

## THE BOOK SHELF.

[Conducted by ALBERT LEE, '91.]

## "Memoirs of Marshal Oudinot."

A recent contribution to Napoleonic literature is the "Memoirs of Marshal Oudinot." (New York: D. Appleton & Co.) The book is interesting, not alone because of the sidelights it throws on that important and picturesque period, but for the tale it tells of a brave man, a gruff soldier, who would have been as well worth reading about, had he lived in any time, although perhaps in another age he might not have had the opportunities that Napoleon afforded him. His wife, the Duchess de Reggio, figures as almost as important a figure in the drama as her husband, the Marshal. She was a true soldier's wife. When Oudinot was wounded in the Russian campaign she betook herself to Moscow in a big coach and nursed the Marshal back to health again, returning with him through the snows and storms of the famous retreat.

One of the interesting features of the biography is the opening instalment of the Appendix. This is a table which shows the "services" rendered to his country by Oudinot. He entered the army as a private of the Medoc Regiment in 1784, and advanced rapidly until he achieved the rank of General of Division in 1799. He was made a Marshal of the Empire in 1809. After Napoleon's downfall, Oudinot became loyal to the King, and as Marshal of France he was put in command of the "Chasseurs of France," the corps which had formerly been the Imperial Guard. Oudinot died in Paris in 1847—an old man and still in the active service of his country.

## "Ziska."

Miss Marie Corelli's latest story is "Ziska" (New York: Stone & Kimball), and she emphasizes the title by telling us that the tale is "a problem of a wicked soul." I am not quite certain as to whether it is the Princess Ziska's or the French artist's soul, that is being worked out in the problem—for the latter's, when it belonged to Araxes, was no doubt wicked, whereas Ziska's, of the nineteenth century, is unquestionably vindictive. I am inclined to think, however, that all the wickedness in the problem may be laid at the door of Ziska. She is a lady who has been on earth several times and dwells under a pyramid in Egypt, when she is dead, and in a palace in Cairo when she is alive. She has an old grudge against the soul that was once worn inside of Araxes, and when that soul comes back, these times, and masquerades as a French artist, she makes up her mind to get her long-desired revenge. The Frenchman falls in love, of course, and so does a little Englishman, but Ziska never knew the Englishman's soul in the good old days, so she devotes herself to the downfall of the other fellow. Her methods are described by Miss Corelli in the regulation style of the Corelli school of literature, which is light, sometimes clever, frequently tiresome. But this gives her a chance to string out her dialogue and to make reflections on Egyptian and British society and to express her opinion on various other subjects that lie very close to her heart. In the end Ziska gets the artist under the pyramid, and there is some blue fire and odors to close the problem. I don't believe there is anything moral to the tale, and neither is there anything immoral. The cover is one of the most picturesque features of the book.

## Omega Lambda Chi Celebration.

The annual Omega Lambda Chi celebration, took place Monday night, May 24. The various classes assembled at the fence under the leadership of men appointed by the Football Captain. The various buildings were cheered in the regular round of the Campus and finally the column marched through between South Middle and Lyceum. Here the recently adopted tradition of chastising the Freshmen was followed out. After the three upper classes had reached the open Campus they formed a double line extending out towards the Library and with some hesitation the Freshmen followed. Their front ranks stumbled on the stone pavement and about two cords of nineteen hundred blocked the pass as a result. No serious injuries seemed to have resulted, and the rest ran through the gauntlet of upper classmen. As the latter were somewhat unskilled in their efforts to "discipline" the new class. Nineteen hundred escaped without serious damage. There was some talk of a fence rush, but the influence of a few seniors prevailed against it.

The system of chastisement, used on the Freshmen in this exercise, involves principally the use of those muscles called into play in punting contests.

## CALCIUM LIGHT NIGHT.

## Men Given Elections to the Junior Societies Tuesday.

The elections to the Junior Societies were given out in the usual way on the Campus, Tuesday evening May 25. Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Delta Phi appeared at half past nine, and marched to the rooms of their candidates singing their several songs. The following are the chosen men from the Sophomore Class:

Psi Upsilon—Charles Westley Abbott, '99, Plainfield, N. J.; John Brown Adams, '99, New York city; Mason Tyler Adams, '99, Amherst, Mass.; Sullivan Dorr Ames, '99, Providence, R. I.; Charles Augustus Belin, '99, Scranton, Pa.; Coburn Dewees Berry, Jr., '99, Nashville, Tenn.; Henry Wick Chambers, '99, Cleveland, O.; Frederick Martin Davies, '99, New York city; Arthur Wendell Davis, '99, Hartford, Conn.; William Henry Field, '99, Rutland, Vt.; Richard Earp Forrest, '99, Philadelphia, Pa.; Arthur Sears Hamlin, '99, Canandaigua, N. Y.; Dennie Meredith Hare, '99, New York city; Charles Edward Hay, Jr., '99, Springfield, Ill.; Nelson Clarke Holland, '99, Buffalo, N. Y.; Henry Hutchinson Hollister, Jr., '99, New York city; Thomas Kearny, Paris, France; William Delancey Kountze, '99, New York city; Joseph Harrison Morey, '99, Buffalo, N. Y.; George Sturges Oliver, '99, Pittsburg, Pa.; Ord Preston, '99, Englewood, N. J.; Louis Ezekiel Stoddard, '99, New Haven, Conn.; Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, '99, New York city; Eliot Watrous, '99, New Haven, Conn.; William Fitz-Hugh Whitehouse, Jr., '99, New York city.

To D. K. E.—Walter Frederick Bart Berger, of Denver, Col.; Frederick Hiester Brooke, of Birdsboro, Pa.; Jamot Brown, of Chicago, Ill.; Norman Macleod Burrell, of New York City; Hugh Andrew Calahan, Chicago, Ill.; Ledyard Cogswell, Jr., of Albany, N. Y.; Robert Darling, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Murry Witherbee Dodge, of New York City; Charles Martland Fair, of Chicago, Ill.; Thomas Wells Farnam, of New Haven, Conn.; Louis Freeman Greene, of Albany, N. Y.; Merwin Clark Harvey, of Cleveland, O.; Samuel Willis Hawley, of Bridgeport, Conn.; Edward Foote Hinkle, of Ashland, Wis.; Richard Hooker, of New Haven, Conn.; William Roderick Kelley, of Chicago, Ill.; Thomas Skinker Maffitt, of St. Louis, Mo.; James McDewitt Magee, of Pittsburg, Pa.; Alexander Burr Marvin, of New Rochelle, N. Y.; Harrison Grey Otis, of Cleveland, O.; Howard Platt, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Arthur Fitch Way, of Westfield, Mass.; Charles Hopkins Wells, Jr., of Scranton, Pa.; Walter Hart West, of St. Louis, Mo.; William Mersereau Wheeler, of Portville, N. Y.

To Alpha Delta Phi—Charles Griswold Bartlett, jr., of Black Hall, Conn.; Henry Thornton Bowles, of New York City; Charles Asahel Brayton, of Cleveland, Ohio; Charles Horace Conner, jr., of New Albany, Ind.; William Boduinot Conner, of New Albany, Ind.; Dwight Huntington Day, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Clarence Phelps Dodge of New York City; Berne Holbrook Evans, of Pittsburg, Penn.; Anson Conger Goodyear, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Frederick Augustus Gorham, jr., of Grand Rapids, Mich.; William Edward Schenck Griswold, of Erie, Penn.; Thomas Denison Hewitt, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; George Angelo Kernan, of Utica, N. Y.; Thomas Fisher Lawrence, of Hartford, Conn.; Elisha Sears Lewis of Springfield, Mass.; Robert Payson Loomis, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Herbert Morean Morgan, of St. Louis, Mo.; Howard Lawrence O'Fallon, of St. Louis, Mo.; Joseph Coolidge Palmer, of Syracuse, N. Y.; Edward Spencer Parmalee, of New Haven, Conn.; Charles Alonzo Powers, of Cleveland, Ohio; Carroll Fuller Sweet, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Harry Brookings Wallace, of St. Louis, Mo.; Joseph Walker Wear, of St. Louis, Mo.; Guy Wellman, of Friendship, N. Y.

The members of Zeta Psi held their usual annual banquet on Tuesday night and the elections of the following men were announced: William Augustus Barstow of East Orange, N. J.; David Milton Boyd of St. Louis, Mo.; Gerhard Hutchinson Cocks of Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Sterling Johnson, Jr., of East Orange, N. J.; Ballinger Mills of Galveston, Tex.; Marvyn Scudder of New York City; Carl Bovee Spitzer of Toledo, O.; Laurence Tweedy of Danbury, Conn.; Ezra Joseph Warner, Jr., of Lake Forrest, Ill.; Edward Esher Yaggy of Lake Forrest, Ill.

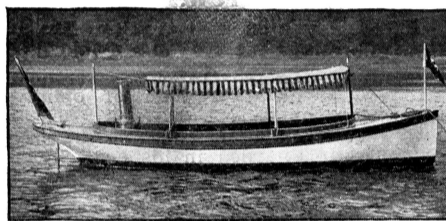
## New Law School Prize.

A valuable prize has been offered to the Law School Faculty by the publishing firm of Edward Thompson & Co., of Northport, L. I., and has been accepted. It is to be awarded annually to that member of the Senior Class who shall be voted to be most faithful and successful in his studies during the course, and will consist either of "The American and English Encyclopedia of Law," or "The Encyclopedia of Practice," according to the wish of the recipient. This year the winner will be selected by a vote which will be taken the latter part of this week, in which every Senior will cast one ballot and every Faculty member five. Hereafter the prize will be awarded on the merits of theses submitted on a given subject.

## Φ. B. K. Catalogue.

The work of collecting material for the catalogue of all past members of the Yale Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, has been progressing rapidly during the past few weeks. It has been deemed advisable, however, to delay the publication of the work until next year. Charles U. Clark, '97, President of the Society, will return to College, and probably superintend its editing.

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