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THE RESIGNATIONS.

Last week brought out an unusual combination of events of the greatest importance to Yale. By the resignation on the same day of the head of the University and the head of the Scientific School a distinct epoch is created in Yale's history. Of the real significance of the facts it is yet too early to properly write.

It is too early also to try to reproduce here the chapters of Yale history which will be closed by the retirement of these men from office. The University has not quite accustomed itself to the thought that the President is to leave at the close of this year. Despite the whisperings for many years that he would not remain in office beyond his seventieth year, circumstances had combined to make it seem most improbable that such a plan could be literally carried out. The news when it came was nothing less than sensational. The expressed wish of the Corporation that he would remain through the Bi-Centennial has been refused by the President, and it is not like him to reconsider his determination, although very strong pressure will be brought to bear on him to that end. Until the matter is definitely settled we shall defer the review of the second Dwight administration. It is a large subject and things of the utmost importance to Yale are included in it.

The resignation of Professor Brush had been expected, but is none the less important on that account. In the near future the WEEKLY hopes to present some of the more salient points of his making of the Scientific School. Those, however, have really been brought out in the history of the School that was written from so different and interesting standpoints at the time of the Semi-Centennial celebration a year ago. Writing the history of the Scientific School and writing the administration of Professor Brush are two pieces of work on almost identical lines. As to the man who takes up the work where Professor Brush left it, we can only say at present that his choice is very strongly commended by those familiar with the School and with him.

Only one thing more. With the closing of another chapter of a splendid past, more remarkable in many ways than any which has yet been written in its history, Yale begins to-day the

making of another record, of possibilities which cannot be overstated. It is not too much to say that the educational world does not present a greater opportunity than the one which to-day meets those men on whom rests the responsibility for the highest interests of Yale.

TO HARVARD.

We beg to offer to Mr. Dibblee, the Harvard Captain; to Mr. Forbes, the Harvard coach; to the great eleven they produced, and to the great University from which it was drawn, the congratulations due to them from all those who admire the great game of football. It is a good thing for the game and for all college athletics that such a team should be developed on such rational and fair principles, and that its members should do themselves justice, collectively and individually, at the time when they are called on for their supreme effort.

TO YALE.

Eleven good Yale players, headed by a Captain of remarkable football ability and of desperate energy in his work, were thoroughly defeated last Saturday. Yale has put one good football eleven in the field in three years. In other athletic interests her record for some time or longer has been less creditable. Baseball has had some redeeming features; the rowing situation has had one or two bright spots, with a background well calculated to bring them out; track athletics have degenerated into a farce.

As Yale has grown large she has grown weak. She is not together. There is no system. The principles by which success has been achieved have been largely abandoned and neither the Yale undergraduate nor the Yale graduate nor the Yale authorities dare take a rational step to apply the wisdom of the fathers, because it must be utilized in a new form. A hobby is ridden to death; the name is taken for the reality.

It is much less then ever before the creed of the Campso that a Yale undertaking must, *ipso facto*, be an undertaking of the first grade of quality—that whatever is done in the name of Yale must be well done. The Yale individual feels less the inspiration of a word and an association that gives him certain high standards to uphold.

How far will this thing go?

The action of the Yale Club in the matter of aiding graduates to secure business positions is fully described in another column. We shall have more to say of it later.

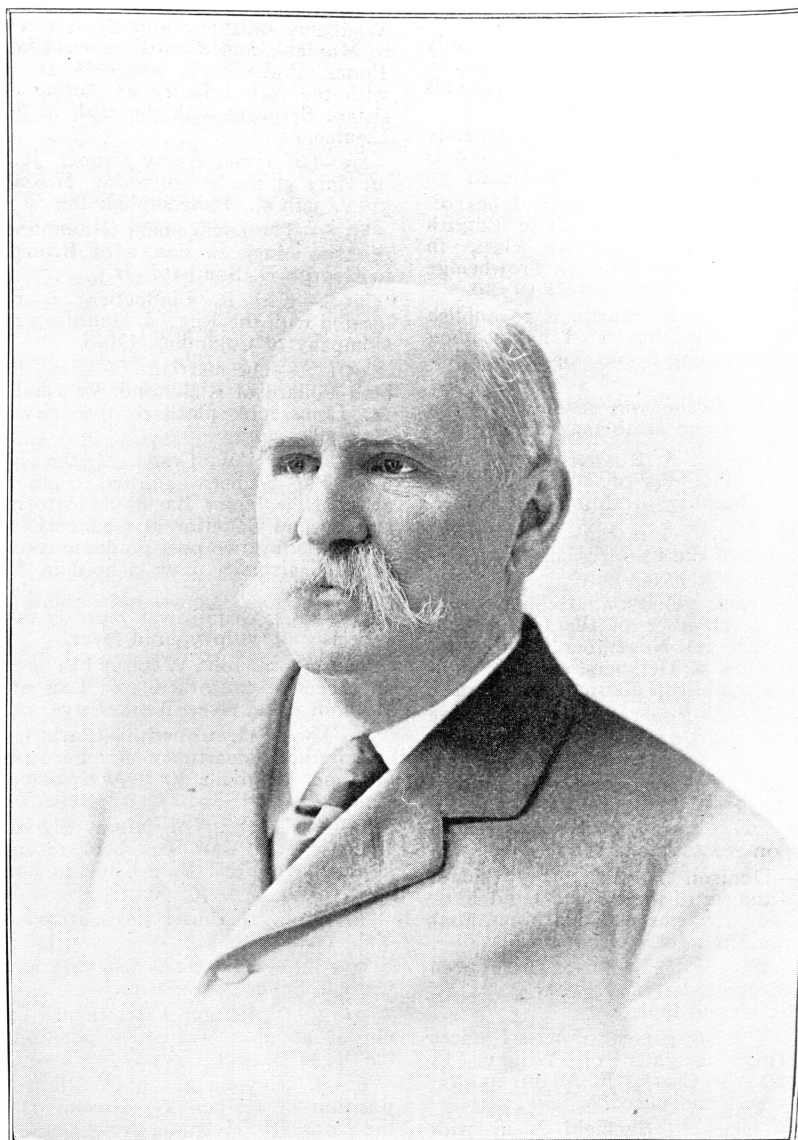
University Finances.

At the Corporation meeting the Treasurer of the University submitted his financial report for the year ending July 31st, 1898. The additions to the funds of the several departments are as follows:

Increase of University Funds	\$32,036.00
Increase of Academical Funds	3,985.88
Increase of Theological Funds	4,027.06
Increase of S. S. S. Funds	20,000.00
Increase of Medical School Funds	1,142.56
Increase of Musical Department Funds	5,000.00
Total additions to Funds	\$66,191.52
Deduct from Sloane Library Fund amount of Transfer Tax	8,647.38
Net increase of Funds	\$57,544.14

An important item in the addition to the University Funds is that of \$25,000 payments from the residuary estate, from the Executors of the estate of the late D. B. Fayerweather.

PROFESSOR GEORGE JARVIS BRUSH.



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Resigned from Directorship of the Sheffield Scientific School on Nov. 17, 1898.

The addition to the Funds of the Sheffield Scientific School is a legacy of real estate from the Executor of the estate of the late J. P. Atwater, amounting to \$20,000.

The addition to the Funds of the Department of Music is a legacy of \$5,000 to found a Lockwood Scholarship Fund, from the Executor of the estate of Miss Julia A. Lockwood of Norwalk, Conn.

"Municipal Physics" Lectures.

The Hon. Alfred R. Conkling of New York is giving, under the auspices of the Political Science Club, a series of lectures on "Municipal Physics." This title has been devised by Mr. Conkling to express in brief the various

problems that have to do with the physical well-being of those who dwell in cities.

The lectures are eminently practical and refer to such topics as public parks, boards of health, water, gas and electric supply, streets, taxation and franchises, etc.

Mr. Conkling is the author of a book on "City Government in the U. S.," published in 1897, and has placed in the library of the Political Science Club a number of works intended to illustrate his subjects.

The first lecture was given November 16th; the remaining three will be given November 30, and December 7 and 14, in the large lecture room of Osborn Hall at 8 P. M. They are open to the University and to the public as well as to the members of the Club.

The Druids.

The first meeting of the Druids, for the present year, will be held Wednesday evening, December 7th. The Druids is a University organization of about twenty men and is formed to bring together informally members of the different departments of the University,—Law, Medical, Theological, Scientific, Graduate and Undergraduate. Its central idea is to emphasize the University spirit by bringing into close touch with one another the diverse interests of these schools.

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