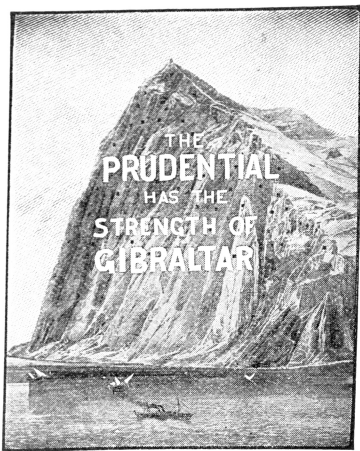


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SCHOOL NEWS.

ANDOVER.

Monday evening, March 19, the Phillips Andover Academy Alumni Association held its seventh biennial dinner at the Vendome, Boston. The President of the Association, Samuel Carter Darling, presided, and the speakers were Cecil F. P. Bancroft, Principal of the Academy, Arthur Twining Hadley, President of Yale, Prof. LeBaron Russell Briggs, Dean of Harvard College, Bird Sim Coler, Controller of New York City, James Henry Flint, Judge of Probate for Norfolk County, Rev. Francis T. Hazlewood, District Secretary of the American Baptist Home Missionary Society, and Rev. E. Winchester Donald, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.

Dr. Bancroft, who was given a warm welcome by the entire assemblage, spoke of the dormitory, now nearly completed, and the prospective gymnasium. He said that \$55,000,000 was given in donations to educational institutions last year. Most of it went to colleges and institutions of higher learning, but he thought the fitting schools should be remembered. He thought it was more important that a boy attend a good school than a good college.

President Hadley paid a high tribute to the force and influence of Andover men at Yale, saying that the standing of Andover graduates has never been higher than to-day. He spoke of the desirability of cooperation between the school and college in maintaining a high standard, and suggested a sort of educational trust of all colleges and schools, which should create a public sentiment that would purify politics and make all the institutions of the country better.

Prof. Briggs said that it is not the text-books that a man may write that make his name a power, but the force of his character and example.

Mr. Coler, '88, was introduced as "the next mayor of New York." He said: "The power of the school in politics, like Niagara, is so grand and beautiful that we are just beginning to realize that we may use it in a practical way. I believe that every school in the country, from the little red school house on the hill to the great universities, should teach the boys and young men of the land to take an active and healthful interest in public affairs, or in politics and government, to speak plainly. Let the schools create good citizens, who will take enough interest in politics to carry elections, and there will be no more corrupt government. When young men are taught to seek public life as a road to honor and not to wealth, when they do their duty in such a life, no matter how small the station, when they shall be looked upon with the same respect and confidence as the minister, scientist or teacher, then we may truly say that the American ideal of government has been reached."

The Andover Glee Club, Harold P. Dyer, leader, sang several selections during the evening.

Friday evening, March 16; the annual

concert by the three musical clubs was given before a good sized audience in the town hall. It was an excellent entertainment, reflecting much credit upon the leaders, Harold P. Dyer, of the Glee, Frank Squier, Jr., of the Mandolin, and Seth H. Mosely, Jr., of the Banjo Clubs. Every selection was encored.

Frederick Huntington Day, 1901, of Indianapolis, Ind., has been elected managing editor of the *Phillipian* for next year, and the following new members have been elected to the editorial board: Chas. Samuel Fallows, 1901 of Chicago; Lowell Melcher Clucas, 1901 of New York, and John Ezra Ayers, 1902, of Spring Valley, N. Y.

Day is a brother of Dwight H. Day, Chairman of the Yale *News* in 1898-99, and W. E. Day, 1902, who is also on the *News* staff. Both were managing editors of the *Phillipian*.

Tuesday evening, March 20, the eighth annual Philo-Forum debate was held. Forum's representatives were Emerson Woods Baker, 1900 of Fitchburg, Mass., leader, with Francis J. O'Connor, 1900 of Lawrence, assistant. The Philomathian Society was represented by George Edmond Merrill, 1900 of Cheyenne, Wyo., leader, with John Emmet Sweet, 1900 of Montrose, Pa., assistant.

The Forum supported the affirmative and Philo the negative of the question, "Resolved, That Great Britain's present form of government is preferable to that of the United States," and very able arguments were presented on both sides. The affirmative won. This is the sixth out of a series of eight annual debates that Forum has won. The judges were Prof. C. C. Torrey, Mr. F. O. Baldwin and Mr. G. E. Johnson of Andover.

Phillips Andover closed a week earlier than usual, on March 21, on account of sickness, including the general prevalence of influenza and various forms of grippe, and some throat troubles.

CUSHING.

On Monday evening, March 12, Cushing was defeated by Mount Hermon School in a debate on the following question, in which Cushing took the affirmative:

"Resolved, That England's demands upon the Boers are just." Affirmative, Cushing Academy, Messrs. Sibley, Fields and Adams.

Negative: Mount Hermon School, Messrs. Coleman, Wymouth and Simpson.

J. G. Edgerly, Fitchburg, presided. Judges, Judge Francis Thompson, Greenfield; Principal Wallace E. Mason, Leominster and Rev. E. P. Butler, Greenfield.

Honors for Prof. Parker.

Professor Horatio W. Parker, of the Department of Music of the University, has accepted a commission to compose a work for chorus and orchestra for the Festival of the Three Choirs, at Hereford, England, to be performed in September. He has accepted an invitation

to direct the preparatory rehearsals and the first performance. Professor Parker has also received an invitation to be present at the Chester Triennial Festival, July 25-27, at Chester, England, to conduct a performance of his cantata, "Hora Novissima."

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