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## IN VITA, IN MORTE!

What is the brain? A grayish mass of clay  
That feels for man the passions that he knows,  
That ponders listlessly until the day  
When God upon the man a zephyr blows,  
By whose soft breath the mind learns to obey  
The touch of love that in the human flows.

What is the heart? A beating cone of dust,  
That throbs with rhythmic measure—and again,  
That thrills the carnate being with a lust,  
And starts, with fiery madness, through each vein  
A wild desire for love, and bids us trust  
The tender impulse gendered in the brain.

What is the soul? A mere ethereal sense,  
That runs the race begun, when life has sped.  
But measured by the earthly pain intense,  
And by the bitter tears the man has shed,  
That knew the worldly love, and fleeting hence,  
Still bears that love when brain and heart are dead.

H. A. MILLER, JR., '08.

## THE NEGRO QUESTION, FROM ONE POINT OF VIEW.

WHEN a man says that he believes the negro should be disfranchised; that is, the right of voting in state and national elections be taken from him, it does not follow that he is unfriendly to the negro. For altho many of the negro's best friends (including Booker Washington, one of the best of his own race) believe that he has been treated unjustly, and even

cruelly, in being carried off from his native country and sold into slavery, they do not believe that he has either the moral or mental qualifications that a voter should have, and as a voter, they consider him a menace to society. For our government is "a government of the people, for the people, and by the people," and must of necessity reflect the mental and moral tone of the people.

The officials of this government are elected by the votes of the citizens of this country, and are neither better nor worse than the voters who elect them. Therefore if we are to have good, able, honest men in control of the affairs of our country, we must have honest intelligent voters, who understand the manner in which this government is carried on and know the issues of each political campaign, and what principles each political party stands for and pledges itself to support.

And more than this they should be men of good enough character; men that cannot be bribed, and men strong enough and courageous enough to prevent their being led or coerced into voting against their principles, or kept from voting entirely, by corrupt politicians.

The voter should be a man of good morals; he should have a home which he loves, as an incentive for electing men to office who will give him good government and protection for his home and family.

He should be an industrious man, one who earns his living "by the sweat

of his brow," whether this sweat is brought forth by physical or mental labor, it should be there. For if a man does not work, what will he care whether or not the party in power advances the interest of the working man?

He should be a respecter of the rights of his fellowman, and should not only himself keep the laws which he helps to make, but he should also discourage others from committing any infractions against these laws. For infractions lead to lawlessness, and lawlessness breeds crime.

And above all he should respect the rights of the weaker sex, and should defend it in every way. Because a man who has no respect for and will not defend a woman is a very poor specimen of manhood, and surely is not worthy of taking any part in the affairs of the commonwealth.

I claim that the voters of the country should have these mental and moral qualifications, because without them we are sure to fall into anarchy, and from anarchy will spring a despotism. Look at Hayti, where some years ago a Republic was founded, but the people were ignorant and had neither these moral nor mental requisites for governing themselves. What is the result? Anarchy of the worst sort!

Look at Rome, at one time a Republic; there too the people lacked these requisites and behold the result: Anarchy, and following anarchy a despotism that finally resulted in the dissolution of the Empire.



The white races of this country, which are now intermingled, have been civilized for periods varying from fifteen hundred to twenty-five hundred years, and as yet have hardly reached this state of being capable of governing themselves. The negro has only been associated with civilization for about two hundred years, one hundred and sixty of which he has spent in slavery. He is now a freedman or the son of a freedman, with forty years of political experience; and if he has reached the state which it took the Anglo Saxon a thousand years of civilization and self control to attain, his must be a very marvelous race indeed.

But the negro has not reached this state, he possesses as a race almost none of these qualifications. He is ignorant of the science of government, hardly knowing the difference between a Republic and an Empire.

He does not understand the issues of the political campaigns, nor does he know what principles he supports when he votes, as you may easily see, by asking one of them the difference between free trade and a protective tariff, and which he voted for at the last election.

He seldom if ever works, and so it matters little to him what party is in power, and whether it advances or detracts from the interests of the working man.

He has not a strong enough character to resist the offer of a bribe for his vote, if indeed he desired to do so. The majority of the race do not. And even

if he does not take money for his vote, he is in many cases coerced into voting one way or another, by politicians, or intimidated by threats of violence, is kept away from the polls.

For an example of this look at any part of the South where the negroes are not disfranchised and you find them led up to the polls and voted "in blocks," or not allowed to vote at all.

Examine for a moment his private life. He has no home life. That is, he may live in a house with some woman, but very few of them live for any length of time with their lawfully wedded wives and their legitimate children. They allow their children (many of whom never know who their fathers are) "to grow up in the streets," paying no attention to them whatever, thus making it impossible for their offspring to become good citizens.

The negro has no respect for the law, and encourages others of his race in breaking it.

If one of them commits a crime, especially against a white man, any negro will shelter him and protect him in every way possible from the officers of the law.

He has no respect for woman, rarely living with any one for any length of time; has no sense of chivalry, and would strike a helpless woman as quick or more quickly than he would strike a man. All of this leads to the cultivation of the baser passions of a man's nature, as well as weakening the will power necessary to control them.

This is shown clearly by the number

of criminal assaults committed upon white women by negroes.

Any one reading this may say that he knows negroes whom this description does not fit. But if he will examine the negro population of any fair sized town south of the Mason and Dixon line, he will find the typical negro very much as he is described here.

And any one, whoever he may be, provided he is a fair minded man, must

agree with me in saying that a class of people constituting one-fifth of the population of the United States, and the majority in some states, who are shiftless, lazy and lawless; who have no respect for woman, no sense of chivalry; who have no knowledge of the science of government, who know little and care less about the political issues at stake, and who sell their votes to the highest bidder, should be disfranchised.

J. C. S., '07.

## THE PANTHER SCARE.

ABOUT six miles from E—— there is a little village, which, at the time of the incident to be related, could proudly boast of a blacksmith shop, a grist mill and a general store; the last named establishment also doing the duty of a post office. It had been the custom, during many years, for the young men about the neighborhood to gather here in the winter evening and sit about the glowing fire, while they talked over local news and spun yarns for the gratification of their curious listeners.

Often the conversation would consist largely of ghost stories, the evil machinations of witches, and other themes quite as weird. Indeed, the introduction of the supernatural element never failed to secure the undivided attention of everyone present. Then all eyes would be most intently fixed upon the speaker, and all ears strained to catch every word he uttered,

as he told of an encounter he had once experienced with a goblin, from whose terrible clutches he had barely escaped alive; or as he related how, once, a neighbor had been mysteriously disturbed in his sleep for three successive nights, and then had suddenly disappeared.

Frequently, it was quite late before they realized how many hours they had spent; so rapidly does time fly when one is absorbed in pleasure. Many a time, indeed, the midnight found them still together, apparently not at all concerned that a lonely walk was still before some of them ere they could reach their homes. But, at length, with minds full of such thoughts and apprehensions as these stories tend to excite, they would begin their journey, some of them in small parties, others alone, the eye interpreting every isolated tree stump, every conspicuous boulder as some



spectre of the night; the ear perceiving in every rustling of the leaves and brushwood, the ominous and stealthy movements of some prowling goblin. Now the lonely pedestrian would fearfully look behind himself at every hundred yards, expecting to find it close upon his heels, although he did his best to keep up courage and shake off that feeling of timidity. And only when securely within his room with a light beside him would he feel again composed.

On one occasion, a cold Saturday evening, when the wind whistled among the swaying branches of the trees just without the door, and at intervals, shook the large building with its sudden blasts, the company had gathered about the store apparently waiting for someone to open the conversation. They did not, however, have to wait long; for during the week something had occurred, which was well worthy of the consideration of every thoughtful person in the neighborhood.

Mr. R——, while on his way home, Monday afternoon, had caught a glimpse of what he felt sure was a panther. In fact, he was willing to bet his whole farm that he had seen nothing less than the very panther that had escaped from a circus a few weeks before. Moreover, Sam Jones, while passing by the same road the following morning, saw the beast stalking along the edge of the wood, as though searching for something upon which to make a breakfast. Others, too, had seen

some four-footed creature prowling about at dusk, but did not wait to obtain a nearer view so as to determine just what it might be. Several lambs and one grown sheep had been missed (suddenly) within the past few days. One man had heard a strange noise in the night, and still another had noticed peculiar foot-prints about his barnyard.

Indeed, nearly everyone had seen or heard the dreaded creature, or knew someone else who had. So this one theme absorbed their attention during the whole evening. It was a topic which could not fail to be of interest to all present, and especially to those who would soon have to set out on lonely ways toward home.

Among them, there was one young man, who, altho he listened carefully to others relating their stories and adventures, had seen nothing to alarm him, and so was disposed to discredit the reports made by those who thought they had. Jim,—for this was his name—lived about two miles from the store where they were accustomed to assemble, and his home was so situated that the distance by road was considerably greater even than this; but by taking a by-road through a long wood it was possible to save many steps.

The enthusiastic company at length broke up, and some taking one road and some another, they all set out for their different homes. When the party, of which Jim was a member, reached the lane entering the wood, he expressed his intention of leaving them and taking the short cut. His com-

panions urged him to come with them ; but he declared that he was not the least bit afraid to pursue the way alone. After a few parting words he entered the wood.

It was just light enough to follow the path. The stars were shining, but the moon was scarcely bright enough to enable its beams to penetrate the rather dense undergrowth on either side of the lane. The wind had fallen somewhat, so that there was little to be heard but the sound of his own footsteps as he strode briskly along.

On entering the wood, he had picked up a couple of large stones, which he thought might be a possible means of defense, if occasion should suddenly demand. He was a good marksman with a stone ; so he felt quite sure that he was a match for anything which might attempt to intercept him, whether it were man, beast, or goblin. Indeed he was congratulating himself on the self-composure and fearlessness with which he felt possessed, when a very slight rustling sound attracted his attention. He kept on, however, not at all disconcerted ; but on the contrary, by a little effort he summoned all his latent resolution and courage and seemed to himself braver than ever. The sound became more and more distinct, and was evidently coming nearer, although he could see nothing. The crackling of brushwood and the rustling of dead leaves told him conclusively that something was advancing with regular tread toward him. His courage lately raised

to so high a pitch now began to fail a little. So he struck up a familiar air, as one often does when perplexed or when endeavoring to drive away fear.

At length the sound seemed almost at his side. Looking to the left, he perceived two balls of fire as large as walnuts quite close together. He halts, and the stones fall from his hands. His gaze is fixed upon those gleaming orbs, which grow larger the longer he looks ; until now they seem almost moons. He has been, as it were, petrified for a moment,—which now seems an age. Awakening from this stupor, he gathers himself together, and at a bound dashed beyond what he now sees is nothing else than the panther.

But the beast is also fleet of foot. In spite of his greatest efforts, he can hear the dull thud of its feet and is sure that he can feel the hot breath of the panting animal, as it bounds close upon his heels. Is there any hope of escape ? Surely the man will be overtaken ! He cannot hold out. He is fleeing as the wind, his feet scarcely touching the earth, but still those ferocious jaws seem closer every instant.

Yet, with that intense anguish and that gnawing suspense which overwhelms the mind of one expecting every instant to undergo some great ordeal, he keeps on. Soon the yard fence is cleared at a bound, but his pursuer is still as close as ever. He gains the porch, bursts through the door, and falls fainting headlong into the hall.

He recovers in a short time to find



that his good dog, Rover, had come to meet him on his way home. But seemingly not appreciating the attentions of his canine friend, he did his best to leave Rover behind, while the poor dog

exerted himself to keep up with his fleet-footed master, as he sped over hill and dale, never even stopping to see whether he had run over anybody in his mad flight. W. E. H., '06.

## MILTON'S LYCIDAS.

THE poem Lycidas was written by John Milton in 1637 as a lament for the death of Edward King, who was drowned while on his way to Iceland. The ship in which King sailed went down in a calm sea, having struck a hidden rock off the coast of Wales.

Although this poem was written as an eulogy on the death of King, Milton leaves his personal and restricted subject and treats somewhat of two issues of the day, the state of contemporary poetry and the corrupt condition of the Church. Milton dwelt on these subjects because he knew that King had written some poetry and that he had expected to enter the services of the Church. At this time Milton was a Puritan and differences were becoming so marked between the Puritans and the Cavaliers that they were fast approaching a revolution.

Milton seems to have divided his poem into six parts, with two subdivisions in the fourth. In the first division he tells why he has written the poem; in the second, he calls upon the Muse to help him; in the third, he recalls his early companionship with King, and in the fourth, he tries to find out why the loss of Lycidas, or King, was permitted and to whom or

to what it is attributable. In this division Milton has his two digressions. In the fifth, Milton returns to the personal and gives his memorial on King; in the sixth, he passes to the hope that is to a Christian on death.

Milton first tells why he has been called to write after about three years of study. To the subject of this poem he gives the name Lycidas, chosen from classic elegies. Milton calls upon the Muses, the Sisters of the sacred well, to aid him in this task, for which he feels he is so unfitted. After this Milton dwells upon their early companionship, comparing it to shepherds and their flocks feeding upon the same pasture, and calling the undergraduates Satyrs and Fauns and one of their tutors "Old Domaetas." Then he begins his issues on the state of poetry and the corruption of the Church. He calls the Welsh coast, the "steep," and the Dee river, from which King sailed on his fatal trip, the Dera. Milton seeks from the Nymphs, Triton, "the Herald of the the Sea," and Camus clad in river weed and sedge, the cause of Lycidas' death. Then he begins his passage on the corruption of the Church, addressing Peter as the "Pilot of the Galilean Lake," and referring to the rich people in the

Church, who are too good to see the poor and those who need help, as those who are sped. Then Milton begins his memorial. He lays on King's coffin or hearse, the rathe primrose, the token of early youth; the crow-toe, of ungratitude; the white pink, of ingeniousness and talent; the jet pansy, of sorrowful thoughts; the musk-rose, of charm; the wood-bine, of fraternal love; the cow-slip, of winning grace;

the amaranthus, of unfading love; and the daffadillies, of regard; and all the flowers that wore the gard of mourning. Then Milton seems to take more hope and cheerfulness as he begins to feel the hope in a Christian life and seems to think Lycidas is not dead but has arisen higher to a region much better than the one on which he had been dwelling. W. C. D. JR., '08.

### McNEAL'S LEAP.

THE Freshman Class of 19— had been exceedingly active during the Fall term, and the Sophomore Class had been exceedingly quiet. The Freshmen had painted their numerals everywhere: On the outside of the gymnasium, on the fences, on the B. & O. water tanks, on the tradesmen's signs in the town, on the pavement in front of the home of one of the professors; in fact, they had literally painted the town. The tranquility of the Sophs should have warned the Freshmen to look out for squalls, but they were confident in their power and took no heed. Inside of the gymnasium on opposite walls, the Freshmen Class numerals had been painted in large white numbers; but what was particularly calculated to incite the Sophs was a large grinning caricature done in white paint with the word "Soph" below it in large letters.

At last the Sophs were aroused. On the Monday following the appearance

of this last "outrage," as they called it, they swarmed in an angry mob over to the gymnasium. One of the Freshmen, Tayerville by name, happened to be in the "gymn" at the time. The Sophs seized him provided him with sandpaper, and ordered him to rub out the offending picture. He refused and told them that there were not enough Sophomores in the college to make him erase one line. The now thoroughly enraged students hauled him out of the building and started for the shower bath. The rest of the Freshmen were at their work in the wood shop. When they became aware of what was happening outside, they began to organize a rescue, but were ordered by the professor not to leave the building. In the meantime the Sophomores, after a discussion, released their prisoner and the incident terminated.

For a few weeks, the Freshmen were on the alert. After what had occurred, they reasoned, the Sophs would surely



attempt reprisals. However all was quiet and as time went on, their vigilance relaxed. But all this time the Sophs were not idle, they were busy planning a most complete revenge for the indignity offered them. When everything had settled down and the Freshmen had grown careless, the Sophomores held a secret meeting. The plan of revenge was stated and the date of its execution fixed. All the details were arranged and the plan perfected.

One cold clear night in early December, the Sophomores gathered together for their grand coup. Those who lived in Wilmington had come down on the evening train, and the whole class of thirty or more students marched in a body around to the boarding houses of the Freshmen.

The first place they visited was "Belmont Hall," situated on Quality Hill. Here McNeal, the president of the Freshman Class and his chum, Tom Maynard, boarded. Two other Freshmen, Billy Vaughan and "Freddy" Vandever, were visiting them that evening. The "Belmont" being a boarding house the Sophs had no difficulty in entering, and the first thing the Freshmen knew of the situation was the sudden opening of the door and the sight of half a dozen Sophs in the entrance. Now, McNeal was the possessor of a large .44 calibre horse pistol, which he had brought with him from the West, after a former visit of the Sophomores he had loaded it with blank cartridges and placed it in a con-

venient drawer. The instant he perceived the intruders he sprang to his feet, leveled the big revolver and discharged it again and again in the faces of the terrified hazers. They turned and fled wildly down the stairs, each one thinking himself the only one left alive. The Freshmen, laughing heartily, barricaded the door.

When the Sophomores had somewhat recovered from their panic they opened communications with the Freshmen by means of the window. And here the Fresh made their first mistake. When the vast crowd of Sophs urged them to come down, swearing that if they did not they would receive worse treatment in the future. They did so on the condition that the Sophs would not do them any bodily injury or do anything that would ruin their clothes.

The Sophomores, having gained their point, provided them with brushes and black paint, and forced them to paint out all of their class numerals which could be found in the dark. Then they adjourned to the gymnasium and ordered the poor fellows to paint out the picture of the Sophs. They refused. The Sophs threatened to shower-bath them, black them with shoe blacken and to pelt them with rotten eggs if they did not obey. What could the poor fellows do? There were four Freshmen and thirty-five Sophomores. There was no alternative but to obey.

But McNeal was determined not to do any more painting. He considered

that the Sophs had broken their agreement when they threatened to do him and his companions an injury, and therefore he was at liberty to break his own promise, to do as they wished. Now, in front of the gymnasium was a porch the full length of the building, and the windows of the second story, where the crowd of Sophomores and Freshmen were, opened out on its roof. One of the Juniors, who was standing by, gave him a quiet wink and softly opened a window. Like a flash McNeal caught his plan. He waited for a few minutes and, when the attention of the Sophs was distracted, broke away from the crowd and sprang through the open window. Although it was a fifteen foot drop from the roof to the ground, he did not hesitate an instant, but sprang out into the darkness.

By great good luck he landed on his feet unhurt. Behind him he could hear a great commotion and the sound of men running down the stairs. He lost no time but dashed away into the night. He did not rest until, utterly exhausted, he had reached his room. In the confusion his fellow class mates also escaped and there was no more hazing that night. FARNAN, '06.

### **The Engineering Society.**

The students are showing great interest in the work of the Engineering Society; and the meeting, held in the Societies room on every other Thursday evening, are well attended. The program, which usually consists of the reading of two papers and three or four extemporaneous speeches on tech-

nical themes, has been carried out with snap and enthusiasm. The following is the program of the meeting held on November 23: Paper, "St. Lawrence Bridge at Quebec," by H. A. Cramer, '06; paper, "Electricity Superseding Steam on Railroads Around New York City," by F. Derby, '06; extemporaneous, "Wireless Telegraphy Under Water," by Paul Rossell, '07; extemporaneous, "The Manufacture of Paper," by Paul Keppel, '07.

### **The Junior Prom.**

The coming Junior Prom. will probably be held in the new gymnasium. The general form of the new room will give an opportunity for the making of some unusually fine decorations. The great interest shown by all the Juniors in the coming dance makes it assured that the work of preparing for it will not rest upon a few men. With the combined efforts of every Junior we may expect a dance that will equal those given at Delaware College in the past.

On November 11, the President of the Junior Class appointed the following committee to arrange for the dance: Music—Diffenderfer, chairman; Blake, Homewood. Refreshments—Rossell, chairman; F. S. Price, Perkins. Decorations—Francis, chairman; Cain, Messick, George Francis, Buckmaster, Stein, McFarlin, H. M. Price, Ridgely. Floor—P. H. Keppel, chairman; Stevens, Warrington. Crossan, J. C. Smith. Invitations and Program—Griffin, chairman; Huisson, Singles, T. B. Smith.



## LIKE ONE I HEARD.

*Bright Things Over Which People Have Laughed.*

### Both Were Knights.

He was a very decided English type, and as he stopped an Irishman and asked for a light he volunteered to say :

"Excuse me, my man, for stopping you as an entire stranger. But at home, I am a person of some importance. I am Sir James B——, Knight of the Garter, Knight of the Double Eagle, Knight of the Golden Fleece, Knight of the Iron Cross. And your name is —what, my man?"

"My name," was the ready reply : "Is Michael Murphy. Night before last, last night, and every night, Michael Murphy."—Short Stories.



### A Difficult Position.

Two Irishmen were crossing a bog, when one of them fell into a mud hole. His companion, running to a nearby farm house, asked the loan of a spade.

"What do you want it for?" asked the farmer.

"Sure, Mike is stuck in the bog, and I want to dig him out," was the answer.

"How far is he sunk?" questioned the farmer.

"Up to his ankles."

"Begorra, then he can easily walk out."

"Begorra, he can't," exclaimed Pat, he's in wrong end up."—Harpers Weekly.



### Wife Worship.

Mrs. Charlotte Gilman was criticising wife worship—the old-fashioned,

unreasoning, blind admiration that woman paid to her husband in the past, regarding him as the handsomest, bravest, wisest and most learned of men.

"Mrs. Gladstone," she said, "worshipped her husband in this way ; but, then, she had some reason.

"Even in her case, though, the good lady's exaggerated wife worship would sometimes make her appear ridiculous.

"Thus she was staying once at a country house, and, on a certain evening, having finished dressing before her husband, she descended to the drawing room alone. In the drawing room three or four gentlemen were discussing the misfortunes of Ireland. One of them, as she entered, said :

" 'I can't imagine what will be the fate of poor old Erin, but there's One above who knows.' "

" 'Yes,' said Mrs. Gladstone, complacently, 'he will be down in a minute. He is upstairs brushing his hair.' "



### Definition Of An Orphan.

"What is an orphan?" asked the teacher of the class in definition. Nobody seemed to know.

"Well, I'm an orphan," said the teacher, seeking an illustration that would not reveal too much.

At this a hand popped up and the owner of it exclaimed : "An orphan is a woman that wants to get married and can't."—Technical World.

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## EDITORIAL

### THE PRICE OF NOTORIETY.

Like the poor, the Freshmen are always with us. In many wonderful and unexpected ways we are constantly made mindful of their presence. Their last especially noteworthy act was the putting up, in Newark and the neighboring towns, of some large posters advertising the sale of the Class of '08, by the order of the Class of '09.

On the surface the posting of the bills appears to be an exhibition of cleverness, originality and daring. But, like some of the insurance companies, it will not stand a close inspection.

The publishing and posting of these bill was not, in reality, a Freshman Class affair. It was the act of a few individuals, who, without the knowledge or consent of the rest of the class, took this medium of stating to the public their opinion of several and not the whole of the Sophomore Class.

The bills show no originality whatsoever. They were copied from another degenerated copy of the posters customarily put up by the lower classes of the larger universities. The latter bills are written in decent, gentlemanly language, and in no way reflect discredit upon the institutions; whereas, the bill recently posted here are written in language unbecoming to gentlemen and of a nature tending to disgrace and lower the reputation of the college.

Then too, the self-appointed bill posters have made their class responsible for the irrelevant breaking of a very old Delaware custom: that of putting up class numerals by every Freshman Class some time during their first month at the college. They have disregarded a precedent and substituted nothing better in its place.

Furthermore, the whole Freshman Class disappeared from the college the morning after the appearance of these bills. Never before in the history of the college has a class run in the face of danger and failed to back up or support any of its acts.



If the part of the class not implicated in the posting of the bills had compelled the other part to take the responsibility of the posters' appearance, then, to a great extent, at least, they might have redeemed themselves.

The Freshman Class has gained nothing by the posting of the bills but a little notoriety—and it has cost them dear.



#### DR. DAWSON'S ADDRESS.

It is well-known that the members of a class in a certain subject at this college have for years been accustomed to dress in their best clothes when they attend an examination on that subject. By so doing they believe they will have a better chance to "get through," and they can cite instances to substantiate their faith. This all goes to show how little the students know some instructors and how little these instructors know the students.

However, there are other instructors, who, in various ways and without lowering their dignity, become acquainted with the individual student and do not consider him as only a unit of a whole. They are therefore able to take advantage of each student's characteristics and to approach him accordingly. By so doing they aid in the cultivation of the individual and the subordination of the "mere machine."

So when Dr. Edgar Dawson, who has shown great interest in athletics, literary societies and in the REVIEW, addressed the student body on Monday morning, December 4, the students knew that he spoke purely and unselfishly for their best interests.

He briefly and forcefully called the attention of the Engineering students to the fact that they are neglecting to improve the opportunities offered by the college literary societies to develop the power of logical, speech making. In proving this mistake and in showing the value of this opportunity he several times referred to a recent address delivered by Mr. John S. Converse, before the Association of Colleges and Schools, on the education of business men, in which he lamented the fact that "engineers and business men do not, because of their inability to speak, take part in municipal and state government, when they are generally more capable of deciding the questions which arise than men who now have this work to do."

The Engineering student who does not now recognize the value of this counsel and act accordingly, will in the future, probably regret the lost opportunity. He will be able to blame no one but himself; for everything possible is done by the college authorities, the literary societies and the Engineering Society to facilitate his work in acquiring the power of public speaking. If the majority of the Engineers continue to disregard the opportunities offered them, they should not be greatly surprised if the Faculty should decide to do what is done in

many preparatory schools, make the attendance at literary societies compulsory.

Dr. Dawson furthermore suggested that each student specialize on some one subject in which he is especially interested, and "study it independently and more broadly than the immediate requirements of the class room,"—in other words, he urged them, "to get out of the habits of school boys and into those of university men."

There are many students who would like to follow this advice, but, the great number of studies required in each course and the notable fact that each professor considers his branch the most important—makes it practically impossible for them to do so. It is also difficult to assimilate the habits of university men, when the selection of studies and the length of time to be spent upon each subject is governed and restricted by many school boy rules and regulations.



#### WANTED: A "SHERLOCK HOLMES."

Some one, in criticising the above title, remarked that it was contrary to all known precedents and that it was a little too sensational for the REVIEW. Perhaps there is some grounds for the gentleman's criticism. But if he will investigate more thoroughly he will find that among other things, the great minority and decrease of the Classical students attending the college makes necessary and advisable a few radical changes in the constitution of the Press Association. We have decided to be a little sensational—for a short time, at least—in order to attract attention and endeavor to gain new life for the REVIEW rather than remain nobly conservative and die heroically with another exponent of that principle—the Democratic Party.

After reading the following list of the inducements which tend to attract the students to local organizations, particularly noticing those pertaining to the REVIEW and comparing them with the others, and at the same time keeping in mind the evident necessity of offering some incentives to the Engineering students to do literary work, you will understand why the Review is not as attractive and as creditable a publication as we all desire it to be.

We will first consider some of the encouragements offered in athletics: The successful candidate for the varsity football team is given a large honorary "D" and a jersey. He has the pleasure of free trips with the team to other colleges, knowing all resulting absences from recitations will be excused. The opportunity to travel with the fellows is no small inducement.

With the exception of a "D. S" instead of a "D" and fewer trips, the same may be said of the second team.

Then, too, all candidates are carefully trained by a professional coach, engaged by the Athletic Association.

The same inducements are offered men to play baseball.



A banner is presented to the champion class tennis team and a fine racket to the best individual player.

An afternoon is given over to field sports. Medals are offered by some of the Alumni to the athletes who break the college records.

A large portion of the college campus is used by the different departments of athletics. The new gymnasium will make our system of athletics more general and facilitate physical exercise for those students who are prohibited playing football and many of the outdoor games.

And, last but not least, the greatest encouragement given athletics, and what makes the offering of many of the preceding inducements possible, is the collecting by the college authorities, from each student, the sum of \$4.00 a year, or \$16.00 during a four years' course. This money is placed at the disposal of the Athletic Association.

We will now consider the Literary Societies: No recitations are scheduled for one afternoon each week in order to give these societies a time to meet. The Alumni Association stimulates their work by offering annually three prizes to be won by orators.

Finally, we will consider the REVIEW. It is the only student publication of Delaware College. It gives every student an opportunity to do practical literary work and to develop his power of expression. It is undoubtedly one of the greatest advertisements of the College, for it circulates not only through Delaware and the surrounding states, but among the educational institutions throughout the Union. It is the medium through which the Alumni and friends of the College may keep in touch with our "doing" and with many of their friends.

Certainly, if the REVIEW accomplishes all this it must offer many inducements to the students to work upon its pages. The Classical students are few and the Engineering students are many, and Delaware College is noted for its "square deals," therefore, you will expect to find many unusually attractive offers. We regret exceedingly that we cannot fulfil your expectations; but we hope to surprise you.

First, the publication of the REVIEW is encouraged and aided in the following manner: The Faculty permits it to be published. The majority of the members of the Faculty are subscribers. A few—very few of the Alumni, and a few of the Trustees also subscribers. The college and the merchants of Delaware, recognizing the value of the REVIEW pages, advertise liberally. And, what will greatly surprise you, *only a little more than one-half of the student body are members of the Press Association.*

Second, the students are encouraged to work on the REVIEW's editorial staff and to contribute articles to its pages in the following ways: Here our im-

agination at last fails and conceives nothing ; our books are devoid of any clue and our memory is also "not guilty." The mere playing of football affords pleasure, but, to the majority, the writing for the REVIEW is work to which the word "exercise" will not apply. Surely, then, there must be something that tends to induce students to take an active part in the publication of this paper, and if any one can aid us to find it we will be very grateful. The famed "Le Coq," "Sherlock Holmes," "Dupin," and "Raffles," yea, even the invulnerable "Nick Carter" would, in our estimation, be only a shadow to the discoverer.

There is every reason why these inducements should exist. But do they? If we follow the principles of "Sherlock Holmes" we will soon discover that they cannot exist, for the simple reason that the REVIEW's present financial condition will not support them.

And, now, in order to make possible the offering of a few prizes for poems, stories, essays and the publication of photographs and drawing, we would suggest that the College authorities be petitioned to do for the REVIEW to some extent what it has done for athletics—collect from each student a small sum—say, 75 cents a year for the support of the paper.

There are, at the present time, several prizes offered for essays, but altho these accomplish much good they do not—directly at least—benefit the REVIEW. Photographs and drawings are not absolutely necessary but they would greatly improve the appearance of the paper. And of course, every student would have College spirit enough to aid in the publishing of a paper which would reflect credit upon Delaware College, but our Business Manager finds that the College spirit of many fellows is nothing but an empty "huh-ray !" Talk's cheap. They will not subscribe when they can read someone else's paper.

Although few if any of the present editorial board would be interested in such a babble, the offering to a man who makes an editorship upon the paper, something similar to the "D" given the football man—say a blue and gold hat band, might induce some fellows to try for an office.

In order to make the REVIEW a more representative paper and to give a larger number of students an active part in its production we suggest the following staff of officers : Editor-in-Chief ; Assistant Editor ; Literary Editor ; Local Editor ; De Alumnis Editor , Athletic Editor ; Inter-Collegiate Editor ; Business Manager ; Assistant Manager. And reports from each of the following organizations : Senior, Junior, Sophomore and Freshman Classes, Fraternity, Literary Societies, Y. M. C. A., Engineering Society and all other local organizations.

The Editor-in-Chief, to be elected for next year by the present editorial staff. All the other editorial positions to be won by competition, in which quality as well as quantity of work will be considered. The reporters to be elected



by the bodies from which they shall report. It will be advantageous for these organizations to elect capable men, so that they will be creditably represented on the pages of the REVIEW.

We will not discuss the many possible benefits to be derived from these changes. With a little thought we believe you will easily find them, but, if perchance, you think the plans suggested not practicable or advisable, kindly make known to us your reasons.

## LOCALS.

BAKER TAYLOR, '08 Editor.

The Freshmen have elected Wingate, President, and Charles Kepple, Secretary and Treasurer, to serve the class throughout this scholastic year.

Charles Killen, ex '08, who is now attending Haverford, was present at the Thanksgiving day football game.

On Wednesday afternoon, November 22, the Senior Class elected the following officers for the present scholastic year: President, Fader; Vice President, Hewes; Treasurer, Harkness.

Moore, '06: "Julian, how do you get your military coat on without swearing."

J. Smith, '07: "I don't."

Day, ex '08, who is now attending the University of Pennsylvania, visited the College Thanksgiving day.

Townsmen: "Dr. why didn't the sale come off?"

Dr. C —: "There were no bidders."

Harrie Bell, ex. '07, now of the University of Virginia, visited the college on Thanksgiving day.

Charles Blake, '07, recently spent a few days in Princeton.

Herbert Ridgely, '07, returned home for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Some members of the Junior Class are considering the advisability of presenting Lester E. Voss with a pass to and from Philadelphia.

Derby, Jr., is a howling addition to the Freshman Class.

Francis, endeavoring to arouse spirit in the Mask and Wig Club: "Everybody help! Those who cannot do anything, just do all you can!"

Some of the professors were surprised at the number of absences from recitations on Wednesday, November 29. We do not know whether the following notice which appeared on the bulletin board was the cause, or whether it has been used as an excuse by some student or not: "Thanksgiving recess will begin Wednesday, November 29, at 2.15 o'clock. Work will be resumed on Monday morning at 8.50 o'clock, December 4. Of course all students who are through with their work before 2.15 *may go home as soon as they care to.*"

Wanted: A cushioned, reclining chair, to be used by Voss in the class rooms.

Blake's always in trouble. The

latest reports state that while visiting Middletown recently he tried to light a cigar from an electric light.

Charles P. Messick, '07, was elected Captain of the football team for the season of 1906.

Perkins (at the Thanksgiving game): "Say Smith, have you seen Miss S. or Miss A.

Smith: "Yes they are both over on the other side of the field."

Perkins: "Well for pity sake keep them there, for I'm up against it now with three others that I've made engagements with."

## DE ALUMNIS.

KARL L. HERRMANN, '08, Editor.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Blore, in Camden, N. J., was recently visited by the proverbial stork, which brightened that household with a son. Mr. Blore has for some time been manager of a machine department at the Victor Talking Machine Company's plant.

Theodore R. Wolf, M. E., '01, is now located in Cleveland, Ohio, as Supervisor of the Cleveland Leader press room. The Leader is one of the largest newspapers printed in that city.

W. O. Sypherd, '96, is taking graduate work in English literature at Harvard University.

J. Pearce Cann, '01, was recently admitted to the bar at Wilmington.

Harry W. Lyndall, '05, has gone to Hayti, where H. M. Stevens, ex. '06,

has been employed on railroad work for some time.

John F. Carrick, '05, and William S. Kennady, '05, are located at the Schenectady General Electric Works.

E. C. Davis, '06, is stationed at Millet, West Virginia, on the Norfolk and Western Railroad.

Some of the men who were at the Fordham game, in New York: Wm. L. Bevan, '05, umpire; Frederick Schabinger, '04, time-keeper; Asher J. McCabe, lineman; James S. Frazer, '04.

Some of the men who were at the M. A. C. game in Newark: John Bosley, '73; Edward R. Martin, '91; Joseph Brewster, '93; Harry L. Maier, '01; Samuel J. Ott, '01; W. R. Wharton, '03; George J. Lockwood, '03; Lucian Green, '03; C. Walter Collins, '05; Linfred L. Cooper, '05; Samuel M. Marshall, '05; Ralph W. Bowler, '05; Frank Evans, '05; George W. Hessler, '05; J. Leonard Soper, '05.

W. R. Wharton, '03, who is assistant professor in chemistry, at the Maryland Agricultural College, refereed the Thanksgiving day game.

Edward R. Martin, '91, who is engaged on the U. S. C. and G. survey of the United States and Canada boundary, was one of the star players and supporters of football when it was in its infancy at Delaware.

John Bosley, '73, has a son who played full-back on the M. A. C. team.

C. Walter Collins, '05, is with the



Atlee Burpee Seed Co's plant breeding department.

J. Leonard Soper, '05, is applying the theoretical knowledge he has obtained here, to extensive and practical Delaware farming.

### Entertained Review Staff.

On Friday evening, December 8, the members of the REVIEW staff, and several of their friends were pleasantly entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Dawson, in their home on Delaware avenue, Newark. The evening was quickly spent in playing ingenious games, into which every one entered with enthusiasm. The editors have returned to work with new life and all present will ever remember the evening of December 8, 1905.

Among those present were Misses Margaret Pratt, Agnes Medill, Margaret Blandy, Sara Cooch, Fredd, Mary McCaskey, Mary Dunlap, Alice Kerr, Maud Rose, Messrs. Edwin Harkness, Lawrence Cain, Charles Messick, Vaughan Derby, Karl Herrmann, Paul Keppel, Everett Warrington, Joseph Perkins.

### Open Letters.

*The Review invites letters from the members of the Faculty, Alumni and Student-body. Letters of not more than 500 words, bearing the writer's name, and free from offensive personalities will be published. The writer's views need not necessarily coincide with those of the Review.*

## ATHLETICS.

W. V. DERBY, '06, Editor.

### FOOTBALL.

On November 18, Delaware journeyed to Fordham, N. Y., and played football with the Fordham team.

In the first half and until the last of the second, no score was made by either side. However, in the last five minutes of play Fordham reached Delaware's 25 yard line and tried for a goal. The ball rose high enough but did not pass between the goal posts by a yard or more. The referee, who was also the Fordham coach, declared a goal—giving a score of 4 to 0 in favor of Fordham.

It is not pleasant to have to put up with a decision like this, either at home or away. We have had a taste of both this season. We are not chronic kickers, but we want what is our just due. As football is played in Delaware the object in kicking a goal is to place the ball so that it passes over the bar and between the posts. Evidently this referee has a special rule of his own, which he brings forth on convenient occasions.

### DELAWARE VS. MARYLAND.

On Thanksgiving day the football field was the scene of one of the best and most interesting and, with perhaps the exception of the Rutgers game, the hardest fought game that has been witnessed by the residents of Newark and the student body in late years. What made the game all the more interesting was the fact that M.

A. C. is our standing rival, in both field sports and debate.

Considering the bitter wind that blew the attendance was very good. Splendid music was furnished by the First Infantry Band of Wilmington, and the student body furnished the noise. And noise it was—noise that cheered Delaware on to do her best.

Maryland won the toss and chose the West goal with the wind at her back. Voss, for Delaware, kicked off to Maryland's five yard line and Maryland getting the ball was soon forced to kick. Delaware, on getting the ball, carried it to the three yard line when it was lost on downs. Securing the ball once more Delaware carried it over the line but had the misfortune to fumble and Maryland took possession, carrying it back to the twenty-five yard line, then kicking. Delaware, getting the ball, reached Maryland's twenty-five yard line when time was called. Score, 0 to 0.

In the second half, Maryland kicked off to Delaware's thirty-five yard line. Delaware rushed the ball to Maryland's twenty-five yard line where it attempted placement and failed. Maryland on getting the ball was held for downs, and Delaware, by hard line plunging, carried the ball steadily nearer the line. At this time a peculiar coincidence happened. Captain Cooper, Maryland's captain, was knocked out while Delaware had the ball on their five yard line. In the game last Thanksgiving, Captain Gill, of Maryland, was injured while trying to prevent Delaware

from crossing the same line, and was so badly hurt that he had to be sent to a hospital in Wilmington.

Baldwin made a touchdown and Voss kicked the goal.

The accident which happened to Captain Cooper seemed to take the life out of his team, and afterwards their playing was less spirited. Maryland kicked off to Delaware's twenty-five yard line, and Hauber, by a great end run, carried the ball over the line, but nothing was claimed and no touchdown allowed. Delaware made a quarterback kick to the two yard line. Hauber blocked Maryland's kick and Francis fell on the ball, scoring a touchdown. Voss kicked the goal. Delaware kicked to the twenty-five yard line, when time was called. Score, 12 to 0.

The team was in fine shape and every man did gilt-edge work. Splendid plays were made by Captain Pie, Hauber and Josephs.

The teams lined up as follows :

| Delaware                      | M. A. C.        |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Hauber . . . l. e. . . .      | Bowsley         |
| Voss . . . . l. t. . . .      | Iglehart        |
| Messick . . . . l. g.         | Bowlan, Hatton  |
| Pappaman . . . c. . . .       | Lampkin         |
| Brown . . . . r. g. . . .     | Ruffner         |
| Wingett . . . . r. t. . . .   | Church          |
| Josephs . . . . r. c. . . .   | Bird, Wilson    |
| Pie (capt.) . . . q. b. . . . | Firor, Mackall  |
| Taylor . . . . r. h. b. . . . | McNutt          |
| Baldwin . . . . l. h. b.      | Cooper (c) Galt |
| Francis . . . . f. b. . . .   | Firor           |

Touchdowns : Baldwin, Francis ; goals, Voss, 2 ; referee, Wharton, Delaware ; umpire, Demster, Amherst ; chief lineman, Lockwood, Delaware ; thirty minute halves.



1908 VS. 1909.

On the Wednesday following Thanksgiving the Sophomores won a decisive victor over the Freshmen by a score of 11 to 0.

In spite of the fact that most of their men were green players, the Freshman fought well and in the second half showed their pluck and determination in holding down their opponents to a score of 0 to 0. Both touchdowns were made in the first half by Baldwin. After eight minutes of play the first touchdown was scored—the Sophomores breaking through the great gaps in the Freshman line. Burns tried for a goal but missed. Miller kicked off to the Freshmen on the twenty-five yard line. The Freshmen were soon forced to kick. After this the Sophomores rushed through the opposing line and Baldwin made a second touchdown. Taylor kicked the goal. Five minutes later time was called, neither side scoring again. Score, 11 to 0.

In the first half the principal feature was a dog fight on the side and the game was suspended until the excitement was over. We regret that our dog was compelled to treat his visitors in such a rude way, but it appears that two dogs from town had "leavings" toward the Sophomores, while our noble beast upheld the Freshmen. It was just after the second touchdown had been made that the visitors (we withhold the name) began to twist our loyal friend about the game. This was resented and the consequence was a free

for all fight. The combatants were parted with difficulty, but not until the champion of the Freshmen had expressed his feelings in a practical way. This done, he delivered a few choice epithets, learned in the Dormitory, bearing upon the character of his visitors. These remarks it is deemed best not to print, for obvious reasons.

In the second half there was a marked improvement on the part of the Freshmen, who resorted to kicking several times. By this and by good team work they kept the Sophomores from scoring. Splendid plays were made by Josephs, Paperman, Robin, Adkins, Keppel and Ellison. The star player for the Sophomores was Baldwin.

The line-up was as follows :

| 1909                      | 1908        |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Rothrock . . . l. e. . .  | Newman      |
| Adkins. . . . l. t. . . . | Burns       |
| Bushing . . . l. g. . . . | Kimble      |
| Paperman . . . c. . .     | Tinney-Ward |
| Keppel . . . r. g. . .    | McCaskey    |
| Wingate . . . r. t. . .   | Brown       |
| Ellison . . . r. e. . .   | Draper      |
| Josephs . . . q. b. . .   | Miller      |
| Robin . . . l. h. b. . .  | Cann        |
| Raymond . . r. h. b. . .  | Taylor      |
| Jackson-Bulger f. . .     | Baldwin     |

Touchdowns: Baldwin, 2; goals: Taylor; referee, Prof. Short; time-keeper, Fulton, '06. Twenty and seventeen minute halves. Referee: Prof. C. A. Short, '97; umpire: Dr. Edgar Dawson; linemen, Neill, '06, Messick '07.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

W. E. HARKNESS, JR., '06, Editor.

Now that the football season is over, the Y. M. C. A. expects to find greater interest shown in its work. Many of the students, who engage in this game, find their time so nearly taken up by their regular studies and the daily training in the field, that they feel it is useless to undertake any unnecessary duties. Indeed, the man who plays football for two hours every afternoon counts himself fortunate if he can keep awake after supper long enough satisfactorily to prepare his class-room work for the following day.

But this drain upon his time and energy being removed, there will be more leisure for those students to engage in some study not specifically required of them. One can well afford now, to spend a few moments daily in systematic Bible study. The value of an acquaintance with this Book can certainly be appreciated to a certain extent by every thinking person among us; whether we consider the intellectual, moral, and spiritual culture to be derived, or whether we regard it simply as a subject of which no one claiming to be educated can afford to be entirely ignorant, as he moves among his fellow men. In the light of this it seems that no one of us ought to fail to devote at least a small portion of his college course to this subject.

We are not complaining. In fact, those who have taken up the Bible

study, are more and more pleased with the work as they go farther into it. But we would now like to have with us those football players who are interested in the Y. M. C. A., and who would have taken up the study, but for the lack of time. We would be glad to have any others join, who are interested, but who have delayed for one reason or another. If you are serious and would rather come for the first time as a visitor you are welcome.

To study the characters of the great leaders of the Hebrew race, in what traits they were strong and in what qualities they were lacking, to see how they influenced each other and the people about them; to discover how they acted under varying circumstances; to note the peculiar manner and customs of a people who lived many centuries ago; to learn how strong individuals shaped the course of a nation's history, is all this not interesting and worth while?

## EXCHANGE NOTES.

CHARLES P. MESSICK, '07, Editor.

"A Senior's Dream," in The Maryville College Monthly will, no doubt, be of interest to our present Senior Class. It is a very cleverly written bit of fiction and indicates that the writer sometimes forgets things material and wanders in the land of ideals.

"The Targum" is improving in its contents. In late issues it contains several essays and has even tried the experiment of inserting a few poems.



"The Punch Bowl" continues to lead the publications of its class found on our table.

"Silently, one by one, in the infinite notebooks of the teachers, blossom the neat little zeros, the forget-me-nots of the Seniors."—Oracle.

"The Temple of Nature," in "The Manitou Messenger," is among the best of the poems we have seen in College papers. The idea is good and the form and rhyme is carefully worked out.

"The Washington Collegian" has at last made its appearance. We notice several changes but nothing of unusual interest.

"When a man smites you on your right cheek, swing on him with your left."—Exchange.

"The Amulet" is a first-class paper and a credit to its school.

Harry A. Thompson has formulated the following definitions: Pessimism—Mental indigestion. A Genius—The first child. Fame—Post-mortem appreciation. Marriage—The end of a love story. The Unpardonable Sin—Being found out. Tainted money—A new variety of sour grapes. Ability—The explanation of your success. Luck—The explanation of the other fellow's. Worry—Interest paid on trouble before it falls due. Golf—A game that begins with a golf ball and ends with a high ball. Fusions—A word expressing the pleasure a girl experiences when she is kissed. Amateur farming—A form of extravagance practiced by men who, like Carnegie, do not wish

to die rich. A Skeptic—A man who can't believe in the miracle of Jonah and the whale, and yet thinks he can beat Wall Street.

"Universal Arbitration" is probably the best of many good productions in the November number of the "William and Mary Literary Magazine." This magazine is one of the best of our exchanges.

"Did your College cousin have his new photograph taken—full front?"

"No! half-back, she is on the football team."—Ex.

## AMONG THE COLLEGES.

L. E. CAIN, '07, Editor.

There is a lull now. The all-absorbing theme, football, has dwindled into a discussion about the reform of the game. Columbia has already denounced it and many smaller institutions are undertaking to do the same. Recently Columbian students held a mass meeting for the purpose of causing the authorities to change the decision. Rushes between classes are also being abolished by college authorities.

It is intended that the students at Minnesota shall be familiar with the College songs, so a custom has been established that one of the College songs will be sung each Friday morning in chapel.

The College Presidents who recently convened at Washington, reported that the students of Louisiana State University have the most highly developed honor system in the United States.

Amherst students have unanimously adopted the honor system.

Some Maryland Colleges have entered into a league "to shut out professionalism and 'padding' of athletic teams." The watchword is "purity." Could anything nobler have been adopted?

Compulsory morning prayers are being discouraged. This is notably true at Princeton.

Many of the literary societies in Colleges are not secret at present. In order to furthermore increase the interests of the students some have been

changed into open debating clubs.

The number enrolled in the Evening School of U. of P., this year, is an increase of more than two hundred per cent. over last year.

The recent strike at Pennsylvania State College was ended after concessions both on the part of faculty and of the students. The difficulty arose over the question of "cuts" which was handed over to an arbitrating committee.

Everything indicates that Yale is in a prosperous condition. At the beginning of the present year its treasury contained more money than ever before in the history of the institution.





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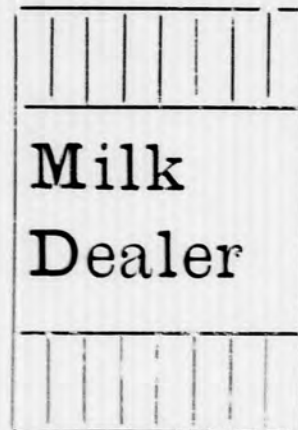
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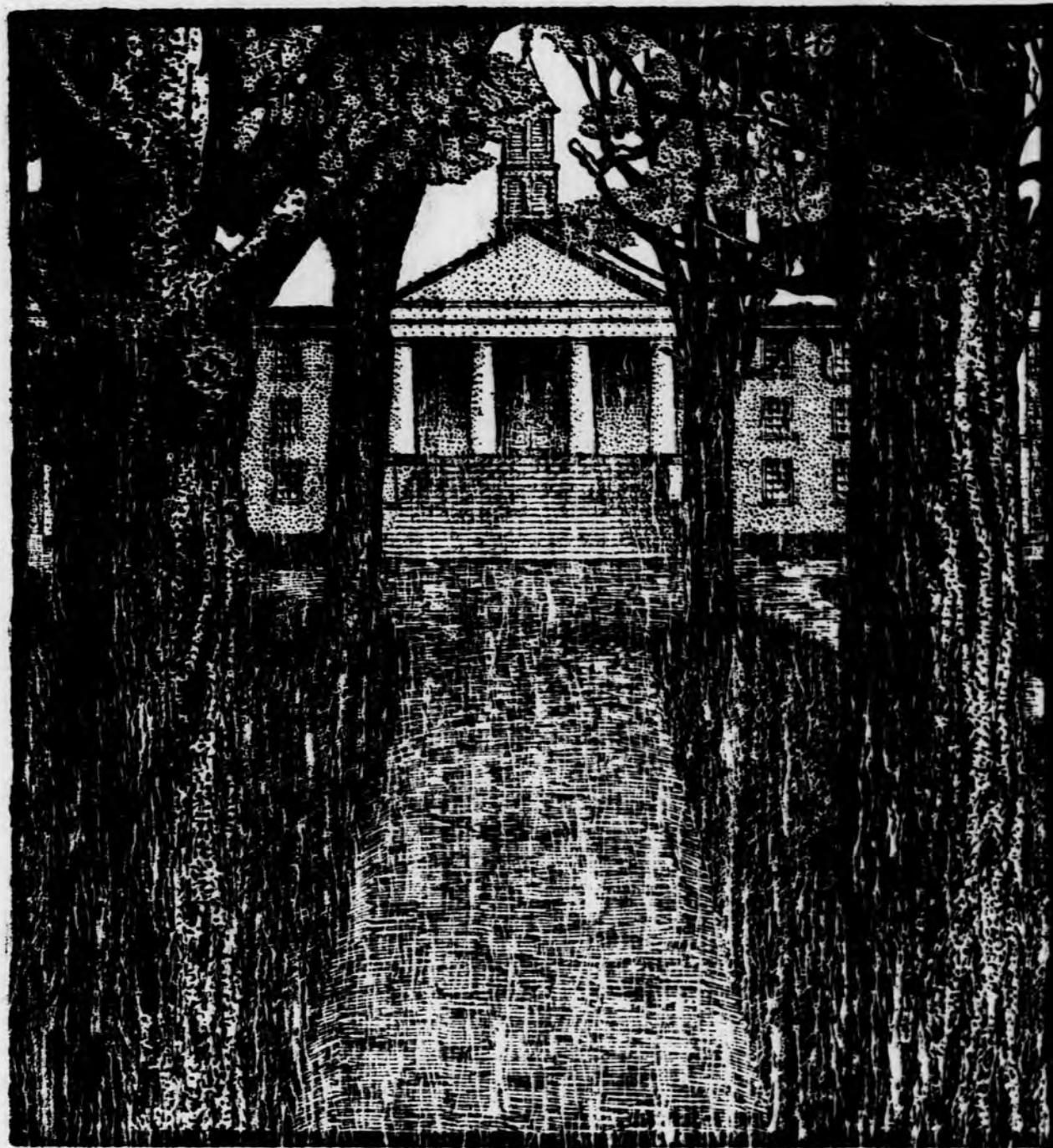
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