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from Thomas Jefferson, whose birthday we celebrated as the principal feast day of the year, though we observed with almost as great enthusiasm the anniversaries of the beheading of Charles the First, the one good act of Cromwell, and of Louis the 16th of France."

**SOCIAL DISCONTENT.**

Speaking more seriously, Prof. Belloc took up the question already touched upon by preceding speakers—the social discontent now prevalent in this country. He thought he was in a position to view the question without local prejudice, for he was himself a Frenchman by birth, he had received his education in England, he had travelled all over this country and had married a wife from one of the western states. The social situation presents many problems that he did not pretend to have solved, but he desired to call attention to one fact that is often overlooked—it is not the foreign immigration that is the present source of danger. Lord Macaulay long ago predicted that when the tide of progress had reached the Pacific coast it would turn back, and that when this tide, receding from the West, met the tide still advancing from the East, there would be commotion and trouble. This prophecy is being fulfilled; these tides are now meeting, notably in Kansas, and that state, although it has the smallest proportion of foreign inhabitants, is the leader in the extravagancies of Populism.

**MR. COLGATE'S RESPONSE.**

The response of Austen Colgate, '86, to the toast of "Ourselves," was as follows:

"Mr. President and fellow members of Essex County Alumni Association—I speak to you with a feeling of boldness to-night because I know that if I make a failure it will take away ten years off my life and bring me back to the time when I used to do the same in Prof. Phillips' recitation room, in dear old Yale. The only way in which we can see ourselves is by reflection, so if I cast reflections upon you, you must not mind it.

"When one revisits old Yale, as I did at my decennial last year, he tries to obliterate the years that have swept over him in the interim and become a student once more, and do as he did then. So the spirit in my feet led me on entering the College Campus to the Chapel and as I entered I heard President Dwight addressing the outgoing class. The first sentence was: 'Young gentlemen, you are what you are on account of the possibilities of your personality.' This sentence staggered me. I couldn't digest it. Like a man who has eaten a Welsh rarebit after an abstinence from such fruit for many months and wonders what has become of his quondam digestive organs my logical powers were dulled by the somniferous whirl of business for the last few years. I analyzed the sentence, 'You, the object you, the predicate you, the subject,' a useful sentence. I will preach from this text for a short while.

"I first, as I do always when I hear a good thing in church, applied it to myself. I knew right away that sentence wasn't meant for fat men, because in my own case I am as a variable, which is approaching its limit. Now we will let the difference between me and my limit be represented by the Greek letter  $\pi$ . So my possibilities are represented by  $\pi$ , therefore my inner ego or the I myself must be  $\pi$ , a humiliating thought. So I worked on this sentence for nine months and find it applies to this Association.

"The possibilities of this association are very great, therefore this association is very great. Its possibilities are greater than of any other association, therefore it is the greatest association, and being the greatest Yale association it is the greatest association in the world. President Dwight knew this and knew what he was talking about. He had been here. He came down a few years ago to tell us how to appropriate the alumni fund we had raised and when he got here and found it was forty-five dollars, he forgot to say just where he wanted the dormitory erected. So we founded with this sum 'The J. O. Heald free beer fund for indigent college students,' which has done more to promote the democratic spirit in Yale than any other fund. \* \* \* \* \*

**THE AIM OF THE ASSOCIATION.**

"But we don't differ from other alumni associations. It is the duty of every association to uphold the honor of Yale, and whatever she does is right to the outside world whatever we may think of it in the bosom of our own

family. And now we're in the bosom of our own family. It has been pretty hard work to uphold all Yale has done in the last few years, but we have done it. When Yale wrote the insulting letter to Harvard that caused the recent unpleasantness and then admitted she had done wrong but failed to apologize for it, it came hard to uphold her, but we did. When the students sent the flag to Corbett we went around and said, 'that shows the true Yale spirit,' and when we saw the next day in the great moral organ of college life (The Yale Alumni Weekly) that it was a naughty thing to do, we looked up those friends and said 'we made a mistake about that flag yesterday, it was a very bad thing for Yale to so demean herself.'

"And now we uphold the Faculty when they have adopted the double standard, two twenty-five for athletes, and two for bums and grinds. It comes hard at times, but we never complain and will always be loyal to the Blue." \* \* \* \* \*

At the conclusion of the set toasts informal speeches were made by Rev. William R. Richards, of Plainfield, and Messrs. Julian Curtiss, Hamilton Wallis, Sydney Colgate and Emile Schultze. Mr. Schultze, by request, gave "Ninety Miles to Buffalo." Some of the guests from other colleges had never heard it. Songs were interspersed between the speeches, and during the last hour and a half of the evening the quintette from the Glee Club took proceedings into their own hands and gave the best musical programme that has been heard at a Yale dinner in Orange. Mr. Lapham's rendering of the "Old Homestead" and the "Banker's Daughter," was highly appreciated. About twenty joined in the closing chorus at quarter of two.

**Intercollegiate Golf Regulations.**

The Executive Committee of the Intercollegiate Golf Association met in New York Saturday, March 20, and decided that the tournament this Spring should be held Thursday, May 13, and Friday, May 14. The teams are to consist of six men, and entries are open to any college in the United States and Canada.

Ardley Casino will offer a cup to be played for each year, and to be awarded to the club which wins three tournaments. Until one club has won three times it will be kept by the club which has won most recently.

The following are the members of the Executive Committee: J. H. Choate, jr., Harvard; R. Terry, jr., Yale; L. P. Bayard, Princeton; S. F. Morris, jr., Columbia; T. J. Orbison, University of Pennsylvania.

At the meeting of the New Haven Golf Club, April 1, the proposition of the Yale Golf Club, that its members be permitted to use the New Haven Club links during the university year at reduced rates, will be considered. If this permission can be obtained the interest in Golf at Yale will be greatly stimulated.

**New Commencement for Divinity School.**

At a recent meeting of the Faculty of the Yale Theological Seminary, action was taken on the petition recently sent to the Faculty by the Senior class, suggesting that in the graduating exercises in the future the short speeches by members of the graduating class be abolished and that the literary feature of the occasion be a formal address upon some weighty subject of theology or religion by a member of the Faculty or by some other distinguished theologian. It was voted to make no changes in the anniversary exercises, except that the number of addresses by members of the graduating class should be diminished to four, and the length proportionately increased. The speaking by the students will be followed by a brief address either by a member of the Faculty or by some other minister of distinction.

This change is not exactly what was requested by the Senior class, but is nevertheless received by its members as a great improvement over the old program.

The four speakers selected by the Divinity School Faculty to speak at Commencement are: Shepherd Knapp of New York City, whose subject is "The Portrayal of Sin in Modern Literature;" C. C. Merrill of Newbury, "A Plea for Revivals;" H. Frank Hall of Des Moines, Iowa, "The Theory of Evolution in its Bearing on the Christian Doctrine of Sin;" and Austin Rice of Danvers, Mass., who will speak on "The Minister as a Patriot."

The annual concert of the University Glee and Banjo Clubs in New York City, for the benefit of the University crew, will be held in Carnegie Hall, April 30.

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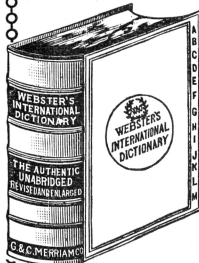
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