. It is essentially a young gathering and informal, not being connected in any way with the Annual Kenyon dinner.

This year we had a peach and the list of men attending is an indication. It is really remarkable that such a small institution as Kenyon can get together between twenty-five and thirty of her youngest sons at a point as remote from the college as Chicago is. We here are convinced that no other small college could do it and moreover we are confident that no where else in the world (outside of Ohio, possibly) can so many young Kenyonites get together—and I doubt whether even in Columbus, Cincinnati or Cleveland can it be done.

Think of 1904 having six men on hand. The following men were in attendance (also one keg, one-half bbl.).

John Zimmerman, '01; George F. Russell, '01; Converse Goddard, '02; R. D. Law, '02; W. D. Conner, '03; K. S. Carlisle, '03; Walter T. Collins, '03; Roy Hunter, '03; John V. Rathbone, '04; Chas. W. Zollinger, '04; L. M. Pease, '04; Robert Clark, '04; M. F. Maury, '04; Edward Irvine, '04; Smiler Oliver, '05; R. W. Crosby, '06; Tom Gawne, '07; E. H. Reynolds, '08; G. K. Cooper, '08; Phil Crosby, '09; Leonard Downe, '09; John Scott, '10; Howard Hoyt, '10; Randall Anderson, '11; Sanderson, '11; Chas. Field, '11; Raymond Gillette, '11; prospective, Class of 1912, Malcolm Anderson, Harold Downe, Don Max Murray.

This is really a corking good showing.

Very truly yours,

Walter T. Collins.

PHILO.

The regular meeting of Philomathesian on Jan. 15, was called to order by Mr. Knapp. Eleven members were present and Messrs. Eiser and Townsend were received into the society as members. An interesting talk on the "Druce Case" was given by Mr. Cahall, while Mr. L-'Hommedieu spoke on the "Ideals of a College Newspaper." The critique for the evening was given by Mr. Chase. The meeting then adjourned. P. S. Messrs. Clements and Barber, who were down for speeches forgot to come.

Jan. 22nd.—The regular meeting of Philomathesian on Jan. 22, was called to order by President Sykes. A very interesting program had been prepared, in which Mr. Farquhar gave a description of the new Union Station at Washington. Mr. Bland discussed the question, "Is the cause of personal liberty advancing with the progression of constitutional law? A debate was the next number on the program: "Resolved, That the Japanese should be excluded from the United States," Messrs. Russell and McGlashan spoke on the affirmative while Messrs. Agnew and Townsend spoke on the negative. Mr. Cahall acted as critic. The meeting then adjourned.
HERE and THERE.

George Southworth, '09, took the Rhodes Scholarship examination in Columbus on the 22nd and 23rd of January. There were eleven men trying for the prize. Here's hoping George, that you will be the lucky one.

The Sophomore Class has recently purchased a forty-eight volume edition of Shakespeare and presented it to the Library. By doing this, the Sophomores have not only made a most useful gift to the College, but they have set a precedent and it is to be hoped that succeeding classes will follow their example.

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee, H. S. Lybarger, '10, was elected manager of the Collegian to succeed H. W. Cole, resigned. The resignation of A. W. Coldewey as football manager for 1908 was accepted. W. N. Cott was elected in his place.

At the January meeting of the Assembly, Athletic Director Munro and Capt. Coolidge talked on track prospects and Kenyon's need of men and faithful training along this line.

At its last meeting, the Class of 1910 voted to present to the college a complete set of Shakespeare (the edition of 1844). The books are now in the library.

The first meeting of the Kenyon Oratorical Association took place on the eighteenth of January when the following officers were elected: President, N. V. Morrow; Vice President, N. J. Bland; Manager, L. P. L'Hommedieu; Secretary, A. I. Hardy. Ex-President Chase announced that a debate with Wesleyan had been arranged for the Sixth of March. It will occur in Gambier. The manager was directed to correspond with other colleges with debates in view.

The basketball team, on its recent visit to Akron was most delightfully entertained at the home of Mr. Smith. Several small affairs were given for the team and the entire stay proved to be most enjoyable.

The middle division parlor, on the first floor, has been turned into a general memorial room, for the especial use of committees and it to be known as the Theodore Sterling Room. On the afternoon of its opening a reception was held in it, which was attended by all the men in college. The room is one that has been needed for years and the idea is greatly commended. Great thanks are due Doctor Smyth for his active interest in the room.

Rev. Tunmore, '03, was on the Hill recently for a few days and gave several interesting and entertaining talks to the fellows.

An informal reception was given recently in the West Wing Ballreye in honor of Mr. James Dempsey, of Cleveland, and of his son, Ernest Dempsey, and Hoyt E. Hayes, two University School boys who intend to enter the class of 1914.

Mandolin and Glee Club practices are being held regularly.

The first trip of the clubs will begin sometime in the latter part of February and concerts will probably be given in Coshocton, Ravenna, Akron Cleveland, Toledo and Sandusky.

The Amherst Glee and Mandolin Clubs have asked for a joint concert to be given sometime next month in Columbus. There are a large number of both Kenyon and Amherst Alumni in Columbus and the affair would undoubtedly be a very successful one.

A. W. Coldewey, 1909, returned late to college, having enjoyed a case of measles during the holidays.

Preparations are now well under way for the Junior Prom of 1908, to be given in Rosselle Hall, February 10th, by the Junior Class. Practically all of the preliminary arrangements have been made. The Prom Committee has thrown out dark hints of innovations to be tried this Prom. Exactly what these are is not told but it is practically certain that there will be a "moonlight" dance, decidedly new lighting arrangements, and quite unusual schemes of decoration.

The decoration committee has planned a number of new features and promises some unusually delightful effects. So altogether the Prom bids fair to outdo any Prom that has ever been held at Kenyon.

The Junior informal will be on Saturday night, February 8th, the Prom itself Monday, the 10th, the Dramatic Club gives a play Tuesday, the 11th, and the Glee and Mandolin concert on Wednesday, the twelfth.

Johnson's orchestra, of Cleveland, has been secured for the Prom, a fact that almost itself guarantees the success of the dance.
The Prom Committee, Messrs. Childs, Coolidge, Jones, Kite, Lord, Barber and Metzgar, have been at work for the past few months.

The Dramatic Club will present a play, "The New Commandment," written by Max Long, Kenyon, '05, Bexley, '08, and the exceptional excellence of both play and cast assure the unqualified success of this feature of the week.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs have been industriously practising for the past two months and under the efficient leaderships of Messrs. Cahall and Luthy, have attained a high state of perfection. A number of decidedly good selections have been made for the clubs and they should be better than they have been for a number of years. Several informal receptions and teas will be given at college.

An unusually large number of girls will be here for Prom week and, in its entirety, the affair promises to be exceptionally enjoyable.

An announcement that the elocution class of Harcourt will present a play sometime in the next few weeks. There is quite a good deal of dramatic talent at Harcourt and the play will undoubtedly be one of great interest and pleasure.

The sad news of the death of Mrs. Adele Swartz Koch was a great blow to the Harcourt girls who were here with her two years ago. She was one of the most prominent in all activities of Harcourt.

The Harcourt girls were guests at a military eucheary party given on Wednesday, Jan. 15, by President and Mrs. Peirce, at their home on the campus. The party was in honor of the 1907 football team, all the members of which were present. The evening was a most enjoyable one in every particular.

Miss Katharine Schwable, of Greenwith, was for a few days last week the guest of the Misses Williams.

A party from Harcourt, including Miss Merwin and several teachers and pupils, went to Columbus January 30, to attend the Boston Symphony Concert in Memorial Hall.

The sad news reached Gambier a few days ago of the death of Mrs. Frederick Koch, of Buffalo, New York, who, before her marriage, was Miss Adele Brule Swartz.

Mrs. Koch was at Harcourt during the years 1903-1906, and was one of the most prominent members of that school. She was interested prominently in all of the activities of Harcourt and had a large circle of friends who mourn her loss.

Mrs. Koch was born April 28, 1885, in Buffalo and was educated at Harcourt Place Seminary, Gambier, Ohio, and the Walnut Lane Seminary, Philadelphia.

Her marriage to Mr. Koch was solemnized last October. She died January 13, at the family home in Dunkirk, of acute indigestion, after an illness of five weeks.

Miss Ralston was called to Columbus for a few days recently.

FOOT BALL PARTY.

On January 15, President and Mrs. Peirce entertained at cards for this year's football team. It was easily one of the most unique and enjoyable social events of the year. Besides the members of the team, a number of Harcourt girls and several of the faculty and faculty ladies were present. The evening was spent in playing "college euchre."

Each of the "Big Nine" colleges of the state was represented by two teams. A regular schedule of sixteen games had been arranged for each team. The idea was very cleverly carried out in every detail. Each table had a set of miniature goal posts decorated with the colors of one of the colleges; on the crossbar were hung a number of miniature footballs. Whenever a team won a game it received a football. By a happy coincidence, Kenyon had the greatest number of balls when the schedules were completed and was accordingly declared champion.

The refreshments were exceedingly appropriate. Each guest was served with ice cream and cake; the ice cream was in Kenyon colors, moulded in the shape of a football player or of a football.

President and Mrs. Peirce are certainly to be congratulated upon their effective tribute to the team.

The students at Michigan are organized for the systematic campaign against the evils in their athletics.
NU PI KAPPA.

The meeting was called to order by President Platt, with 17 members present. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Mr. Anderson was then voted into the society, after which Messrs. Burris, Rarey, J. Southworth, Anderson, and C. M. Cable received the oath of membership. The following program was then very creditably rendered.

Mr. Wuebker gave a very interesting as well as instructive talk on "The Protective Tariff in Australia." Such an exhaustive talk on so difficult a subject, showed careful and painstaking preparation. Equally good preparation, together with many facts concerning Africa, no doubt new to Kenyon men, was shown forth by Mr. Hughes in a talk on "Sir John Roger's Report on Africa." The "Current Events" of the week were set forth in an interesting fashion by Mr. J. Southworth. The meeting was brought to a close by an extemporaneous speech on "Taft's Chances for the Presidency," by Mr. Brigman.

PRESIDENT PEIRCE IN THE EAST.

Dr. Peirce spent the last week in January and the first week in February visiting Kenyon Alumni and Kenyon friends in the large cities in the East. Annually at about this time of year the Alumni Associations of New York, Philadelphia and Washington hold their dinners, at which President Peirce is always the guest of honor. Aside from the social festivities, Dr. Peirce attends to a great deal of official business having to do with the College. For the past three years he has also been present at the annual dinner of the Ohio Society of New York as the guest of Col. John J. McCook.

On the evening of the 30th of January the Annual Dinner of the Kenyon Alumni Association of New York was held at the Waldorf Astoria in that city. President Peirce, Bishop Vincent and Bishop Leonard were the honored guests on this occasion. A full account of the affair will appear in the next issue of the Collegian.

The Kenyon Alumni Association of Philadelphia is to have its annual dinner on Thursday the 6th of February at the University Club. We shall also publish an account of this dinner in a later issue.

On Saturday, the 8th of February, the Hon. Matthew Trimble, '60, will have for his guests, President Peirce and Kenyon Alumni in and about Washington.

The Ohio Society of New York gave its annual dinner on the 1st of February at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. President Peirce was the guest of Col. John J. McCook. The general subject of toasts responded to was "Ohio in Commerce and Industry."

Dr. Peirce spent Sunday, the 18th of January, in Wheeling, W. Va., where he was the guest of C. W. Whitaker, '88. In the morning he preached at St. Matthew's Church.

THE COLLEGE WORLD.

A recent issue of the Reserve Weekly contained a review of Reserve's football teams from 1890, when football was introduced till the present time. In that time Kenyon has lost to Reserve six times, tied twice and won three times. For several years the two colleges did not meet in athletics, but now only the best of feeling prevails and we expect to see it continued in the future.

The Alumni of Amherst, Brown, Dartmouth, Boston Tech., Wesleyan and Williams, are planning to erect in New York City, a nine story club house. This will be a good thing for a variety of reasons and particularly for promoting the good will between the schools involved.

Wellesley this year enrolled four Chinese girls, the first to be sent to this country by the Chinese government.

REWARDING THE "SCRUBS."

Every year, after the football season is over, we see in the papers a long account of the college football team, of the men who have earned their letters. Tucked away in some obscure
column we see another short account, thanking the "scrubs" for their help in developing the regular team.

While the regulars are the ones who get the glory, success, in a great measure, is due to the faithfulness and efficiency of the second team. Does not a man who, with perhaps no hope of making the team, turns out every night and receives his share of knocks and bruises, deserve more than thanks? Certainly, he does.

My proposition is to reward the "scrubs" by giving them jersey sweaters bearing their class numerals. If the Athletic Association cannot afford this, let it at least give the "scrubs" their numerals and perhaps the student body would be willing to subscribe enough to get the jerseys.

When I say "scrubs," I don't mean men who come out for practice once a week. I mean men who come out regularly, night after night, week after week. Furthermore, I would let the coach be the man to select the men to whom the jerseys are to be awarded.

The result of this awarding of numerals would, I believe, be threefold; first, it would tend to make the number of candidates for the team larger; secondly, it would give the coach a chance to select a regular second team, since men on the "scrubs" would come out every night in order to earn their numerals; thirdly, since the second team would become stronger on account of the two reasons given above, it would tend to develop a better regular team. Therefore I would urge that some steps be taken in regard to awarding jerseys and numerals to the "scrubs."—Case Tech

"Tubby" Billette, '07, is in Kenyon, growing fatter than ever while he vainly wishes for better bait to catch fish in the streams there.—The Mercury-Racing College. Hello, Tubby.

The Columbia faculty has decided that the rules which bar students from participation in athletics when they are delinquent in classes shall not be enforced until 1910, but that all cases shall be considered individually. It was found that if the rule were enforced, 70 per cent. of the university's athletes would be ruled out for insufficient entrance preparation.

The Quadrangular Chess League will challenge Oxford and Cambridge to an international tourney between representatives of English and American universities, the match to be played by cable this spring. Representatives from Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania will probably be asked to participate.

The question of increasing the football schedule from five to seven games, received the support of Michigan, Northwestern, Minnesota, Iowa and Indiana. The Universities of Chicago, Illinois, Wisconsin and Purdue opposed it. A two-thirds vote is necessary before the plan can become operative.

Four scholarships for American women, similar in nature to the Rhodes scholarships for men, have been established for Oxford. The examinations for these scholarships are to be held at the same time and under the same conditions as the examinations for the Rhodes scholarships.

The Minnesota Athletic Association is debating about the advisability of giving M's to the girls who play on the basket ball team.

Michigan will probably adopt the "class advisor" system by which the several classes are assigned members of the faculty to advise students in choosing courses of study.

Maud Muller on a summer day, with her fellow ran away, in a benzine touring car, scooting to a preacher far. Maud's father saw the fleeing pair, smelled the benzine-scented air; caught a mule whose name was Jane, and galloped down the dusty lane; the mobile very swifty ran, but burned the oil all out the can. The motor stopped upon a hill, but Jane ran on just fit to kill. Alas for maid, alas for man, also for empty benzine can. Maude's daddy on the old-gray mule, came and took her off to school. The mule nigh wrecked the benzine cart; the feller died of a broken heart. The moral of this tale so sad: Don't steal the girl; go ask her dad.—Ex.
POTPOURRI.

Clang, clang—The Canterbury chimes in the pointed church tower strike ten. Through the old stone gates, up the Path on which the warm sunlight lies in great splotches, hurries a bunch of fellows. The leaders turn into the bakery, those in the rear calling out to them, "Ham and eggs for me," "Tell Harry to have some eggs on toast," "Order a sandwich for me." No one ever goes to a club for breakfast on Sunday morning and the entire college invades the little old bakery. One man makes it his proudest boast that, in four years, he never once went to Sunday breakfast at his club.

The fellows string in for five or ten minutes. Then the Path is deserted, save for a stray dog or two. The faint chirping of birds, the soft waving of the tree tops and the soft sunlight that lies in everything create a feeling of drowsiness as you sit on the chapel steps.

Soon, from up the Path, appear men and women, families and here and there a professor in his Sunday starchiness, strides along. The chimes strike the quarter. Through the open door of the bakery, with its signs, "Ice Cream," "Strawberries," the fellows pour slowly out and sit or stand around in front, resting in the cool shade.

A mass of color is seen up the Path, which gradually becomes a large group of girls, all togged out in brilliant colors, rivaling the blue of the sky, the soft green of the grass and the brilliant yellow of the sunshine. With many sidewise glances and coy smiles they troop past bunches of the fellows, who fall in line behind them and the entire procession enters the gates and turns off at the little ivy-covered church.

The girls enter the southern door, the fellows stand around the northern entrance while the bell above them strikes the last few notes of the half hour. Then with a last longing look out at the wide stretch of soft, green campus, the wide spreading trees and the mellow, warm sunlight—wouldn't it be great in a canoe down on the cool Kokosing now?—enter the darkened church.

The door closes, the bell above clangs out its last few notes, the organ begins inside.

The long Path, the sweeping lawns, and the wide valleys seen off at the left are deserted by everything but the soft, warm, drowsy sunshine.

The recent panic in the financial world seems to have hit the Gambier merchants and business men unusually hard. After returning from the Christmas holidays, many of the boys were somewhat taken back by the peremptory demands of the merchants for settlement. If this demand was refused, the merchants put on a woe-begotten face and told the boys what a hard time they were having to exist. As the prices charged by at least two of the complaining business houses are only four times higher than elsewhere the public may rest assured that there will be no failures.
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