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## THE ONLY MEANS.

Yale athletics are not in the most encouraging condition. In at least three branches things are at sixes and sevens. But the football situation can be redeemed. The right kind of coaching and enough of it the next ten days will do it.

## WHY NOT MORE SEATS?

The rush for seats for the big football games is already under way. As closely and carefully and conscientiously as the distribution of seats is now guarded, the fact remains that many people who ought to have the tickets do not have them or else have those which are not very desirable. As long as it is possible to increase the number of good seats, we do not quite see why it is not done. The seats certainly would sell and the point has not been reached yet where it is necessary to call a halt to the crowds on account of their size or character. So with good people to sell them to, it simply means having more money, and that means less of a burden on the alumni and the undergraduates for the proper support of athletics.

## THE CHAMBER CONCERTS.

The evenings are generally filled up in a University town like New Haven. But the number of entertainments of the very first class are never too numerous and New Haven has certainly never been surfeited with good music. It would be a very serious mistake for people to lose sight, amid all the other engagements of the winter, of the dates of such choice entertainments as the Chamber concerts. They are, in a way, a part of the education of the students who are here, but it is the good fortune of others who live in New Haven that they can share in them.

If the graduates in town appreciated the situation, they would hardly need to be talked to about it. The concerts have not lacked of support; but the price is put so low in order to open the door to as many as possible, that the appreciation must be general and generous, in order to justify the step.

People can go to these concerts and pay only a little more than half as much as they are required to for similar entertainments in such a city as Hartford, and less than half the price that is asked for such an entertainment in New York.

Those who have mislaid their notices,

or wish for any information as to securing tickets, may write to the WEEKLY. We will be very glad to send a prompt answer to any inquiries.

## THE INTEREST IN DEBATE.

At Yale we look to students in any matter in which students are particularly of interest in debate. The point was made that the college need only to be taught to appreciate platform work, and that they would then, without doubt, show their appreciation of platform workers.

At Yale we look to students in those matters in which students are particularly interested, leaving the responsibility on them for its development and its good handling. More and more debate has been placed alongside of athletics as an intercollegiate struggle; so more and more do critics look to the students to take care of it, just as they look to them to care for athletics.

Is this reasonable? Is it not easy to go too far in this direction? Athletics are self-stimulating. It is natural for youth to love them, and the only difficulty that has been found in connection with them has been that of restraining the interest within reasonable bounds. It is not so with debate. Without the stimulating and inspiring presence of great debaters the general atmosphere becomes one of indifference towards the subject; and since this country has lacked such great debaters, and since those who have taken the platform have been, in a large majority of cases, verbose declaimers, there has been indifference and sometimes disgust with the whole subject. The feeling has grown that the orator was a man of words. "It is better to do things than to be windy," is the popular philosophy. We all know the importance of the talent of oratory in the public service and that the power of the orator has not been taken away from him by the power of the printed page. The fact was stated by Dr. Depew, in an address at New Haven, at one of the intercollegiate debates, that you can count on the fingers of one hand the men in New York to-day who can always be relied upon for effective platform service. And everybody knows that those men are overworked.

The need is for special effort to keep in the mind of students the high importance of this art. Is Yale doing everything that she can in this line? Is oratory set before the general body of students as it should be? It is impossible that this is so. Look at our Ten Eyck and Townsend men. They have excellent training for a very brief season, but the result is often pathetic, and we wonder less at the lack of interest in the efforts of Ten Eyck and Townsend speakers, when we see how they speak. It cannot be otherwise without plenty of training orators are made.

The great majority of men go through Yale without ever realizing how much they lack in their inability to think on their feet, and to express their thoughts in language which is not only clear, but pleasant and attractive and forcible.

Ought this thing so to be, and must not this end of the problem be tackled before we can satisfactorily revive debate?

The report which has been more or less in circulation for a number of months that, in January next, Professor George J. Brush's term as Director of the Sheffield Scientific School would expire and that he was unwilling to make any new arrangements to continue longer in the service, has found its way into the newspapers. Professor Brush declines to make any statement

in the matter whatever. The report is not a great surprise to the friends of the School, for they have been expecting such a decision for a long while. They now generally admit with regret that it is probably true. However, the matter will not be considered definitely settled until some official announcement is made. There will be time enough when that comes, if it does come, to review the story of Professor Brush's conspicuously successful administration. Professor Brush has been a professor in the Scientific School for forty-three years and has been its executive head since 1872.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

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'97 T.S.—Rev. Austin Rice has resigned the pastorate of the Congregational Church of Forest Grove, Ore., and returned to his home in Danvers, Mass.

'97 T.S.—Rev. C. S. Macfarland is the author of an article in a recent issue of *The Open Church* on "The Christian and Philanthropic Work of Yale Students in New Haven."

'98—D. L. Eddy is at the Johns Hopkins Medical School.

'98—B. C. Benner is teaching in the High School at Wellesley.

'98—Gustavus E. Warren is teaching school at Malakoff, Texas.

'98—Walter L. Vaughan has entered the Louisville Law School.

'98 S.—J. L. McLaren is reporter on the Chicago *Times-Herald*.

'98 S.—Norman C. Spencer is in the office of the City Surveyor, Hartford, Conn.

'98—Abner P. Hayes has recently become engaged to Miss Fish of New London, Conn.

'98 S.—Irvin W. Sanford is making a map of the roads of the township of Salisbury, Conn.

'98—H. D. Reeve has accepted a position in the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

'98—H. E. Butler is in the office of C. D. Barnev & Company, Bankers, of Philadelphia, Pa.

'98—H. B. Woolston is studying in the Graduate Divinity School of the University of Chicago.

'98—Frank J. Born, who has been ill with typhoid fever at the New Haven Hospital, is recovering.

'98—R. C. Neal, Jr., has accepted a position in the Harrisburg Rolling Mill at Harrisburg, Pa.

'98—Walter Meigs is with the Davis and Lawrence Company, dealers in drugs, Montreal, Canada.

'98—Thadeous H. Claypool has been recently married to Miss Claudia Robbins of Oak Grove, Texas.

'98—A. C. Harrison has entered the office of Harvey, Fisk & Son, bankers, 29 Nassau street, New York.

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'98 T.S.—Quincy Blakely has accepted a call to the Congregational Church of South Glastonbury, Conn.

'98 S.—Walter L. Worrall has received his discharge from the Yale Battery A, and has entered the Harvard Law School.

'98 T.S.—J. P. Deane, who is Dwight Fellow for this year, is studying in the graduate class of the Theological School.

'98—Darius E. Peck, in addition to studying law in his father's office, will teach Greek and Latin in the Hudson Public High School after Nov. 1.

'98—W. N. Vaile is sick with typhoid fever in Cambridge, Mass. He was in Battery A, Connecticut Volunteers, but is now in the Harvard Law School.

'98—Dallas C. Byers has returned from Europe, where he has been spending the Summer, and will go into the iron business with his father, A. M. Byers, of Pittsburg, Pa.

## Alumnae Notes.

'94 Ph.D.—Miss Laura J. Wylie is Professor of English at Vassar College.

'94 Ph.D.—Miss E. D. Hanscom is Instructor in English Literature at Smith College.

'96 Ph.D.—Kate H. Claghorn has been appointed Secretary and Treasurer of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae. Her address is Richmond Hill, N. Y.

'96 Ph.D.—Miss Anna A. Cutler is Instructor in Ethics at Smith College.

'94 Ph.D.—Miss Mary A. Scott is teaching at Smith College.

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Other articles in this issue are:

Types of Horses in the Show-Ring,  
by A. H. Godfrey  
The Golf Championship, by H. L. FitzPatrick  
The Yarn of the Yampa, by E. L. H. McGinnis  
The Year's Lawn Tennis, by J. Parnley Paret  
Up Vesuvius, by Emma T. Wilkinson  
A Thanksgiving Deer Hunt, by B. W. Mitchell  
The Chicago Athletic Club,  
by John W. Hipwell  
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by Helen M. Stafford  
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