

Professor, 'those are the Ten Commandments which I took from the Bible.' 'Oh,' said the student, 'I beg your pardon, I supposed that you got them out of the Episcopal Prayer Book.'

"My next living picture relates to the Yale life as shown in the death of a Yale man. Not long ago a fellow in College who was prominent and popular died. One of his College classmates wrote to his mother and said: 'I do not know any man who was more beloved by all the best element in Yale University or who was more prominent in everything that went to emphasize and represent the Yale life, and, as I have been perhaps his most intimate friend, I want to tell you that I have never heard him say a word which he might not have said in the presence of his mother or his sister.' Mr. President, from an intimate acquaintance with the best fellows in Yale to-day, many of whom come together every week at my house, I believe this statement truly represents the spirit and the tone of the Yale life of to-day as illustrated by Bert Twitchell, Cady, Barbour and Brainard, and by that martyred hero, Lieutenant Ward Cheney, as pure, clean and perfect a representative of the Yale life as ever lived, or died, 'for God, for Country, and for Yale.'

"My next picture relates to so-called Yale athletics. On the morning after that disastrous football game when the glint of the afternoon sun spoiled a goal for Yale, and when the side-line coacher defrauded us of a hard-earned victory, Dan McBride, Captain of the Football Eleven, received a letter from a gentleman who was present at the game, in which he said words substantially to this effect:

"Dear Mr. McBride: Do not let the disappointment about yesterday's game and the unintelligent criticism which is sure to follow, blind you to the fact that your work is heartily appreciated by all the Yale men whose opinion is worth having. Sincerely yours."

"The writer of that letter, gentlemen, was President of Yale University. What a contrast to the conduct of a certain other college president, who, on a similar occasion, rushed into print to say that at his university they cultivated brains, not muscles.

"My next picture is Yale and Hartford. When that able and eminently qualified gentleman, Frank Tyler, consented to become Treasurer of Yale University, we of Yale raked the country over with a fine tooth comb to get the best man for his chair of jurisprudence, and were forced to come to Hartford and get Ed. Robbins to fill the bill. What a humiliating thought, gentlemen, for us citizens of New Haven that while Hartford makes the laws for New Haven and all the rest of the State, New Haven has to go to Hartford to get the law for Yale University. Judge Shipman teaches them Practice; Judge Prentice teaches them Pleading; Ed. Robbins now is to teach them Jurisprudence and H. C. Robinson teaches them the Ethics of law practice."

#### Yale Water Polo Team.

A call for candidates for a water-polo team was issued last week and as a result twelve or fourteen men are practising daily in the swimming pool in the gymnasium. Organization will be perfected and a captain elected during the present week. A match with the Knickerbocker Athletic Club has already been arranged for February 15.

## THE ACADEMIC SLOUCH,

(Reference being to a hat), has a style of its own, no matter what its hues and age. That is true of most anything a College man puts on his head. So many College men wear Knox Hats!

## YALE BASEBALL CRITICIZED.

### No Coaches to Return—No Grand Stand—Indifferent Support.

A man who thinks, acts and writes very knowingly about the game of baseball, has been talking with one of the WEEKLY staff about the situation. He doesn't like it and wants to know why it is as it is.

"Why is it?" he expressed it, "that there will be nobody, not a soul, to coach the nine this Spring? The football men come back en masse, but Camp must train that team without help this Spring."

"Let's review a few teams. In '92, Murphy had Cushing, Dalzell and Stag back; in '93, Bliss had practically nobody; in '94, Case had Beall only, and then but for about a week. The '95 team needed no coach and had none. In '96, Quinby had nobody to coach a green team (seven veterans went out in '95) till one coach came the last two weeks. In '97, Keator had Ruston only; in '98, Greenway was left high and dry till the last month, when one coach helped him out for the rest of the season, with Keator, the king of them all, coming down occasionally. In '99, deSaulles had nobody, Keator could only spend four days all told, and Carter three.

"Now, why is this? It is not certainly because they do not want to come back, for everyone knows that Yale baseball players are as congenial a lot of men as one wants to be with. But there seems to be no one in sight. Rustin is going to Omaha; Redington is an active trial lawyer; Carter and Greenway are tied hard and fast; indeed Carter is practically done with coaching for all time. Everybody that played ball at Yale seems to get a job that refuses to be left."

#### TALK OF A GRAND STAND.

Another thing that this baseball enthusiast did not like is the fact that Yale had no grand stand; and he brought up the point that probably does not occur to anybody but baseball players,—that it is no easy matter to pick up a hot ground ball with blue and red parasols and dresses constantly moving, for a background, where a grand stand would give a substantial, steady and regular background. "Do you remember," said this baseball man, "that when the football team needed grand stands the president of the Football Association raised some \$15,000 as a special subscription for this purpose. Where are the baseball enthusiasts?"

And this was his closing comment: "Another thing and I am done. They talk of Yale's loyalty to her teams. If you get a dozen men at Princeton for the Yale game there, you are doing pretty well. Princeton, with less than half the number of men, sends about two hundred and fifty to the game at New Haven,—and that in examination time."

#### Place for the Track Games.

Commenting editorially on the difference of opinion as to the place for holding the track games between the team from Oxford and Cambridge and that from Yale and Harvard, the *Yale News* says that there is no danger of a permanent break between Yale and Harvard. The *News* supports Yale's contention for neutral grounds and says: "To hold the contest in New York simply for the sake of the money to be obtained from it would be indeed a poor motive for choosing that or a similar neutral city—a motive which for the good name of college athletics does not deserve to be entertained. But to hold the contest in such a city because of the facilities for preparing for it, for entertaining our visitors with an equal show of hospitality and good will, and for accommodating the greater number of the alumni and undergraduates of both universities, is a move which both common sense and a due consideration of the prerogatives of both institutions commend."

The American students of the University of Leipzig, numbering about 65, have recently formed a society which they named the American Students' Club of the University of Leipzig.

## Names and Weights of Candidates.

The names and weights of the 68 new men from the three upper classes, who came out at the call of Captain Allen for the class crews, all being at the same time candidates for the University crew, are as follows:

1900—B. S. Adams, 150; N. Bardeen, 145; N. W. Bartlett, 152; G. M. Colvocoresses, 155; C. P. Ellerbe, 155; F. C. Havemeyer, 180; P. H. Hays, 170; G. W. Hubbell, 180; G. Lowell, 156; G. A. Lyon, 170; A. MacLean, 160; W. E. Minor, 156; B. B. Robertson, 180; C. P. Robinson, 145; W. E. Schoyer, 167; C. Stetson, 145; C. H. Wilson, 145; S. M. Wood, 155; S. B. Bourne, L. S., 140.

1901—F. Beltz, 160; A. H. Carver, 150; S. L. Coy, 175; E. Hausberg, 144; W. W. Hoppin, 150; W. D. Howe, 160; P. B. A. Johnson, 160; J. A. Keppelman, 175; C. McLean, 144; A. H. Markwell, 170; R. M. Newport, 175; M. K. Parker, 183; S. B. Resor, 148; Rowland, 160; C. T. Terry, 145; R. P. Tyler, 140; C. B. Waterman, 160; J. M. Watts, 163; W. P. Westfall, 185; A. S. Williams, 158; J. M. Patterson, 160; C. G. Pearce, 168; A. H. Killen, 145.

1902—G. Abbott, 150; O. S. Ackley, 165; A. S. Blagden, 165; H. B. Cox, 175; W. E. Day, 142; W. L. Dix, 165; R. B. Dresser, 170; E. Easton, 160; W. D. Embree, 120; E. L. Fox, 159; W. S. Gamsey, 184; R. H. I. Goddard, 165; L. H. Holt, 160; H. S. Hooker, 170; L. M. Johnston, 154; G. Lear, 159; G. G. Lincoln, 150; A. C. Ludington, 155; A. E. Roraback, 155; B. C. Rumsey, 165; H. S. Sherman, 170; A. M. Taylor, 163; T. N. Troxell, 145; F. S. Warmouth, 166; S. B. Woodhouse, 162; W. M. Kremetz, 165; P. H. Keinzig, 178.

## The Annual Ninety-Six Dinner.

(From a Ninety-Six Correspondent.)

The "Gladstone Banquet" of Ninety-Six came off on Saturday, January 27, at the Yale Club in New York. The Club is still there, albeit gasping faintly for breath, for seventy men came in response to the Committee's tidings and it was a tight squeeze.

The dinner itself was conducted in the traditional manner and sounded, from the floor below, like the simultaneous performance of about fifteen "numbers" from Poli's. "Smoke" Eagle's horse laugh and "Chevy Chace's" Tim Toolan could be distinguished at intervals, but for the most part there was simply one great roar which never slackened excepting for a moment or two as the duties of the feast required.

At the close there was a pause as Wells rose and spoke briefly of Ward Cheney. "He was a good man," said he, "a true son of Yale, and the cleanest and most honest gentleman it has ever been my good fortune to know." The Class drank the toast in silence, and then left the tables.

The piano down stairs was put into commission soon after, and had a rough time of it while Chairman Publius recklessly introduced speakers right and left. Henry Baker was first, and for some time bid fair to be last as well. The master at length succeeded in turning off his entertaining stream of strong thought and rich diction however, and put up Oviatt, followed by the faithful Ball and Father Loughran. Paret and C. Day then essayed to warble an original duet, after which the Class gladly took to music and song for a change.

Just as the men were beginning to leave, a convivial telegram, signed "Berry and Lusk," arrived from Nashville. It was given a long cheer and a vivid and appropriate reply was speedily despatched.

The whole affair was a perfect success, and the large number of men from other localities who were present gave to it that "reunion feeling" which is so precious and counts for so much. We were all rather proud of the record-breaking attendance, but a jolly group of Ninety-Eight men in an adjoining room made us realize that our contemporaries are likely to press us hard in this. For the good of the College we hope they will.

The following is a list of those present: B. Adams, M. C. Adams, H. D.

## WAIT A BIT!

You probably remember we have a sale about this time of the year. Well, this year is going way beyond all the other years put together. We are going to move our store pretty soon and we would rather carry money than goods. Everything goes this time. Better put an order in now or, write for prices.

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Copies of the menu containing Oviatt's delectable sketch have been mailed to every member of the Class who did not attend.

## Governing the "Y" Award.

A University meeting was held in Osborn Hall, Tuesday evening, January 30, to decide on a uniform basis of awarding the "Y" to athletes, the present system of awarding by the Captains of each association having caused dissatisfaction and criticism among some of the students. The outcome of the meeting was the unanimous adoption of a resolution to put the power of awarding the "Y" and University athletic insignia of any description, in the hands of Walter Camp, '80, and the captains of the four athletic associations—football, baseball, track and boating. This committee will draw up a set of rules shortly, which may be expected to end criticism. The resolution was presented by Captain F. W. Allen of the Crew. Percy A. Rockefeller presided and the attendance was very large.

## Track Candidates out.

Nearly 200 men are out for the Track Team and Captain Johnson expects that number will be largely increased in the next week. The men are going through the usual preliminary hardening training and are under the care of James Robinson.

## Property Purchased.

Yale acquired by purchase last week another lot of land in the square required for the Bi-centennial buildings. The property which belonged to Forest F. Smith and Grace A. Smith fronts fifty-three and four-tenths feet on Wall Street, North side, about the middle of the block. The price paid was \$18,000.

## Condition of Hon. E. J. Phelps.

The condition of Hon. E. J. Phelps, who has been extremely sick with pneumonia for two weeks, is still very critical, although his physician reports him to be a little stronger than for several days past. There is a chance for his recovery.