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## INTERCOLLEGIATE CHESS.

### Men who will be at New York during the Holidays.

The eighth annual intercollegiate chess tournament between teams from Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia, will be held in New York during the Christmas holidays, at the Columbia Grammar School, beginning on Christmas day.

The final round of the open chess tournament for the choice of Yale's chess representatives has been completed, with the following result: L. A. Cook, 1900, won 9, lost 1; J. Morgan, 1902 S., won 6½, lost 3½; E. B. Adams, 1901, won 5½, lost 4½; A. Anstell, L.S., won 5½, lost 4½; W. B. Luther, 1902, won 3½, lost 6½; A. M. Webb, 1901, lost 10 by default. Yale's two representatives in the intercollegiate tournament will therefore be L. A. Cook, 1900, and J. M. Morgan, 1902 S., with A. Anstell and E. B. Adams alternates. Of these men Cook has played in two intercollegiate tournaments, and last Spring represented Yale in the international cable match, winning his game from Hulbert of Oxford. Morgan, although inexperienced, is a promising player. Both of these men prepared for Yale at Andover.

The four men who will compose Columbia's chess team and their alternates will probably be R. C. T. Schroeder, H. A. Boehm, K. G. Falk and F. H. Sewall. At Harvard, the players have not yet been chosen. The final round of the tournament for the selection of the Princeton team is now in progress. The seven men who qualified for the finals were Scott, Weston, Hunt, Hurley, Ely, Pilgrim and Nevins.

### CONDITIONS OF PLAY.

Play in the intercollegiate tournament will begin every afternoon at 2 o'clock, and continue through the evening with a recess from 6 to 8 o'clock for dinner. The requirements are that each contestant must play one game with each of the other men entered, and that fifteen moves must be made within the hour.

The championship emblem is a silver cup, weighing about seventy-five ounces, and stands fourteen inches high. It was designed by Tiffany of New York. The cup goes to the winning team to hold for one year, and if won ten consecutive years by any team it becomes the permanent property of the successful university.

The record of the past intercollegiate chess tournaments follows:

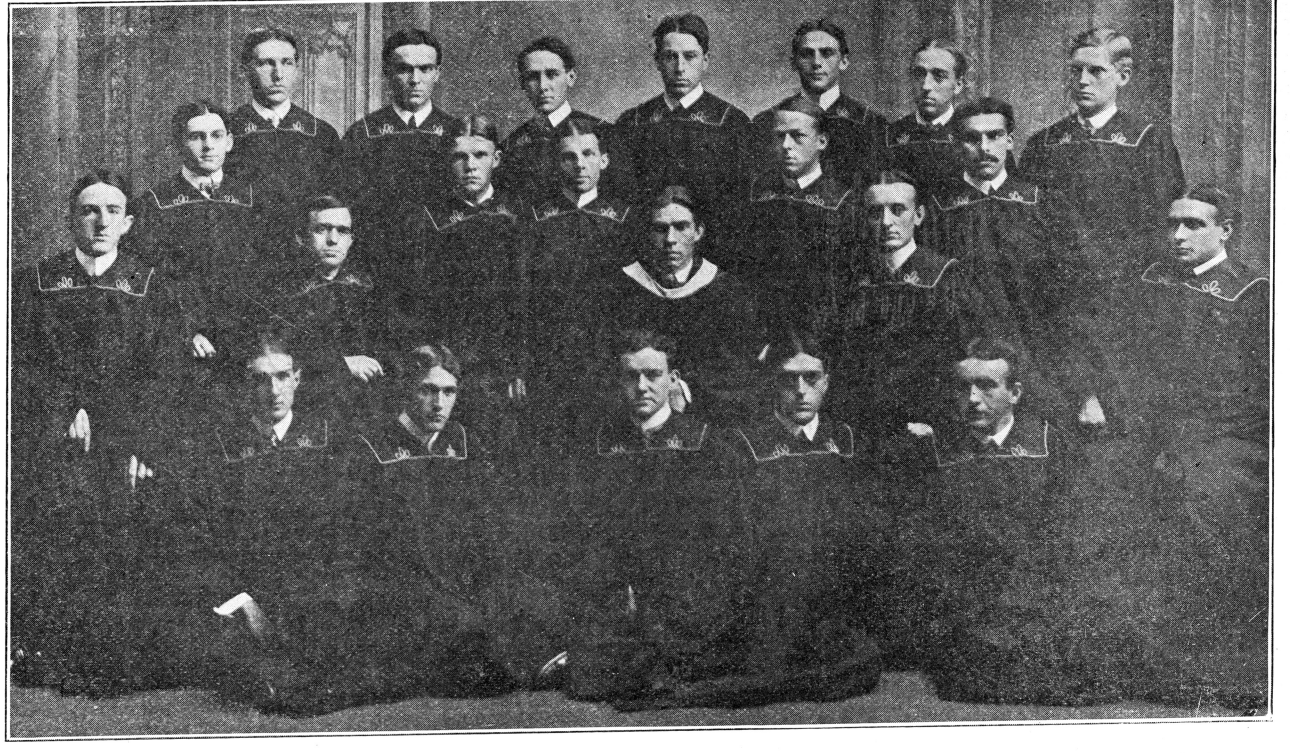
	Harv.	Colum.	Yale.	Prin.
1892.....	7½	9	5	2½
1893.....	7	8½	5	3½
1894.....	9	3	6	6
1895.....	8½	8	3½	4
1896.....	10	4½	4	5½
1897.....	10	6½	4½	3
1898.....	10	8½	2½	3

It will be seen that Harvard has won five times in succession and that Columbia is her nearest opponent.

The strength of Harvard and Columbia in chess may be explained by the fact that players of both these universities have excellent chances for strong practice with the strong Boston and New York clubs. In the last few years, Yale has sought to offset this advantage by employing a coach for the chess team, who came to New Haven for a month before the tournament. But this year, owing to a ruling of the Faculty in regard to Freshman subscriptions, no coach has been secured. Another cause

## THE COLLEGE CHOIR.

Humiston. Robertson. Vaile. Herrick. Hill. Jackson. Welch.  
Bond. Seabury. Richards. Makepeace. Sherman.



Dewey. Fisher. Ass't. Prof. Jepson. Arnold. Photo by Pach  
Knox. Smith (C. W.) White. Eiseman. Whittlesey. Smith (H. W.)

NOTE.—The gowns worn by the choir members are the regular academic gown, the yoke being edged with blue cord.

for Yale's poor showing in these tournaments in the past may lie in the fact that the tournament, contrary to the custom of the other colleges, comes immediately after the semi-annual examinations. A number of valuable days of practice is thus lost to the men, as of course there is not time for the regular drill.

The idea of having an annual chess tournament between the four universities of Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Columbia, representing Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York and New Jersey, was originated by Mr. E. A. Caswell, Yale '66, in the Fall of 1891. It was through Mr. Caswell's efforts that the handsome silver cup and medal die were obtained, by subscription, and since the first meeting he has been very active in support of the tournaments.

Last year an effort was made to rule against the possibility of one star player backed by another of only average ability, from carrying off the trophy. The plan, which was to have four representatives from each University instead of two and to shorten the playing time from six days to three, aimed at showing the average chess ability of the teams, was rejected by Harvard and Princeton, when proposed. It is likely, however, that the change may yet be made, as it is understood that Harvard has expressed her willingness to change her vote of a year ago.

### University Council Elections.

Besides the Deans of the several departments, the following gentlemen, have been elected by their respective Faculties to serve on the University Council:

- Academic—Professors Dana, Perrin and Sumner.
- Scientific—Professors Lounsbury and Pirsson.
- Law—Professor Baldwin.
- Medical—Professor Carmalt.
- Theology—Professor Brastow.

## DIVINITY SCHOOL FACTS.

### Some Interesting Figures on Attendance—The Building of the School.

It was in 1822 that the Faculty of Yale, which then consisted of President Day and Professors Fitch, Kingsley, Silliman and Goodrich, set forth in a Paper the necessity for "an enlargement of the means of theological instruction," which, as they said, had been carried forward since the appointment of a Professor of Divinity, in 1755. Theology had likewise formed a part of the undergraduate curriculum from the founding of the College.

The Corporation responded by establishing a distinct Theological Department, detailing several College Professors to give a portion of their time to teaching therein, and placing in the chair of Doctrinal Theology Dr. Nathaniel W. Taylor, then minister of the First Church in New Haven, a preacher and a theologian of extraordinary ability. Under Dr. Taylor and the colleagues who were associated with him in the "old Faculty," the Institution went forward until his death, which occurred in 1858, and was followed in 1861 by the death of the last of the acting Professors, Professor Gibbs.

The flourishing period of the Theological Department in this first era was prior to 1850. From 1850 to 1861 the average number of students was reduced to 28. The largest number at any time had been 82 (in 1837-8). The average number for the entire interval (1822-1861) was 46. Only in thirteen years did the average exceed 50 students. One effect of the talents and popularity of Dr. Taylor was to make the friends of the Divinity School forgetful of the necessity of procuring permanent endow-

ments for its life and prosperity in the future. When he died, and when the new Faculty, of which Dr. Dwight was the first to be elected, assumed control, there was but a handful of students. The property of the Divinity School was less than \$75,000, together with a dormitory on the Campus at the north end of the brick line, which, however, it was bound to surrender at its appraised value whenever the building should be needed by the Academic Department. Soon it was thus surrendered, for the sum of \$13,000.

### RECORD OF THE NEW FACULTY

The "new Faculty," of which the present Dean of the Divinity School is the only member now in active service, had the task laid upon it of building up the Institution almost from the foundation. Under the auspices of this Faculty, and in the main by its exertions, by far the major part of the present endowment of the School was obtained, including, besides what is comprised in the General Fund, the special funds for Elocution, for the Lyman Beecher Lectureship, for Scholarships for the aid of students, for two Graduate Fellowships, for the Reference Library, etc.

Under the same auspices and as the fruit of like exertions of the Faculty, the purchases of the site of West Divinity Hall and of the house beyond, which was bought for the protection of that edifice, were made, and all the buildings were successively erected, comprising East Divinity College, Marquand Chapel, West Divinity College, and the Reference Library Building.

As the facilities of the Department for doing its work were by degrees enlarged, the number of students gradually increased. This number rose from 21 (in 1858-9) and 27 (in 1861-2), until (in 1873-4) it reached 101. So it re-