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MAXIMS FOR THE YALE.

A Brace of Guns for Her Bow the Gift from Yale.

A pair of guns for the bow of the Cruiser Yale, is the gift of Yale. Since the last issue of the WEEKLY this course has been decided upon by the Committee. It was in line with the plan most acceptable to the Navy and at the same time to the men of Yale, graduate and undergraduate. The plan was accomplished by the quick and energetic and well directed work of Mr. John A. Porter, '78, the Secretary to the President, who took the Washington end of the plan in hand and put it through.

These guns were placed on the Yale before she sailed and she now carries them as most effective pieces of armament for her work. When the cruiser next puts into port, which should be within a few days, these guns can receive the simple inscription plates, which will indicate their source. The inscription will read: "Presented to the United States Cruiser Yale, by the students and graduates of Yale University, May, 1898."

The guns are of Maxim make and rapid fire. The description received from Washington says they are three pounders, with a range of two and a half miles. They are evidently of the semi-automatic plan and can be aimed and fired easily from twelve to fifteen times a minute. The projectiles of this style of gun pierce four inches of armor plate and should be effective against the attack of a torpedo boat. The guns are nine and a half feet long.

The total cost is \$5,200, and the sum must be at once forthcoming. At writing, not less than \$3,000 is needed to meet the bill. The original subscription was on the dollar basis and so the amount to date is not where it otherwise would be. As large subscriptions as any can give are now solicited.

The total amount received from the graduates at this office to date is \$600. The different alumni associations have only begun to be heard from. Cincinnati has done very handsomely and good work is under way in Hartford, Buffalo, Boston, Philadelphia, Waterbury and many other places.

A more detailed account of the subscriptions will be made in another issue.

Phi Beta Kappa Catalogue.

The catalogue of the Yale Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, which has for a long time been in preparation, appeared from the publishers this week. This is the second catalogue ever issued by the Yale Chapter, and in it are included the names of members and officers from 1853 to 1898, with a comprehensive history of the society from its foundation in 1776. The first catalogue appeared in 1852, giving the members and history of the Yale Chapter from its organization in 1780.

The present catalogue was issued under the editorial supervision of a committee from the Class of Ninety-Eight, consisting of James Robinson Smith, Charles Welles Gross and Peter Hagner Holme, who have carried out the work

inaugurated by the Class of Ninety-Seven. The book is an attractively bound and neatly printed volume of 126 pages. The title page bears a copy of the seal used by the Chapter when only three chapters existed—those of William and Mary, Yale and Harvard. The last catalogue (1780-1852) contained the names of 1640 members, and the present one gives 1300 members—a total of 2940 in the 118 years of the Chapter's existence. Of this number about 1240 are now living. A few important facts in the life of each member are given, together with degrees conferred, occupations, and important official positions, and the present addresses of living members. The historical sketch of the Society is contributed by George Dwight Kellogg, '95, and a short review of the Yale Chapter as it now exists is given by the editors.

Phi Beta Kappa has come to be a firmly established institution at Yale. The Chapter has graduate and undergraduate officers, and every year provides a University course of lectures by distinguished speakers. The Senior members hold bi-weekly meetings to which hereafter will be admitted the Junior members, who are initiated at the Spring banquet. The Society will soon be able to occupy the new rooms being fitted up in White Hall, the free use of which has been given to the Chapter by the Corporation. The Yale Chapter rests entirely on a scholarship basis, the only qualification for membership being the attainment of the rank of Philosophical Oration in the Junior and Senior appointments. The standard of the Society has been raised from time to time, increasing the value of membership and the honor of an election. The year 1901, which marks the 125th anniversary of the founding of the Society, will be observed by a reunion of Phi Beta Kappa men, to be held during Yale's 200th anniversary celebration. The Society at present has forty chapters, and fifteen new colleges will apply for charters in September.

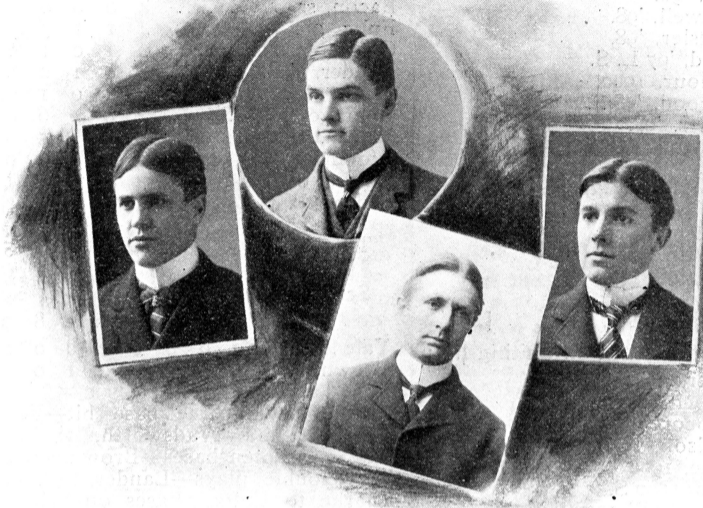
Mr. Kellogg's sketch of the history of Phi Beta Kappa is very carefully prepared, and affords an interesting view of the growth and advancement of the Society since the inception of the first Chapter in 1776 at the College of William and Mary. Yale was the second College to possess a Chapter, and the story is often told of the founding of the Chapter in New Haven by Elisha Parmelee in 1780, while on his return from Virginia to found a Chapter at Harvard. The early history of these chapters is full of interest, and the introduction of Phi Beta Kappa into New England is one of the romantic incidents in American College history.

Intercollegiate Athletic Ass'n.

The Executive Committee of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association met on April 26th, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York. Mr. E. Q. McVitty of Princeton, and Mr. I. Newton Swift of Yale, presented a report on the case of Captain E. J. Brown of the University of California. Mr. McVitty reported that Captain Brown had failed to prove his charges of professionalism among the college athletes in the East; the Executive Committee therefore suspended him for two years and recommended that he be expelled from the I. A. A. A., at the next meeting of the Association.

Mr. W. B. Curtis of New York, who is to be the referee in the Intercollegiate Games on May 27th and 28th, presented the names of several judges of the different events. A complete list of officials will be decided upon at the meeting of the Executive Committee on May 6th.

LIGHT BATTERY ORGANIZERS.



F. V. Chappell, '98 S.

D. C. Twichell, '98.

H. Parkhurst, '98 S.

C. C. Jones, '98.

Intercollegiate Golf.

The annual Intercollegiate Golf Tournament, held at Ardsley-on-the-Hudson, began Wednesday with a thirty-six hole medal-play match for the individual championship. The match was open to all college undergraduates. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia play for the Intercollegiate championship. The make-up of the Harvard team will be chosen from the following:

J. F. Curtis, '99, Captain; W. Bayard Cutting, Jr., 1900; J. H. Choate, Jr., 1 Law; G. McC. Sargent, '99; I. Townsend Burden, Jr., 1 Law, and M. S. Barger, '98.

Yale's team will play in the following order: J. Reid, Jr., '99; R. Betts, '98; R. Terry, Jr., '98, Captain; W. B. Smith, '99; T. M. Robertson, 1901; R. H. Crowell, '98.

Princeton—W. D. Vanderpool, Louis P. Bayard, Jr., J. Stuart, J. J. Blair, Jr., C. H. Murphy and W. Childs.

Columbia—W. H. Dixon, Cornelius Fellowes, Jr., Louis Livingston, Jr., Benjamin Darrach, H. C. Mortimer, S. F. Morris, Jr., and Monson Morris.

A YALE PLATOON.

Final Result of Horse Artillery Plan.—Consists of Forty Men.

Since the last issue of the WEEKLY the plans for the organization of the Yale Horse Battery have undergone a change, which though disappointing to the men, could not discourage their earnest attempt to put a body of fighting men at the service of the Governor. It was originally intended to recruit the full battery from Yale students, and one hundred and fifty had signed the papers when word came from Governor Cooke that Battery A of Branford, which was an old and well organized body, would of necessity have the preference in filling the battery requirements in Connecticut's quota of troops.

It was suggested, however, that as the Branford battery was not complete, the Yale men might go as a platoon of that battery with their own officers. This met with the approval of Captain Honce of Battery A, and Messrs. Parkhurst and Chappell, who have borne the brunt of the work of recruiting here, accepted it as the only thing open to them and set about meeting the changed conditions. As an entire platoon consists of but forty men, the first forty who applied for service two weeks ago were given the preference and these signed State enlistment papers on Tuesday night. Besides these forty, twenty men taken in the order of their original signing and holding numbers from 1 to 20 will be taken along. If any of the preferred ones fail to pass the physical examination his place will be filled by the lowest number holder in line.

The volunteers assembled in the Second Regiment Armory Wednesday morning, and were marched to the 11.30 train for Niantic, accompanied by a crowd of 500 students, who cheered and sang patriotic and College songs till the train pulled out of the depot. Drilling will begin at Niantic to-day.

Please do as much as you can as soon as you can to make up the \$5,200 for the Maxim guns for the Yale. The more promptly the sum is made up the better for Yale. Please do not wait for a personal call. Checks can be made payable to YALE ALUMNI WEEKLY, Agent, and sent to this office.

New York Concert.

The annual New York concert of the University Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs will be given at the Waldorf-Astoria on Wednesday, May 18. The names of the committee in charge are not yet decided upon.

Owing to the continued rainy weather the annual closed scratch games of the Yale Athletic Association, which were to have taken place last Saturday, have been postponed until this afternoon, Thursday, May 5.