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THE NEXT ISSUE.

The next issue of the YALE ALUMNI WEEKLY will be on September 30th, two weeks from to-day. The current issue is a deviation from the former rule of publishing the paper only during the college term. It is felt that considerable news is ready at this time, and that our readers should be supplied with it. This and other additional issues will raise the total number for this year to forty. This increase is made because there seems to be a necessity for it, in order to allow the paper to do its work properly. There will not however, be any increase in the subscription price of the paper, at least for this year. After September 30th the paper will appear weekly until the Commencement issue, 1898, with the single exception of one week in the holidays.

THE LOAN FUND EXHAUSTED.

With a certain amount of better times at hand and a good deal more in that line promised in the future, the outlook for colleges in general and for Yale in particular is of course proportionately improved. But for all this, men will come to college this year from many homes where the wear and strain of the last three years of depression have reduced the revenues below the point where a collegiate education can be immediately provided for. In other words, there will be an unusual number of men this fall who will need financial help to go through college, without working so hard as to interfere with their studies or to endanger their health.

There has been a loan fund at Yale and it has been used very discreetly and effectively in helping men to tide over such times as will face very many who come into the class of 1901.

But there is no loan fund now. It has loaned itself out of existence temporarily, and there is no reasonable hope that it will be revived to any considerable extent by those who have recently borrowed from it. The latter years have not given an opportunity to return loans of this kind.

Of course a great deal of money in times past has been furnished from this fund to those who have been temporarily in need and who have not yet taken up the notes which they gave at that time. Some of those loans, even though of long standing, cannot at present be made good, but perhaps others can. Such an obligation does

not always seem an immediately pressing one, and is always laid aside during the early years of the building up of one's fortune. It is afterward very easily pushed ahead on the calendar, from one "inconvenient" time to another. It is possible that those who have benefited by such aid as this, and who have not yet found it convenient to return the amounts forwarded, may see in the present situation an especial opportunity, justifying considerable effort on their part to make possible for others, who now need it, the aid which they in their time so much enjoyed and so much appreciated and which proved in their case to have been very wisely given.

Besides the money that has been actually loaned from this fund, an equivalent has been given in a great many cases in the form of abatement of tuition. Those who have received this abatement of tuition have never signed a promise to repay, although many have expressed their intention of so doing. It is also possible that such persons as these, when the present situation is brought to their knowledge, may feel it an especial opportunity for them to express just now in substantial form appreciation of the aid which was given them.

It will certainly be disappointing, and quite out of key with the general way of doing things at Yale, if it shall be necessary to refuse, and perhaps to drive away, very worthy men, who, at this peculiar time, need temporary assistance to properly use their college course.

THE WORK ON THE FIELD.

Those who have never had the pleasant experience of providing for the handling of a lively crowd of 15,000 or more, in a city of the size of New Haven, in a locality not arranged at all for such an event, may not appreciate the services which the Field Corporation is giving to the University, in its conscientious, thorough and effective solving of the problem of the foot ball game on home grounds. An article elsewhere gives the main things done and the plans made. All this, however, does not indicate at all what time and thought have been placed on the matter. Nor is it easy to take into account the very quiet, effective handling of the official side of this question. The Corporation has to do with the town of Orange in the handling of the field property itself. It has to do with the town of New Haven in any efforts made towards improving the approaches to the Field, to better the bridge and roadway. Again, it depends, in a measure, on the street railway corporation for better service in the transportation of the crowd. But the Corporation has met all the troublesome questions which this situation has brought up in a firm, business-like way, and has slowly worked out what will undoubtedly be a very satisfactory solution. If everything has not been done this year to make the handling of a great crowd perfect, it will not be due to any failure on their part to improve the opportunity.

YALE FOOT BALL.

The foot ball season at Yale has never opened in recent years under quite such interesting circumstances. The record of the past twelve months is very bad. Basing predictions on ordinary grounds, the outlook for this year is as bad as it could be. Only four veteran players are in college and one of these is a captain who has had typhoid fever in the summer. Yet this year Yale has to face not only her old antagonist Princeton, with her invincible line of last year almost unbroken,

but must renew her foot ball struggles with Harvard, who is also well supplied with veteran material. Yale's reputation suffered badly last year, principally from her inability to defend, although Yale defence had become before that synonymous with strength. The rebuilding of a new system of defence is a long piece of work.

There is one pleasant aspect to the situation. It shows a state of affairs so inconsistent with Yale's traditions, so repugnant to Yale's pride, so contradictory to everything that should be expected, that it may rouse Yale spirit to a manifestation that will be healthful and helpful. It may show Yale that something more than the methods of ten years ago are necessary for the proper conduct of athletics in 1897, with an undergraduate body twice the size it then was and much less closely united than in the older day. It may put into practice a system that will draw into the healthful exercise of foot ball (and into all other healthful exercise) several times as many of the student body as have hitherto enjoyed it. If it does these things, there will be more silver lining than cloud in our sky.

In the meantime it is probably unnecessary to remind every man who knows aught of foot ball, that his counsel and help is absolutely necessary at New Haven this fall, and that he is expected to give up from business and pleasure just as much time as he can find, in order to help Mr. Rodgers and Mr. Benjamin through the most difficult situation that has faced foot ball leaders for very many years.

The WEEKLY must be again allowed to urge Yale men who have news to let us have it. Our regular correspondents are appreciating the opportunities which they have to serve us more and more, and are thereby making this a better newspaper. But if those who are not regularly in the position of correspondents would remember to drop us a line whenever an event of interest to Yale or to any number of Yale men occurs, it would help the paper a great deal. If those who feel inclined to give us occasional assistance in this way will let us know, we will be pleased to furnish cards and return envelopes in order to facilitate their work.

A Student's Successful Burglar Hunt.

Early in the morning of July 28, David C. Twichell, Yale '98, President of the Yale Football Association, held up at the point of his rifle, and later delivered to the police, a young man named Charles King, who was attempting burglary at the Twichell house on Woodland street, Hartford. Mr. Twichell was alone in the house, the rest of the family being in Keene Valley. Twichell, who had run his man down in the veranda, discovered from him the name of his associate, who had left the house just in time to get away from the possible operation of the rifle, and was able to direct the police so as to effect his capture shortly after. The second burglar was named Winters. He came from a good family in Hartford and went to the same district school with Twichell.

Lockwood Scholarship Founded.

By the will of Miss Julia A. Lockwood of Norwalk, Conn., which was offered for probate in that city on Aug. 24, Yale University is bequeathed \$5,000 for the establishment of a scholarship to be known as the "Lockwood Scholarship." F. St. John Lockwood, '49, is named as executor.

To 1901.

You have now turned a new leaf in your book. We do not mean this in the half-slang sense in which it generally is spoken, but that in becoming members of a great university you have opened on a new period in your lives. In that sense the new leaf lies before you. Virgin to your hand it waits for the writing you must place there. What you are to do and be here at Yale, what you are to accomplish for the pleasuring of those at home, what you are to make of your intellectual and moral self, all this will make up the record that that page will bear.

This sounds like a sermon, possibly. If so, we venture to say it is because sermons have a way of dealing with some such evident allegory as this, and of drawing through it and from it good advice. In so far as that, this is a sermon,—but notice that it is a very short one, and know that it is meant for your own good.

This is our advice. Seize hold of everything that can in any honorable way help you to leave a good record here, and to carry with you as much as possible of the help Old Yale can give. Nor can any one thing be of greater assistance to you, acting at once as a balance-wheel and incentive in almost all you do, than Life Insurance in a reliable company.

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Pres. Woolsey's Opinion.

It was referred to in one of the June issues of the YALE ALUMNI WEEKLY. "A good hotel," the President once said, "is a necessity to the College."

It was the result of this opinion emphatically expressed and forcibly applied to the situation that put Mr. Moseley in charge of the New Haven House thirty years ago. Since that time this house has been not only the city's best known hotel, but in a very real sense an institution of Yale. Like the latter it has developed to meet the needs of the times, and its equipment is thoroughly up to date and of the first class.

Yale Law School.

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