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ARTHUR TWINING HADLEY, '76.

President of Yale.



SUCCESSOR OF PRESIDENT TIMOTHY DWIGHT.
TERM OF OFFICE BEGAN JUNE 29, 1899.

ANSON PHELPS STOKES, '96.

Secretary of Corporation.



SUCCESSOR OF FRANKLIN BOWDITCH DEXTER.
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THE COMMENCEMENT.

All Were Enthusiastic over Both the Presidents—The Speeches of a Notable Commencement Dinner.

The last official appearance of President Dwight and the first official appearance of Yale's new leader, Prof. Arthur T. Hadley, gave a peculiar interest to all the exercises of Commencement week. The reunion classes all wanted a speech from the incoming and outgoing Presidents and they were seldom disappointed. The speeches of both men were most happy. President Dwight recalled his associations with those who had been here and expressed a hope that they might continue, a hope which was always met with an enthusiastic reception.

The new President in a characteristic way welcomed the returning graduates as co-workers with him. He found in each class that came to call on him some special feature of Yale interest which he emphasized, and all bade him good-bye with an increased enthusiasm for the new President and an increased confidence in Yale's future.

At the Commencement dinner, President Dwight and President-elect Hadley sat side by side. The latter paid a very handsome tribute to his former chief and the President in his turn offered the right hand of fellowship to the young man who was to take up his work. Both President Dwight and President Hadley were received with

unusual demonstrations by the great crowd in Alumni Hall.

The other events of Commencement week passed off according to the program without unusual incident. The numerous announcements in full are given in different parts of this paper. The rain threatened to interfere with the Commencement Procession, but it was finally possible to carry this through in the usual way.

The weather of Commencement week was unusually favorable and cool. The reunion classes were quite up to the standard of enthusiasm and numbers and everything was most satisfactory, except certain records in athletics.

Commencement Procession.

The Commencement procession was a long one and, as usual, those who made it up found it difficult to secure seats in Chapel, a building which is wholly needed for the necessities of Commencement.

Professor John C. Schwab was the marshal of the Commencement procession as usual, and the arrangements were all successfully carried out. As marshal, Professor Schwab carried the cane of his great grandfathers, Rev. J. C. Kunze, Professor in Columbia College.

The order of the procession on Commencement Day was as follows:

Marshal: Prof. J. C. Schwab.
Aides: Drs. L. W. Bacon and W. M. Strong, Prof. C. S. Baldwin.
The High Sheriff of New Haven.
The Second Regiment Band.
The Color Guard, bearing the flags of the U. S. Cruiser Yale.
Student Chorus.

Candidates for the Degree of B.A.
Marshals: Mr. H. B. Wright and Dr. F. H. Chase.

Candidates for the Degree of Ph.B.
Marshal: Prof. F. E. Beach.
Candidates for the Degree of B.F.A.
Marshal: Mr. G. H. Langzettel.
Candidates for the Degree of LL.B.
Marshals: Prof. G. E. Beers and Mr. C. W. Birely.
Candidates for the Degree of B.D.
Marshal: Prof. B. W. Bacon.
Candidates for the Degree of M.A.
Marshal: Dr. W. I. Lowe.
Candidates for the Degree of C.E., M.E. and M.S.
Marshal: Dr. Y. Henderson.
Candidates for the Degree of D.C.L.
Candidates for the Degree of M.D.
Marshal: Prof. H. B. Ferris.
Candidates for the Degree of Ph.D.
Marshal: Mr. W. C. Morgan.
Marshal of the Corporation, Faculty and Guests: Prof. H. W. Farnam.
President Dwight and President-elect Hadley.

The Secretary and Treasurer of the University.
The Corporation.
Candidates for Honorary Degrees and Invited Guests.
The Faculty.

Marsals of the Graduates: Professors F. K. Sanders and J. W. D. Ingersoll, Dr. E. W. Scripture, and Mr. C. P. Kitchel.

The Graduates, in the order of their graduation, together with the Graduates of other Colleges and Universities, and the Friends of the University.

Commencement Dinner.

Of the Commencement dinner, it is best to let the President and the speakers tell the story. What they said has been taken verbatim and there is a reasonable confidence in the accuracy of the stenographer's notes. It is unnecessary to say that the hall was

crowded, was most hot and uncomfortable and that hundreds of the graduates could not get in.

Those who had been to a number of other Commencement dinners said at the close of this that they had perhaps never heard as interesting a series of speeches. The only criticism was a little too much speaking, but it would have been hard to pick out any particular parts for abridgment. When President Dwight rose, the whole hall rose with him, cheering and waving hats. The scene was repeated when he introduced the new President. Harvard's representative was given a splendid reception and Baron von Rottenburg was received most cordially, both before and after his excellent and concise address.

It is hardly necessary to say that when the Naval officers rose, the hall was tumultuous for minutes.

President Dwight's Opening Address.

"Gentlemen of the Alumni—I once more, on this commemorative closing of the year, bid you a hearty welcome to this place, and I wish, with the emphasis of the hour and the past few moments, which emphasis has impressed my own mind, and I know that it has impressed the minds of some of you,—I wish to use this remarkable pressing into this hall through the door and this utter inadequacy of this hall for the demands of the occasion, to be a witness. I wish to use the emphasis of this occasion to impress upon you that we need a new hall, and if the incoming administration has the same sentiments that the outgoing administration has, we are going to have one.

THE BI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

"Gentlemen, we entered upon a great movement somewhat more than a year