

YALE ALUMNI NOTES.

Please report concerning yourself, facts which should be recorded in this column. Make report, also, about Yale men you know, and on matters, proper for record here, concerning which you have definite record. This will make the page of the greatest possible value. On request the Alumni Weekly will be glad to send postals to those who are in the way of getting, more or less often, Yale news and Yale personals.

'79—Mrs. Katherine Silliman Wilcox, wife of Dr. Frederick T. Simpson, and daughter of the late Dr. Lucien S. Wilcox, '50, died at Hartford, Conn., December 10, 1899.

'83—William Trumbull is the author of "The Battle Hymn of the Boers," recently published in several of the American papers. The verse runs as follows:

'88 S.—The following notes of the Class of Eighty-Eight Sheff. have been furnished by the Class Secretary:

W. C. Catlin's present position is that of Engineer with the Cambria Iron Co. of Johnston, Pa., and not Chemist as given in the Decennial Record.

F. H. Farguha is now practicing law at York, Pa.

Howard Green, Jr., has left his position at Syracuse, N. Y., and is now with the M. C. Bullock Manufacturing Co., engine and drill manufacturers, 1170 West Lake street, Chicago, Ill.

Fred R. Hamlin is Business Manager of the Grand Opera House of Chicago, Ill., and not Manager as given in the Decennial Record.

Charles M. Heminway has taken a position as Cashier with the Connecticut Lighting and Power Co., 100 Broadway, New York City.

The New York address of George C. Kimball is 28 Reade street, and his Hartford address is 266 Farmington avenue.

George G. Mason has moved to Mason City, Ia., to take the position of Trainmaster of the Dakota Division, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Co.

Charles Norris, M.D., joined the Faculty of the Cornell University Medical School, New York City, last Fall, and is instructor in the pathology of infectious diseases.

Franklin T. Parlin is manager for the Germanic Life Insurance Co. of its Northwestern Department, with offices at St. Paul, Minn.

'88 S., '89 and '97—As soon as the Board of Health of Honolulu decided that the bubonic plague had actually appeared there, it issued a call for volunteers to go into China Town, the infected district, in order to place the section in a good sanitary condition and to inspect for any new or suspicious cases of sickness. A newspaper correspondent gives the following story of the work of disinfecting, in which three Yale men played a very active part. These were George R. Carter, '88 S., J. R. Galt, '89, and C. R. Hemenway, '97: "The experience of the volunteers was an interesting one, but probably none of them is anxious to repeat it. The entire district of China Town was quarantined and guarded by the militia, so that no one could go in or come out without a passport from the Board of Health. Volunteers were each given charge of a block, and were created special agents of the Board of Health. Their power was very great, and included authority to buy any material needed, hire all the help required, and to issue any orders which were considered necessary for the interest of the infected district. Ready to assist them in enforcing their orders were the National Guard and the Police and Fire Departments. Each started in with a large dray full of disinfectants, which were principally corrosive sublimate and lime, with brushes, sprinkling cans and other material. A lively volunteer would draft into the service ten helpers and then start the work. All dirt, filth and rubbish of every description was taken out into the middle of the street and burned. For a week huge bonfires were going day and night."

One of the volunteers, a recent Yale graduate, described the work to the correspondent as follows: "After starting the men to work on different jobs of cleaning, we took a Chinese interpreter, who carried a sprinkler of disinfectant,

and another who carried whitewash and lime; we went through every house in the district, going from room to room looking for sickness, and disinfecting beds, bedding, floors, closets, cesspools, etc., and where the woodwork was in very bad condition it was whitewashed. I never dreamed of people living in such conditions. We found gambling dens, opium joints, and even worse places, all of which had to be cleaned out, and in many cases we had to break open doors and windows with a heavy chisel."

The conditions found by the volunteers have started up the people of Honolulu, who intend now to keep the Chinese part of the town in good condition.

Ex-'88 S.—H. K. Wood's present residence is 124 Garden street, Hartford, Conn.

Ex-'88 S.—S. M. Stagg is telegrapher at Frankfort, Ky., for the Louisville and Nashville R. R. Co.

Ex-'88 S.—D. T. C. Perkins is proprietor of the Crescent City Mill and Transportation Co., 8 California street, San Francisco, Cal.

Ex-'88 S.—F. W. Parmeter has entered the employ of the Crownpoint Works of the American Steel and Wire Co., at Crownpoint, N. Y.

'90 S.—O. L. Miller has returned from the South and is taking a course in machine shop practice at the Bullard Machine Tool Co. shops, Bridgeport, Conn. Address Stratford, Conn.

'91 & '92—H. L. Pangborn and Elliott Marshall have formed a partnership for the general practice of law under the firm name of Pangborn & Marshall.

'91—Malcolm MacLear has been appointed Clerk of the New Jersey House of General Assembly.

'91—David L. Billings has changed his address from 9 Park avenue, New York to 37 Myrtle avenue, Bridgeport, Conn.

'91—The marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth McBride, daughter of George P. McBride, to Charles Gibbs Carter took place Saturday, January 6, at Trinity Church, Pittsburg, Pa.

'91 L.S.—Benjamin H. Charles attended the recent banquet and meeting of the alumni of Westminster College, held at the Midland Hotel, Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Charles is still practicing law in St. Louis, Mo., where he has been since he graduated from the Yale Law School.

'92 S.—Wilbur F. Day, Jr., has taken the General Agency for New Haven of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hartford. His office is at 308 Exchange Building, New Haven, Conn.

'95—Guy R. McLane was admitted to the firm of Jesup & Lamont, Brokers, 18 Broadway, New York City, January 2.

'95 S.—William Arthur Whitcomb is Assistant Manager of the Department of Manufacture of the International Paper Co., 30 Broad street, New York City.

'96—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Keller, Thursday, December 7.

'96—F. S. Jackson is with the law firm of Sackett, Bacon & McQuaid, Tribune Building, New York.

'96 and '96 S.—Louis H. Porter and Grosvenor Nicholas have formed a law partnership under the firm name of Nicholas & Porter, with offices in Aldrich Court, No. 45 Broadway, New York City.

Ex-'96—B. T. Gilbert sailed for Europe the latter part of December. His address this Winter will be, Care of Hottinguer et Cie, 38 Rue de Provence, Paris.

'97—The marriage of Miss Anne Moulton Reynolds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doremus Harrison of Orange, N. J., to John H. Winterbotham, took place January 8 at Grace Church, Orange, N. J.

'97 S.—Levi Wilcox is in business in Apothecaries' Hall, Waterbury, Conn.

'97 S.—Mr. and Mrs. Chas H. Call announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Jeanne Kennedy to Henry Spark Pickands, Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1899, at Marquette, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Pickands will be at home after February 20, at 1401 Euclid avenue, Cleveland, O.

Captain Daly of the Harvard eleven has announced that Mr. Dibblee, Captain of the 1898 team and coach of last Fall's players will coach next Fall.

Ninety-Six Dinner.

The annual New York Ninety-Six Dinner is to be held at the Yale Club, No. 17 East Twenty-Sixth Street, New York, on Saturday, January 27, 1900, at 7 o'clock.

The committee in charge announces that Cordial Welcomes to this Agreeable Game are for sale at two dollars each, *net*. This purely nominal outlay includes rich red wine, imported cigars, instrumental music and a speech by Chairman Peck—everything in fact excepting car fare. Last Winter's large gathering and the enthusiastic character of the Triennial Reunion indicate that a very full attendance may be expected this year. Every Ninety-Six man is invited, and those who have not yet received personal notices are requested to communicate with one of the undersigned immediately, as the Club's seating capacity is limited.

McKee Dunn McKee, 17 East 26th St., New York; J. Frederick Eagle, 40 Wall St., New York; Johnston deForest, 40 Wall St., New York; Clarence S. Day, Jr., 40 Wall St., New York.

YALE OBITUARIES.

ALEXANDER MCBURNEY BYERS, '94.

Alexander McBurney Byers, '94, died of typhoid fever, at his home in Allegheny, Pa., Saturday, December 16. He had been sick four weeks and had apparently passed the crisis in the disease and began to convalesce when the relapse came. He was 27 years old.

Mr. Byers was the oldest son of Alexander M. and Martha Fleming Byers and was born in Allegheny. After graduation from Yale he entered into the iron business with his father, who was President of the A. M. Byers Company, and has since remained with that firm, rising rapidly to a high position. At the time of his death Mr. Byers was one of the governors of the Pittsburg Club.

LIEUTENANT WARD CHENEY, '96.

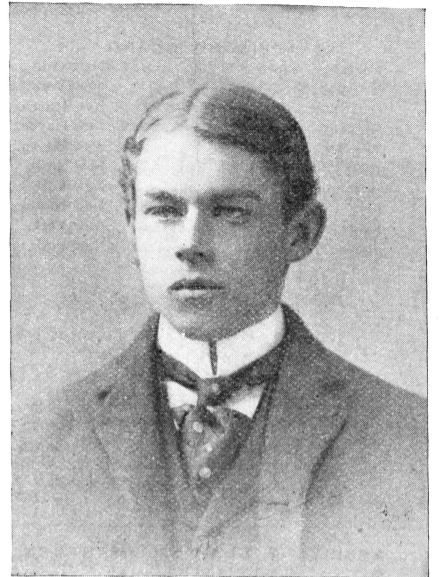
First Lieutenant Ward Cheney, Fourth Infantry, U. S. A., died on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 11.45 A. M., at Imus, about fifteen miles south of Manila, of wounds received in a recent skirmish near that place. This information was received in a cablegram from General Otis, Monday morning of this week. On the day before Col. F. W. Cheney, Lieutenant Cheney's father, received a cablegram from Sherwood Cheney, who is on General Wheaton's staff, saying that Ward's wounds were slight. This was the first intimation to the family that Ward had been wounded and it was supposed that it was sent to prevent anxiety from indefinite or exaggerated reports. The news of Lieutenant Cheney's death comes as the WEEKLY goes to press, when there is time to print only a bare record of his life and military service. The photograph reproduced here is an early one.

Ward Cheney was born at South Manchester, Conn., May 20, 1875. His father is Col. F. W. Cheney, Brown '54, and his mother was a daughter of the late Horace Bushnell of Hartford, the author and preacher, who graduated at Yale in 1827. A brother, Horace Bushnell Cheney, graduated in Ninety Scientific, another brother, Howell, graduated in Ninety-Two, and still another Austin, in Ninety-Eight S. A fourth, Frank D. Cheney, is now a Senior at Yale; he is manager of the Glee Club. Another brother, John Davenport Cheney, was at Yale with the Class of Ninety-Three Sheff. He left in his Junior year. A number of more distant relatives, cousins and others, have also been at this University.

Ward Cheney was educated at the Hartford High School. In College he was a member of the Sophomore Society of He Boule, the Junior Society of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Senior Society of Skull and Bones. He was distinctly popular, and his best friends, who were the best men in his class, were exceedingly fond of him.

For a year after graduation, Mr. Cheney studied in Germany. He then came to the Hartford *Courant* and did both desk and outside work for that paper with success until the breaking out of the war. He was determined to go

to the front and enlisted with the First Regiment of Connecticut Volunteers, going into Camp at Niantic in May, '98, and from there to Camp Alger in July. After a few weeks in the latter camp, he received a commission as Second Lieutenant of Infantry, U. S. A., successfully passed the examination, and July 26 was assigned to the Fourth Regiment. Early in August he was handling recruits at Fort McPherson,



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Georgia, but on September 11 was sent to Fort Sheridan, ill with typhoid fever. After a long siege, during which he was critically ill, he recovered, returned to his regiment, and left for the Philippines on the transport Grant from New York, January 17. He arrived at Manila, March 9. Early the same month, he was promoted First Lieutenant of Infantry. For several months after his arrival he was engaged in campaign against Filipinos around Manila in Third Brigade of General McArthur's Division. He was present at the capture of Maraquina, March 31. In the Summer he was in a very lively engagement near Imus, in which the First Battalion of the Fourth Infantry was unexpectedly attacked by two thousand Filipinos and was placed in a particularly precarious position because of the very short supply of ammunition. For conspicuous gallantry on this occasion, Lieutenant Cheney was recommended for a brevet by Major Bubb, who was in command of that Battalion of the Fourth. Later in the Summer and early Fall, Lieutenant Cheney was acting Captain of Company H of the Fourth. Of the later movements of his command, and the work in which he was engaged at the time of his death, as much as is known at this writing is given above.

WALTER SCOTT THOMAS, '99 S.

The death of Walter Scott Thomas was recorded in the last issue of the WEEKLY. He had gone to Eastern Pennsylvania to spend the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives, was taken ill with typhoid fever, December 23, and died early in the morning of December 31.

Mr. Thomas was born in Pottstown, Pa., October 10, 1878. He prepared for college at the Hillhouse High School of New Haven. After graduation, he entered the employ of the Westinghouse Electric Company of Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 1, 1899.

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