

**SHEFFIELD SCHOOL CATALOGUE.**

**Enrollment Greater than Last Year—  
New Instructors.**

The annual statement of the Sheffield Scientific School for the college year 1898-99 appeared a few days ago, and contained several changes from last year. The announcement of the resignation of Director George J. Brush, is made and also the election of Professor R. H. Chittenden to the position.

The additions to the Faculty include the following: Charles C. Clarke, Jr., B.A., Instructor in French; Munson D. Atwater, B.A., Laboratory Assistant in Chemistry; Yandell Henderson, Ph.D., Assistant in Physiological Chemistry; George H. Nettleton, B.A., Instructor in English; Charles M. Cooke, B.A., Laboratory Assistant in Botany; William K. Shepard, Ph.B., Laboratory Assistant in Physics; Treat B. Johnson, Laboratory Assistant in Chemistry.

The catalogue also announces that six scholarships of \$100 each (covering the charges for tuition), to be known as the Sheffield Graduate Scholarships, will be awarded, on application, to those members of the graduating class of the Sheffield Scientific School who have attained high proficiency in the special studies of their respective courses, and who desire to spend one or more years in graduate study in the School. Each scholarship will be available for one year only. Application for these scholarships must be made in writing on or before June 1st, to the head of the Department to which the student belongs, with a statement as to the character of the graduate study to be pursued.

The Belknap Prize, founded by William R. Belknap, Esq., of the Class of Sixty-Nine, will be awarded this year for excellence in all the Natural History studies of Senior year.

The catalogue of students shows a total enrollment of 567, an increase of 23 over last year. A summary of the various classes for the years 1897-98 and 1898-99 is as follows:

	1897-8	1898-9
Graduate .....	60	59
Seniors .....	121	140
Juniors .....	162	163
Freshmen .....	187	192
Special students .....	14	13
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>567</b>

The date for Class Day exercises is set for Saturday, June 24th. Examinations for admission will be held at the thirty-five cities in which the Academic examinations are to take place and will begin on Thursday, June 29th.

**Mr. Ide's Statement about the Home Life Fire.**

George E. Ide, Yale '81, President of the Home Life Ins. Co., has sent out the following statement in regard to the fire in the building of his company:

"In view of the general interest attaching to the recent fire in the Company's building in New York City, we desire to offer to our friends and patrons a statement regarding the disaster. At the time of the fire, which originated in the building adjoining ours on the North, there was a hurricane blowing from that quarter, which drove the flames with irresistible force against our side walls and into our light-shaft. The violence of the fire in the adjoining building, taken in connection with the very high wind, was so great as to ignite certain of our upper stories, the result being an injury to the upper part of the marble facade, and the destruction of the interior trim, plaster, etc., in the offices in that part of the building.

"There was not at any time any communication of the fire from one story to another through the floors, the fire-proof brick preventing such transmission. The conflagration in these upper stories was simply a series of independent fires on the various floors. These were for a long time successfully combated by the city fire department and the fire apparatus which had been installed in our building, but work in this

direction had to be abandoned on account of the intense heat prevailing. During the entire night this building stood as a bulwark, preventing the spread of the flames toward the South, and it is admitted by all experts that a most serious general conflagration was thereby prevented. It is most noteworthy that, notwithstanding this tremendous ordeal, the steel structure of the building is practically uninjured, the roof is virtually intact, and the entire edifice to-day stands as an object lesson of the durability and strength of modern construction.

The marble front, which is irreparably injured in the upper stories, and which will have to be replaced in part, is a structure, entirely independent of the main building, and was simply melted and disfigured by the intensity of the heat. From the eighth story down the only injury is that caused by water, and this part of the building can be readily repaired and made tenable.

The general offices of the Company are located on the 2d, mezzanine and 3d floors. Here the damage is very slight, and the Company, from the morning after the fire, has been transacting its business, regularly and without delay, in its own quarters. There is not a single book, record or paper injured in the slightest degree, and the reports to the contrary never had any basis in fact. The Company carried \$350,000 insurance on its building, and in consequence of this precaution it will suffer no pecuniary loss. It is with natural pride that the Company sees in the preservation of its own records, and in the prevention of a general conflagration in our City, the vindication of its good judgment in erecting a building which by reason of its superior construction so well withstood the test to which it was subjected."

**Philadelphia Smoker.**

The Yale Alumni of Philadelphia held a smoker at the University Club of Philadelphia, 1015 Walnut street, on Thursday evening, December 15th. A quartet from the Glee Club composed of R. H. Schneeloch, M.S.; E. T. Noble, '99; G. W. Simmons, 1900, and M. K. Parker, 1901 were present.

**Teachers' Lectures.**

The Fall course of lectures offered by the Graduate Department to the public and private school teachers of Connecticut came to a close on December 10th. Each course consists of ten lectures, which are given on Saturday mornings during the Fall and Winter terms.

The courses offered for next term are five in number—Educational Theory, by Professor Sneath; American Social Problems, by Professor Blackman; Constitutional History of the United States, by Professor C. H. Smith; Classes of Elizabethan Plays, by Professor Beers; The Chemistry and Physiology of Digestion, by Professor Chittenden.

**December "Lit."**

The contents of the December number of the *Yale Literary Magazine*, which will appear on the 15th of this month, are as follows:

Essays—"Felis, Rex," by Ray Morris, 1901; "The Comedy of Manners," by H. Taft, 1900; "Paul Lawrence Dunbar," by J. M. Hopkins, 1900; "A Prophet of the Humble," by J. W. Barney, 1900; "Jose-Marie de Heredia," by R. Kingsley, 1901.

Poems—"Never Fear," by Ray Morris, 1901; "Ad Juventuem," by M. McCormick, 1900; "Stanzas," by L. W. Dodd, '99 S.

Portfolios—"A Paradox," by J. M. Hopkins, 1900; "Atlanta in Calydon," by J. W. Barney, 1900; "Persephone," by B. B. Moore, '99; "The Arming of Sir Tristram," by J. W. Barney, 1900; "The Soldier Rests Not," by G. D. Morgan, 1901.

A Princeton chapter of Phi Beta Kappa has been established at Princeton this Fall. Applications for a charter of the Society was made in 1896, and it was granted on September 7, 1898. It is to be known as the Beta Chapter of New Jersey.

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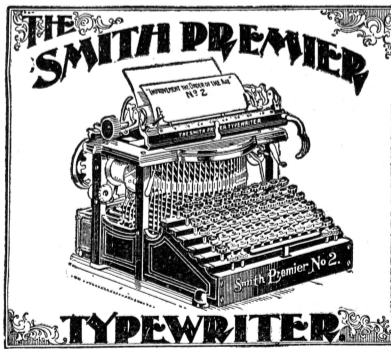
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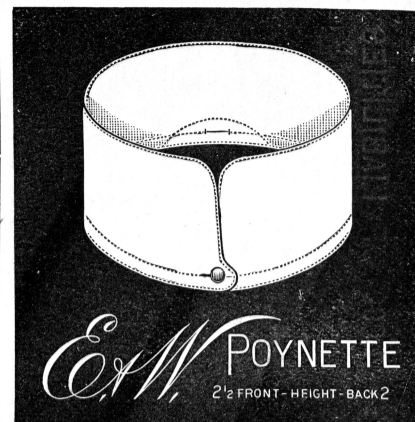
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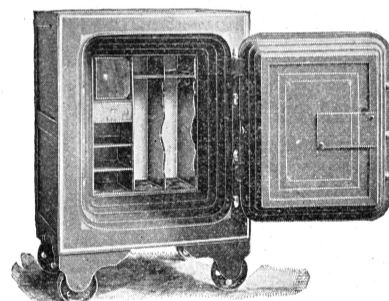


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