

YALE ALUMNI MEETINGS.

How the Various Associations have Met and Dined.

The Christmas vacation is always a most opportune time for the holding of banquets and business meetings of the various Yale Alumni Associations. This year seems to have been no exception to this custom, and the accounts printed below indicate that the usual large attendance and display of true enthusiasm were prominent features of the many gatherings.

COLORADO YALE CLUB.

The Colorado Yale Association held their sixteenth annual banquet at the University Club, Denver, Monday evening, Dec. 23th. It was the first gathering of the kind in the new University Club building, and was one of the most successful in the history of the Association. The dining room had been decorated with smilax and roses, and the colors were made conspicuous by cross bars of blue satin ribbon on the white table coverings. At each end of the table were placed handsome Yale banners. The toast list was inaugurated by an address by Theodore Holland, President of the Association and responses were made for the following subjects:

"The Aztec Age," H. P. Parmelee; "Yale at Henley," Stanley Pearce; "New Ways of Old Yale," Gerald Hughes; "The Old Brick Row," William R. Barbour; "Alma Mater," by her youngest son, "Master" Henry R. Wolcott, A. M., '96.

A letter from Prof. H. P. Wright, Dean of the College Faculty, was received and read. Among other things the letter said:

"On looking over the Yale Banner just issued, I find that many college honors go to the representatives of your state.

"The chairman of the editorial board of the Yale Scientific Monthly is from Colorado. So is also the manager of the Yale Football Association, the President of the Yale Civil Service Reform Association, and the class orator of the Academic class of 1897. Besides this, Colorado furnished one player on the Yale eleven of the present year; two members of the Junior Promenade Committee of the class of 1897, one of them was floor manager; the fence orator and the President of the Freshman Union of the class of 1898, and one of the four class deacons of the class of 1899. The President of the Intercollegiate Civil Service Reform Association recently elected at Philadelphia is a Yale Academic Senior from Colorado.

"This is a very honorable record and you may safely compare it with that of the representatives of any other state. Competition is very intense here, as you well know, and men do not get college honors at Yale or attain distinction in scholarship unless they have good ability and manly character."

The Denver Evening Post made the following editorial comment on the above:

"Colorado students also take high rank in scholarship, it was added. All this has significance because it is a demonstration of Colorado civilization in the east whence not a few slurs are wont to proceed on the character, ability, manners, etc., of Colorado people. Yale is peculiarly the American university, where 2,500 young men gather from all over the land, and even from Europe, to receive instructions in various kinds of knowledge, and that Colorado's representatives should be the recipients of so many honors at that university, where, as Prof. Wright points out, competition for them is very keen, shows that Colorado genius is more than a match for eastern genius, especially that of New England and New York whose representatives greatly outnumber those of this state. Doubtless what is true at Yale is also true at other universities frequented by Colorado students and the young men distinguishing themselves are deserving of the highest encomiums in conserving by their achievements the fair name of their state in a hostile land. They have demonstrated that they have brains, manners, brawn, moral's, fact, capacity, to a degree that has drawn honors to them in unwonted abundance, wresting them from representatives of a supposed superior race."

The officers elected for the coming year were. President, H. B. Parmelee, '63; Vice-President, W. A. Otis, (Colorado Springs) '86; Secretary and Treasurer, W. B. Woodward, '92S.; Executive Committee, O. S. Isbell, '88, H. Phelps, '93L. S.; J. D. Skinner, '94S., and J. E. Good '95.

The following smoking song was introduced:

Floating away like the fountain's spray,
On the snow-white plume of a maiden,
The smoke-wreaths rise to the star-lit skies,
With blissful fragrance laden."

Then smoke away till a golden ray,
Lights up the dawn of the morrow,
For a cheerful cigar like a shield will bar,
The blows of care and sorrow.

The dark-eyed train of the maids of Spain
'Neath their arbor shades trip lightly,
And a gleaming cigar, like a new born star,
In the clasp of their lips burns brightly.

It warms the soul like the blushing bowl,
With its roes-red burden streaming,
And drowns in its bliss, like the first warm kiss
From the lips with love-buds teeming.

The evening closed with another musical production by Joseph S. Norton, '65, as follows:

(Air: "Auld Lang Syne.")

What though my blood be bounding now,
And years have tempered thine,
And ashes be upon thy brow,
And locks of youth on mine
We'll find for every difference still
Nepenthe in the wine,
That sparkles in the cup we fill
To pledge the days Lang Syne.

If there's a chill upon thy heart,
Then there's a heart aglow
To give thee back, before we part,
The warmth of long ago;
And ne'er a voice around the board
But has accord with thine,
To blend in every cheering word
The tones of old Lang Syne.

Then let there be no seeming here
Of pleasures lightly quaffed,
But fill the glass with kindly cheer,
And take an honest draught;
And find for care and every ill,
Nepenthe in the wine,
That sparkles in the cup we fill
To Yale and Auld Lang Syne.

There were forty men present as follows: Theodore Holland, '82, Henry T. Rogers, '66, Henry R. Wolcott, (Hon. '96,) Thomas Ward, '56, Henry Lyne, '87, R. J. Pitkin, '85, Willis B. Herr '86S. D. Plessner, '85, A. B. Adams, '96, W. J. Berger, '99, H. K. Brown, '92S., J. E. Good, '95, J. T. Field, '88S., H. Phelps, '93L., J. D. Skinner, '94S., W. B. Berger, '93S., H. E. Wood, G. P. Steele, '92S., C. C. Dorsey, '90, A. W. Pearce, '96S., F. L. Woodward, '88, C. R. Dudley, '77L., D. C. West, '89, W. R. Barbour, '80, W. B. Woodward, '92S., E. B. Morgan, '86, G. B. Berger, '88S., Gerald Hughes, '97, Jno. T. Lorange, '92, H. J. Teller, '92, P. Fuller, '92, O. S. Isbell, '88, Stanley Pearce, '91S., and W. A. Otis, '86, E. O. Stanard, '92 and Howard Starr, '95, Colorado Springs.

NORTHWESTERN ALUMNI DINE.

The thirteenth annual meeting and banquet of the Yale Alumni Association of the Northwest was held in the Minneapolis club, Minneapolis, Minn., on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29. There are 150 members of this association residing in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and the Dakotas, of whom 46 were present. The annual meetings are held alternately in Minneapolis and St. Paul, and are followed by the annual banquet.

Stanford Newel, '61, of St. Paul, presided over the business meeting and was re-elected president of the association by acclamation. C. S. Jelley, '71, of Minneapolis was unanimously re-elected secretary and treasurer. The committee on the banquet of 1897 was appointed to consist of Dr. Burnside Foster, '82, and William R. Begg, '93, of St. Paul and W. W. Heffelfinger, '91S., of Minneapolis. The dinner and meeting will be held in St. Paul. Preceding the election of officers the reports of officers were read and accepted.

At the conclusion of the business meeting the members present formed in line and marched down stairs to the banquet room singing "Omega Lambda Chi." The tables were placed in the form of a horseshoe.

Stanford Newel acted as toastmaster and toasts were responded to as follows:

"Yale in the Judiciary," Judge C. E. Vanderburgh, '62.

"Yale in Art," E. T. Elliott, '58.

"Yale in Philosophy," Samuel Appleton, '63.

"Yale in Finance," E. C. Cook, '77.

"Yale in Sports," Carrington Phelps, '70.

"Yale in Book-Making," F. T. Bergstrom, '88.

"Yale in Invention," T. D. Merwin, '77.

"Yale in Poetry," Dr. Burnside Foster, '82.

"Yale in Scholarship," William R. Begg, '93.

After the usual custom many impromptu speeches were called for and among the responses were speeches made by C. McC. Reeve, '70, E. W. Durant, Jr., '87; Charles Gale, '95; M. D. Munn, '81; W. W. Heffelfinger, '91S.; T. L. McClung, '92; W. C. Winter, '93S.; C. S. Jelley, '71, and others.

Judge Vanderburgh in his toast gave a well deserved eulogy upon John M. Beery, '47, for many years justice of the supreme court of Minnesota. Dr. Foster read a poem on "Yale." A quartet consisting of J. F. Merrill, '81, W. F. Hutchinson, '84; E. M. Dudley, '77, and C. M. Griggs, '83, sang several times, and E. M. Dudley rendered some comic songs and a yodel.

The list of those present follows: Stanford Newel, '61; C. E. Vanderburgh, '52; W. C. Winter, '93 S.; T. L. McClung, '92; W. R. Begg, '93; J. H. Hill, '93; W. Wheelock, '93; M. D. Munn, '81; W. F. Booth, '84; W. D. Washburn, Jr., '88; L. S. Rand, '91; T. D. Merwin, '77; G. L. Wilson, '77 S.; W. S. Williams, '86 S.; J. E. Stryke, '83; E. C. Gale, '84; E. W. Durant, Jr., '87S.; F. M. Crosby, '97; C. S. Gale, '95; W. G. Noyes, '91; C. S. Bovey, '90; W. W. Heffelfinger, '91 S.; C. E. Heffelfinger, '97; E. B. Graves, '81; C. S. Jelley, '71; L. K. Hull, '83; S. A. Booth, '84; Burnside Foster, '82; F. Bergstrom, '88; A. W. Clapp, '98; D. D. Tenney, 1900; P. R. Brooks, '98; Carrington Phelps, '70; W. H. Bennett, '66; E. A. Platt, '58; E. T. Elliott, '58; E. C. Cook, '77; John Loman, '85; Sampel Appleton, '63; O. H. Briggs, '81; Preston King, '80; W. Goodyear, '86; J. F. Merrill, '81; H. F. Hutchinson, '84; E. M. Dudley, '77; C. McC. Reeve, '70.

THE CLEVELAND REUNION.

The annual reunion and banquet of the Cleveland Yale Alumni Association was held in the Hollenden Hotel on Saturday evening, Jan. 2. Covers were laid at the table in the banquet room, which was decorated in blue, for more than sixty alumni and undergraduates. The guest of honor was Prof. Horatio M. Reynolds, '80, who had shortened his vacation which he was spending in the Maine woods, in order to attend this banquet.

The reunion began with an elaborate spread and was followed by speeches and songs. Mr. Horace Andrews, '41, President of the Association, acted as toastmaster, and introduced G. C. S. Southworth, '63. Mr. Southworth related interesting stories of his college life. Professor Reynolds was then introduced and delighted his au-

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dience by reciting a history of Yale University and comparing its successful career with its strongest adversary—Harvard. He was received with the College yell and loudly applauded at the conclusion of his remarks.

Mr. W. S. Kerruish of the class of '55, next was called upon and related college experiences, dating many years further back than most of the members present could remember. Mr. George H. Ely, '65, of Elyria also made some interesting remarks, after which several of the younger members and undergraduates spoke.

At a business meeting of the association held prior to the banquet, officers were elected as follows:

President, F. L. Baldwin, '82S.; Vice President, F. L. Baldwin, '67; Secretary and Treasurer, A. S. Chisholm, '93; Executive Committee, E. L. Leeds, '88S.; P. W. Harvey, '91, and C. W. Hitchcock, '93S.

PLAINFIELD CLUB.

The fifth annual dinner of the Plainfield (N. J.) Yale Club was held at the Revere House on December 18, and was attended by about fifty men. It was voted the most successful dinner the Club had yet had. Mr. S. St. J. McCutchen, '70, acted as master of the toasts and was exceedingly happy in his introductory remarks. The following toasts were responded to: "The University," Mr. Thomas Thacher, President of the New York City Alumni Association, who spoke in part of the good the alumni might be to the University. Prof. Hadley responded for the "Faculty," and said that two problems now before that august body were the handling of the large classes and the preservation of the democratic spirit for which the old College was famous. Mr. E. C. Perkins represented Harvard and Mr. Leonidas Dennis responded for Princeton. "The Alumni," was the toast assigned to Mr. Dickinson W. Richards, '80, President of the Essex County (N. J.) Alumni Association. He gave the Plainfield Club credit for send-

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