

COLLEGE NEWS OF NEW YORK.

University Glee Club Concert—
Alumni Dinners—Yale
Club Notes.

[Correspondence of YALE ALUMNI WEEKLY]

New York, Feb. 1.—On Thursday evening last the seventh private concert of the University Glee Club of New York City was given in the concert hall of the Madison Square Garden, before an appreciative audience. Mr. Arthur D. Woodruff was the conductor, and the Club was assisted by Miss Leontine Gaertner, celliste, and Mlle. Alice Verlet, de L'Opera Comique, of Paris. Lander's orchestra played before and after the concert and during the intermission. The program was:

PART I.

I.

Witlaf, the King of the Saxons, Hatton.
The Alpine Fay, Kremser.

II.

For Violoncello. Davidoff.
Andante, Popper.
Mazurka, Miss Leontine Gaertner.

III.

College Songs.
Gaudeamus,
The Bull Dog on the Bank,

IV.

Shadow Song (Soprano), Meyerbeer.
Mademoiselle Alice Verlet.

V.

Forest Harps, Spicker.

PART II.

I.

a. The Jolly Musician, N. von Wilm.
b. At Evening, DeBois.

II.

For Violoncello. Klengel.
Intermezzo, Piatti.
Spanish Dances, Miss Leontine Gaertner.

III.

Jabberwocky, Chadwick.

IV.

For Soprano. Massenet.
Serenade du Passant, Rossini.
Tarantella, Mademoiselle Alice Verlet.

V.

College Songs.
A Little Knot of Blue, Carm. Yalen.
The Orange and the Black,
Carm. Princetonia.

THE CLUB ITSELF.

As is probably well known, the University Glee Club was organized in March, 1894, and incorporated in July of the same year. It is composed of graduates of a number of different colleges residing in New York, and has at present some fifty-seven active members, almost a fifth of whom are Yale men. There is, besides, an associate membership of over one hundred and fifty. The officers of the Club for the year are: President, J. Edward Weld; Vice-President, George E. Wood; Secretary, Noah H. Swayne, 2d; Treasurer, Bert L. Fenner; Music Committee, the President, ex-officio chairman, Russell H. Hoadley, Frank C. Hoyt and Edward W. Bill; Librarian, S. C. Mead; Conductor, Arthur D. Woodruff.

COLLEGE DINNERS AND MEETINGS.

From all indications the forthcoming dinner of the New York alumni on February 14th will be the most successful in the history of the Association. In consequence of the decision of the Brooklyn Association to hold no banquet this year, it is believed the New York meeting will be an exceptional one in point of attendance.

The following circular in regard to the dinner, signed by Julian W. Curtiss, Secretary, has been sent out:

"A dinner will be given under the auspices of the Yale Alumni Association of New York, and under the management of the Dinner Committee, at Sherry's, corner of Thirty-seventh street and Fifth avenue, on Monday evening, February 14th, at 7 o'clock.

"All Yale men, whether members or not, and wherever residing, are invited.

The price of tickets, covering wines and cigars, is \$5, the Association paying all expense beyond receipts from tickets.

"The dinner will be served at small tables. Eight or twelve persons—possibly more—can secure a separate table upon or after purchasing tickets by making written application therefor, giving the names of their party. Such application must be made on or before February 10th. Requests of two or more persons to be seated together should be made on or before the same date, but such requests received up to the day of the dinner will be complied with so far as possible. Where no requests are made, seats will be assigned by the Committee.

"Applications for tickets, seats and tables should be sent to William A. Copp, Esq., Treasurer, 35 Wall street, New York. Applications for tickets should be accompanied by check.

"The Debating team and the Football team will be guests." The names of the Dinner Committee have been already printed in the WEEKLY.

On Saturday evening at the Yale Club the Class of Ninety-Six met together for a dinner and reunion. Over thirty men sat down to table and more came in later. The class has been trying to hold a meeting for some time, but has been unable to heretofore for various reasons.

At seven o'clock on Tuesday evening, February 1st, the officers of the Alumni Fund Association and the class agents will hold a business meeting at the Club.

YALE CLUB AFFAIRS.

Outside of the Ninety-Six dinner there has been little in the way of entertainments going on at the Club. A Committee on Entertainments, consisting of Payson Merrill, '65, who has resigned from the Committee on Admissions, and Noah H. Swayne, 2d, has been appointed and will from now on have these matters in charge. A third member is to be added to the committee at an early date. The committee now has under consideration a handicap pool tournament, to be held some time in February, if possible.

In the Club library additions are being made from time to time in the way of books, and the committee in charge also report a fairly large amount of money received. Among the recent gifts are fifty volumes given by Henry Holt, '62, and twenty-eight by E. R. Lampson, '93, while a fine etching of Temple street, New Haven, has been presented by Mr. E. D. Worcester, Jr., '76.

Several changes have been made recently in the Committee on Admissions, which is at present made up as follows:

To serve till April, 1898—Charles C. Deming, '72; Samuel W. Lambert, '80; William B. Goodwin, '86; James D. Layng, '95 S.; Elisha E. Garrison, '97.

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To serve till April, 1900—J. Metcalfe Thomas, '86 S.; Hector W. Thomas, '88; Thomas Denny, Jr., '92 S.; David T. Stuart, '96; Grosvenor T. Nicholas, '96 S.

Twenty-one new members were admitted on Wednesday, January 26th.

President Patton on Drinking.

President Patton of Princeton has been talking recently to the students down there about drinking. The two practical points of his address are: first, that a student doesn't really need any stimulants, and is generally better off without them; and second, that the Pauline doctrine of individual conduct is the one which must always guide any right-minded young man in his attitude towards this question. This is the doctrine which regulates personal conduct by the influence which it has upon others. Of course, it is always to be assumed that an individual has reckoned with his duty to himself in the first place. The New York Sun, which always has a keen editorial interest in these ethical questions, agrees with President Patton that "the youthful spirits of college students are abundant enough naturally to make their artificial stimulation wholly unnecessary." It continues: "When they are further excited in the few who use

alcohol intemperately the result is all the more offensive on that account. Under the artificial exhilaration the boys pass beyond the limits of tolerable boisterousness and bring reproach on the whole college community.

"The truth is that in our climate and under our social conditions it would be better for college boys to drink nothing at all in the way of alcoholic beverages. They do not need them, and abstinence from the use of them would serve the interests of the physical and intellectual health of the youth. For the most part, however, they must be left to put this restraint on themselves, for the mere prohibition of drinking and the taking of drastic measures for its enforcement as a matter of college discipline might tend only to give to drink the irresistible attraction which belongs to forbidden fruit, in youthful minds especially. Like the social circles to which Dr. Patton referred, they feel the influence of the present disposition to frown upon breaches of temperance as inexcusable offences against good manners. But, as we have intimated, if they let alone stimulants they will be better off."

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