

ALUMNI NOTES.

[Graduates are invited to contribute to this column.]

'38—Rev. Edward Strong will spend the Winter at Clifton Springs, N. Y., where he is being treated for rheumatism.

'53—The Court of Appeals has handed down an order appointing Joseph A. Welch of New York City a member of the State Board of Law Examiners, for the term of three years from January 1, 1898. He was an Assistant District Attorney of New York County, and succeeds Austen G. Fox of New York City on the State Board of Examiners.

'57—Rev. Dr. Augustus H. Strong, President of the Rochester Theological Seminary, has recently published a book upon the religion of the great poets, which is attracting much attention among theologians.

'60—Institute of France, Cuvier Prize. At the Académie des Sciences held at Paris, December 13, 1897, the Cuvier Prize of 1,500 francs was awarded to Professor O. C. Marsh, of Yale University. This prize is "awarded every three years for the most remarkable work either on the Animal Kingdom or on Geology."

The Cuvier Prize is generally regarded as the highest honor in natural science, and hitherto has been given to only two persons in this country, Agassiz and Leidy. The former, however, was a native of Switzerland, and there the special work was done for which the prize was awarded.

'63—Colonel Oliver H. Payne is having a new steam yacht built, which will be the largest ever built in this country. A detailed account of this new yacht appeared recently in the New York Herald.

'74 L.S.—Charles S. Hamilton has been elected on the Democratic ticket of New Haven for first Selectman.

'74 S.—Arthur B. Clafin recently won the Golf Cup in the handicap tournament of the Ocean County Hunt and Country Club of Lakewood, N. J.

'75—Frank H. Jones, who was assistant Postmaster General under Cleveland, has opened a law office in Chicago.

'76 L.S.—Eli Mix has been appointed a member and is the President of the New Haven Police Commission.

'76—William T. Strong is on the Faculty of the Boston English High School. He teaches the modern languages.

'77—Timothy D. Merwin has recently moved from St. Paul, Minn., to New York City, where he will engage in patent law.

'79—Henry A. Buffum has changed his address from Ashmont, Mass., to Dorchester, Mass.

'79—Governor Black has announced the appointment of Severyn B. Sharpe of Kingston as County Judge of Ulster County, N. Y.

'80 S.—About a hundred friends of E. Theophilus Liefeld, of New Haven, met him at a farewell dinner on December 31st and wished him bon voyage and a successful career as United States consul at Freiberg, Germany, to which office he was recently appointed by President McKinley. Mr. Liefeld will sail for Europe shortly.

'81—Dr. Henry S. Durand has effected several valuable inventions for raising the gearing of bicycles.

'84 L.S.—Mayor Van Wyck of Greater New York has appointed Alfred M. Downes to be his private secretary.

'84 M.S.—Henry L. Swain had an article entitled "Two Cases of Foreign Bodies in the Throat" in the December issue of the Yale Medical Journal.

'84 M.S.—Oliver T. Osborne has an article headed "A Case of Acromegaly: Autopsy: Skeleton" in the December number of the Yale Medical Journal.

'87—George D. Pettee is spending the Winter traveling in Europe.

'87—The engagement has been announced of Mr. James R. Sheffield of New York City to Miss Edith Tod, daughter of Mrs. John Tod of Cleveland, Ohio.

'88—Owing to the death of Sidney B. Roby, Sr., the business house in Rochester, N. Y., of which he was the head, has been reorganized and will continue under the management of his sons, Sidney B. Roby, '88, and William S. Roby, '90 S.

'89 L.S.—James J. Buchanan has been nominated by the New Haven Democrats for the office of Selectman.

'89—W. H. Page has begun the practice of law in Columbus, Ohio. His office is No. 28 Board of Trade Building.

'90—Wallace D. Simmons has been elected President of the Simmons Hardware Co. of St. Louis.

'90—The Rev. John H. Strong has accepted the pastorate of a Baptist Church, in New Britain, Conn.

'90 S.—James M. Murdoch is now a physician on the staff of the Pennsylvania Hospital for Insane, at Dixmont, Pa.

'91—Russell K. Forsyth is with the Marshall-Kennedy Milling Company, of Allegheny, Pa.

'91—Starling W. Childs has just been elected President of the Shadyside Academy Alumni Association.

'91—Winthrop S. G. Noyes, who for the past year has been associated with the firm of Noyes Bros. and Cutler of St. Paul, Minn., is now in St. Luke's Hospital in that city recovering from a recent operation for appendicitis.

'91—William J. Leverett of Binghamton, N. Y., is stationed by the Presbyterian Foreign Mission Board on an island off the southeastern coast of China, called Hainan. This is the island that the newspaper dispatches claim has been seized by the French.

'92—Charles B. Sears is now practicing law in Buffalo, N. Y.

'92—Andrew J. Balliet is in the Klondike and has met with some success.

'92—Erman J. Ridgway is managing the Hotel Mohegan at New London, Conn.

'92—Edward Boltwood has accepted a position with Harper and Brothers, Publishers, New York.

'92 S.—Edward H. Simmons has been elected Secretary of the Simmons Hardware Co. of St. Louis.

'92—Ernest B. Millard has opened a law office at 1121 and 1123 Granite Building, Rochester, N. Y.

'92 S.—Dr. Theodore C. Janeway's engagement to Miss Eleanor C. Alderson, of Overbrook, Pa., has been announced.

'92—Henry S. Haskell is in charge of one of the departments of Munsey's Magazine, at 111 Fifth av., New York City.

'92—Wilbur P. Fish, of Bath, N. Y., has been recently appointed Commissioner for Loaning United States Moneys. He is associated in the law business with the Hon. J. F. Parkhurst, Judge of the Court of Claims.

'92—James W. Husted of Peekskill, N. Y., who has been a member of the New York State Assembly, was not re-elected this year. This is the first session for many years that Westchester County has not been represented in the State Assembly by a Husted who was a graduate of Yale.

'93—Henry S. Bacon has begun the practice of law in Rochester, N. Y., in association with his father, the Honorable Theodore Bacon.

'93—Thomas A. Gardiner has been admitted to partnership in the firm of Redmond, Kerr & Co., 41 Wall st., New York.

'93—Beecher M. Crouse is in the wholesale grocery business with his father. His address is John M. Crouse & Son, Broad and John streets, Utica, N. Y.

'93—William L. Newton is a member of the Albro J. Newton Company of Brooklyn, organized to manufacture mouldings, sashes, doors, blinds, etc., and to deal in lumber. The capital stock is \$125,000; the directors are Albro J. Newton, William L. Newton, Lester A. Lewis and Samuel S. Balcom.

Ex-'93 S.—The marriage of Mr. William B. Brayton and Miss Virginia Higgins will take place in St. Paul's church, Cleveland, Ohio, on January 20th. C. A. Brayton, '99, will act as best man. The following men will act as ushers: Dan Loring, '91 S.; Charles McLane, '93 S.; Sheldon Cary, '93 S.; and Lee Johnson, '95 S.

'94—John M. Ferguson is with the firm of Metcalf & Ferguson, Pittsburg, Pa.

'94 S.—Eugene L. Messler is with the Carnegie Steel Company at Pittsburg, Pa.

'94 M.S.—Ernest H. Arnold is Vice-President and an instructor in the Anderson Gymnasium at New Haven, Conn.

'94 S.—Loomis Burrell has been put in charge of the laboratory in his father's

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The Family's Point of View.

IF you are thirty-five years old and are in good health, and are earning \$100 a month, your life, on which this earning depends, is worth \$22,700 in cash to-day to your family. If you die they lose the \$100 a month, the equivalent of which is the \$22,700. The cash value of your life to them is therefore \$22,700. They lose that if you die.

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Obituary.

REV. WILLIAM W. TAYLOR, '34.

Rev. William W. Taylor died at his home in Wilmington, Del., Dec. 26, aged 87 years. His death was caused by a complication of diseases together with old age. He leaves no family, his wife and children having died before him.

Mr. Taylor was born in Wilmington, Del., June 10, 1811. He received his early education in the public schools, especially the Friends' School, and then went to Yale College to finish his education. He graduated from the College in 1834, and began preaching soon after. Among his early charges were Olivet and Greenhill churches in Philadelphia. He was pastor of the Presbyterian church which Mrs. McKinley's mother and father attended, and married them, and was a life-long friend of the President and his wife. Among Mr. Taylor's other early charges were the churches at Penn Yan, N. Y., and Shipmansburg, Pa.

JAMES S. THOMPSON, '77.

James S. Thompson died at Stockton, California, Thursday, Dec. 30, at the age of 43 years. He suffered a long illness.

James Smith Thompson was born in East Haven on December 19, 1854, and was the son of Edward F. Thompson. He was prepared for College at the Commercial and Collegiate Institute of General Russell, and received his degree from Yale in 1877. He began the practice of law in New Haven, and entered the office of Wright & Stoddard, to which firm he was admitted as a junior partner after a few years. He afterwards became a member of the law firm of Stoddard, Loomis & Thompson, the senior members of which were William B. Stoddard and Seymour C. Loomis.

He was elected by the Republicans of his native town as member of the House of Representatives in 1887, and while a member was appointed Assistant Judge of the city court, which office he held until 1891. His health began to fail him at that time, and upon the expiration of his term of office he went to the milder climate of the Pacific coast to reside.

He leaves one brother, Edward F. Thompson of East Haven.

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