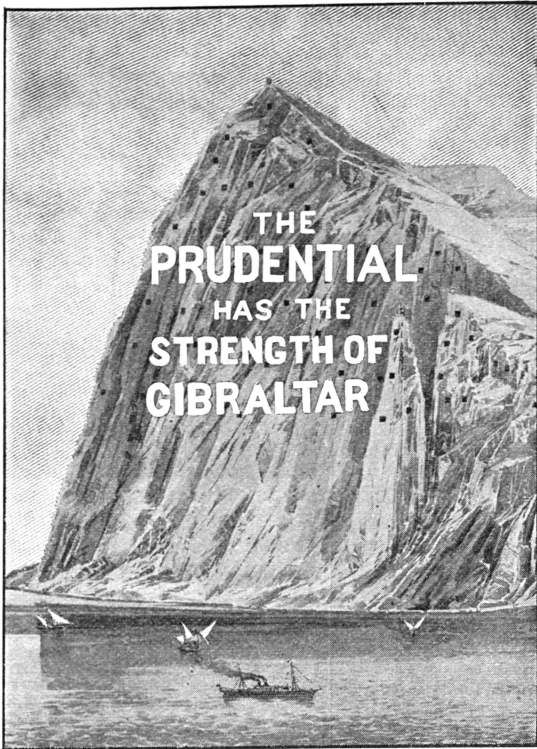


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which now attracts about one-third of the graduates. It is noticeable that in the case of the last eighty years covered by the table the sum of the figures for the ministry and of the one for business in each five-year period fluctuates fairly closely about 37 per cent., and that, with very few exceptions, a rapid fall in the figure for the ministry goes hand in hand with a rapid rise in the figure for business, and when the falling off in the ministry is retarded, the same

is true of the rise of the figure for the business men. It would not be safe to conclude from this that the kind of men who formerly became clergymen now go into business, though this may be true to some extent. In any case, it is clear that the leadership which naturally falls to the college graduate in this country was formerly chiefly exerted from the bar and the pulpit; that nowadays, however, the industrial leaders are also largely recruited from among college graduates; that the typical college graduate of to-day is no longer the scholar, but the man of affairs.

YALE COLLEGE GRADUATES, VOCATION BY CLASSES.

CLASSES.	Law.	Ministry.	Medicine.	Teaching and Science.	Learned Professions.	Business.	Engineering.	Journalism and Literature.	Farming.	Government Service.	Miscellaneous.
1797	42%	39%	8%	3%	92%	6%			3%		
1802	33	30	8	2	73	17			9		
1813-4	36	25	14	5	80	12		2	6		
1817, 1819	37	26	20	5	80	15			5		
1821, 2, 4	31	34	20	5	90	8			3		
1826, 1830	25	27	12	9	73	9	1	2	15		.5
1831, 3, 4	32	34	15	10	91	4		.3	4		
1839-40	28	27	9	13	77	11	.5	2	8	1	.5
1841-45	33	27	9	8	77	12	.2	4	5	2	.2
1846-50	34	21	8	9	72	15	1	4	4	3	
1851-55	35	19	9	9	72	16	2	3	5	1	1
1856-60	31	20	9	10	70	17	1	4	5	3	
1861-65	29	13	10	12	64	20	2	7	2	3	2
1866-70	38	13	8	10	69	20	3	5	2	.2	.6
1871-75	36	12	8	11	67	24	1	3	2	1.4	1.6
1876-80	36	6	12	8	62	28	.6	5	1	.6	2.8
1881-85	35	7	9	11	62	29	1	5	2	.6	.6
1886-90	35	6	11	12	64	28	2	3	1	.3	1.7
1891-93	35	7	8	12	62	31	1	3	1	1	1

A NEW DEBATING SOCIETY.

Induced by the Success of the Sophomore Wigwam.

Another debating society has been formed recently in the Sophomore class similar to the Wigwam. Meetings will be held bi-weekly and the club will be divided into two parts. Each part will have its leader, who will open the question to be debated, the rest of his side volunteering to speak when they wish. The originators formed themselves into a committee and selected a list of fifty men from which list the following thirty men were selected: A. Allen, C. Allen, W. Allen, N. A. Baldwin, W. W. Hoppin, Jr., J. H. Hord, B. P. Twichell, C. B. Waterman, J. H. Wear, H. Chisholm, R. S. Spencer, J. M. Carlisle, T. L. Cheney, J. S. Eells, R. B. Hixon, G. B. Kip, C. G. Pearce, G. V. Reynolds, F. McD. C. Robertson, H. Chappell, J. H. Childs, A. H. Gleason, F. G. Harris, W. R. F. Hitt, D. B. Lawrence, H. Scoville, R. H. Nevins, H. P. Judd, W. G. D. Morgan, and F. M. Wheeler.

The founders of the club were: H. Auchincloss, E. H. Brown, L. B. Carter, M. K. Parker, R. L. Atkinson, A. J. Young, A. F. Yaggy, L. K. Butler, L. M. Thomas, and J. D. Bogart.

The Chase Comet.

Dr. Frederick L. Chase of the Yale Observatory has just completed another computation of the orbit of the comet which he recently discovered. This computation is based on the positions shown by two photographic plates and by one observation. To be thoroughly satisfactory the computation should rest on at least three visual observations, or three photographic observations. Both this and the former Yale computation differ considerably from the results of the computation of the orbit at the Lick Observatory. This last computation by Dr. Chase brings the comet to perihelion on January 4, 1899. According to this, its nearest point to the earth will be at a distance of about 135,000,000 miles, and it is improbable that it would be visible to the naked eye.

Phi Beta Kappa Founding.

On Monday evening the one hundred and twenty-second anniversary of the founding of the Yale Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was celebrated in the Society's room in White Hall. The meeting was not, however, of a special anniversary character, except that President A. B. Hall, '99, spoke briefly of the founding of the Society and of the records of the Yale Chapter which date back to 1786. A number of these records and papers connected with the Society were brought over from the Library, and were left in the Society's room for inspection.

The regular exercises of the evening consisted of a paper by Sullivan D. Ames, '99, on "The Value of Travel." Hon. Simeon E. Baldwin, '61, spoke on the meeting of the united chapters which was held in Saratoga last September.

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