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Little Man

MAN'S ingenuity is so everlasting that we fail often to realize his dependency. Each hour brings a new revelation; the mystery of today becomes the history of to-morrow. And all the while we are deceiving ourselves and assuming blindly that we are doing a great thing, when we are only stumbling upon the secrets of nature.

A few days ago President Wilson touched an electric button in his office. Four minutes later according to official calculation, the last barrier in "the big ditch" which prevented the union of the waters of the two oceans, was blown away. Were it not an actual fact, no one would believe that these two happenings—four thousand miles apart—had the slightest relation. Even admitting it is true, the fact is almost too wonderful for the average mind to grasp.

Such demonstrations of the infinite though scarcely appreciated resources of the earth we are permitted to dwell upon, strike us so dumb with wonder and amazement, that we are left hopelessly unable even to think. But its

effect is only momentary; we rise and pursue the unknown, gloating over our "sovereignty" and forgetting that:

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the Show;
But helpless pieces of the
Game He plays
Upon this Checker-board of
Nights and Days;
Hither and thither moves, and
checks, and slays,
And one by one back in the
closet lays." —"Roman"

Emphasis on Efficiency

Here of late, efficiency rules as the dominant note with those who are in charge of the University. While all phases of the University are most sacredly and successfully cared for, special stress is put upon the work done.

Mr. Hunton Speaks at the Y. M. C. A.

ON Sunday afternoon, October twelfth, the Y. M. C. A. met in the usual place for its third regular gathering of the college year. At this meeting Mr. Hunton, Secretary of the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations, highly entertained the body with a very interesting address.

In the course of his remarks Mr. Hunton briefly reviewed the work of both the city and the student organizations for the past

year, and showed that much progress had been made and that the out-come was very encouraging. He said that one of the prominent features of the Y. M. C. A. was the Conference of the World's Student Confederation which convened last June at Lake Mohonk in the vicinity of the beautiful Catskill Mountains of New York. Of this conference Mr. Hunton gave such an explicit account that those who heard him could not help but feel that it was a decided success, and a great awakening in the whole Y. M. C. A. world.

The address was indeed a rare treat to all who were present.

His remarks served as an inspiration, and an incentive to awaken in the members of the Howard association a deeper concern about the work of the Y. M. C. A.

Students of Howard Send Expression of Sympathy to United States Commissioner of Education

At a recent mass meeting, the students of Howard gave expression of their sympathy caused by the death of the son of Hon. Philander Claxton. Also, the following letter was the outcome of the meeting:

Hon. Philander C. Claxton,
U. S. Commissioner of Education, City.

Dear Sir:

We have recently heard the sad news of the death of your beloved son, Robert Edward. In view of that fact, we are taking this means of expressing our sorrow at your loss.

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Signed:

Howard University Students.
R. McCants Andrews, Chairman of the Committee. Earl H. Crampton, W. Edward Ricks, and Geo. E. Brice.

Programme for 1913-1914 of the Faculty Club

October 14—The Early History of Negro Education, Professor C. G. Woodson. Discussion: Dean L. B. Moore.

November 11—Co-Education of the Sexes, Professor E. E. Just. Discussion: Miss M. Mac-Lear, Professor E. P. Davis.

December 9—The Relation between Business and Pedagogical Administration, Secretary G. W. Cook. Discussion: Professors R. E. Schuh and H. C. Scurlock.

January 13—The High School and the Academy as College Feeders, Professor G. M. Lightfoot. Discussion: Professors A. H. Brown and C. S. Syphax.

February 10—The Relation between the College and the Professional School, Reverend F. P. Woodbury. Discussion: Dr. W. C. McNeill and R. H. Terrell, Esq.

March 10—The Diminishing Influence of the Dormitory in College Life, Professor G. D. Houston. Discussion: Professor A. L. Locke, Mr. E. M. Pollard.

April 14—Should there be Distinctive Features in the College Education of the Colored Youth? Professor W. V. Tunnell, Discussion: Professor S. W. Turner, Mr. J. S. Thomas.

May 12—The Objective Functions of the College, Dean W. L. Ruediger. Discussion: Professors L. M. Gregory and E. L. Parks.

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The Y. W. C. A. Enjoy Echoes From The World's Student Federation Held At Lake Mohonk, N. Y.

A very interesting program was rendered by the Y. W. C. A. Sunday evening, Oct. 12, 1913. Miss Sarah N. Meriwether, the advisory member of the Howard Y. W. C. A., graphically outlined the Lake Mohonk Conference which she attended in behalf of the University. The most interesting feature, however, of Miss Meriwether's presentation was the fact that she supplemented her talk with appropriate illustrations in the form of booklets and views.

As a part of the program, also, music, which was sung at the Lake Mohonk Conference, was rendered by the members of the association; and Miss Eulalia Lane fittingly gave the synopsis of a paper, read before the Lake Mohonk Conference, by Miss Conde, senior student Secretary at the Training School for Secretaries in New York City. The entire program was enjoyed by all.

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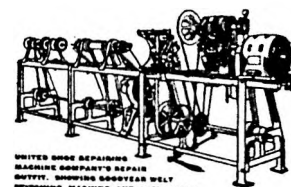
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College of Arts and Sciences Holds Thrilling Meeting

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Never before in the history of Howard, has there been called together in the name of the College of Arts and Sciences an assembly of students more numerous in attendance, more lively in spirit and more significant to the educational world than the one called together by Dean K. Miller, after Chapel on October the second. On looking out upon the mass of spry and brilliant collegians, the Dean said, "The group is inspiring." Seniors and Juniors, who had been in Howard from preparatory days, said to one another, "The greatest meeting of my Howard life;" and, indeed, all present, intuitively felt and understood the meaning of the meeting.

This was the first gathering of College for the year, Dean K. Miller used it as an informal meeting of welcome. On beginning, the Dean said, "I bring words of greeting, and extend to you all welcome." To this, shower of applause filled the Chapel after which, the Dean, seemingly stimulated, spoke in terse terms upon

the *esprit de corps* of Arts and Sciences and counselled the upper classes to be considerate with the lower classes. Here, enthusiasm reigned again; for the Sophomores exclaimed that they would be considerate with the Freshmen and the Freshmen retaliated that the Sophomores would only try.

After the Sophomore-Freshman philippic bout, Dean Miller spoke several minutes longer and concluded his short but memorable welcoming speech by saying, "Young men have the strength of giants, but use it like gentlemen. Young women, have the strength of the Amazons, but use it like ladies." Filled with the new spirit of Arts and Sciences and set on making this a preeminently successful school year, the bulk of sturdy, forward collegians withdrew gayly from chapel.

NOTES

Dr. George F. Johnson, M. D., class of 1911, who has been practicing for some time in Gordonsville, Va., and Dr. J. Andrew Jackson, class of 1913, have recently located in Charlottesville, Va., where they have combined offices, and are doing well.

Receives Message of Death of Mrs. S. M. Newman

Just as the JOURNAL is about to leave the press, we receive message from the President's Residence making known the death of Mrs. S. M. Newman, the wife of President Newman. The Printing Office, therefore, along with the other departments of the university, closes its doors from this Thursday afternoon until Monday morning which necessitates the late appearance of the JOURNAL of this week. Notwithstanding this last moment on the press, the JOURNAL sends out expression of regret and sympathy occasioned by the death of Mrs. Newman. A formal expression will appear in the next issue.

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EDITORIAL

¶ "Get your money's worth" by subscribing for the JOURNAL now; do not wait until election time at the end of school.

¶ THE JOURNAL wishes it clearly understood that the students of the University are cordially invited to contribute to its columns. Out of fourteen hundred students, there should come JOUR-

NAL material in abundance. At present, however, only a very few students take part in the work. Remember, students, that the JOURNAL with its splendid opportunity for training in journalism, welcomes your work.

¶ Unquestionably, the celebrations of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation held, throughout the country, are bringing about intrinsic good to the American Nation. Through these celebrations, invaluable facts concerning the Negro are inevitably revealed through which the Negro may know himself better and thus be enabled to make better progress and also may furnish convincing evidence to the people of the country at large that he is unmistakably a worthy and commendable party of the nation.

The Golden Jubilee Emancipation Celebration, just closed at Atlantic City, New Jersey, has certainly done its share of good to the Negro and to the nation. Above every thing else, this celebration brought about a revelation of the exceptional ability of the Negro in composing and interpreting music.

¶ The "Grid-iron" men are now in full practice; and each man of the squad is putting himself at stake for the white and blue. Rain or sunshine, the men faithfully show up for the early morning practice and go through the rigorous workout judiciously and gently, delt them by the Coach. These men are steeped in love for Howard; they gladly endure scars and injuries for their Alma Mater; and they mean to preserve the tradition and prestige of the Howard banner.

Now then, on thinking of the loyalty of these foot-ball players and of there unyielding efforts 'to bring home the bacon', the question inevitably comes up, are these men given every incentive and every means of support that can possibly be given them

by the student body. "Get your thinking caps on", students, and give immediate and serious consideration to this vital question; for Howard's victory depends largely upon the answer to this question.

The yell-masters are working effectively on the spirit and enthusiasm, and the students readily join in with the yell-masters. But this does not answer the question fully—certainly not according to Howard's method of doing things. What about the training table? At present, this is the only lacking element in our scheme for success. Nevertheless, arrangements for a training table for the foot-ball team will soon be undertaken. Every person, then, who wishes for the usual Howard victory, will certainly rally to the cause of the training table.

Prof. Gregory—"Mr. A. L. Taylor, does literature differ with regard to section?"

Taylor—"Yes sir, the literature of a mountainous region differs from that of the lowlands."

Prof. G.—"How? Is it rocky?"
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"To be or not to be—that is the question,
I like Hamlet, the young prince of Denmark,
Went into the garden with a ghost to talk.
And as I walked I met a dog; I raised my arm to strike it
When a voice cried "Hold". I answered *As You Like It*.
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And while there they related a sad *Winter's Tale*.
They stayed until the *Twelfth Night*—the storm had ceased its terrors—
They made *Much Ado About Nothing* which proved *A Comedy of Errors*.
Anthony and Cleopatra then drew near,
While a courier shouted out: *Julius Caesar*.
Next came *Othello* and his friend Iago too,
Which reminded me of the *Taming of the Shrew*.
The *Merry Wives of Windsor* were seen to appear
Escorted by *King John*, *King Henry* and *King Lear*.
Richard Third cried, "My soul's in arms. I'm eager for the fray; A horse a horse, my kingdom for a horse", I heard him say.
Next came Shylock the wily Jew, who demanded a pound of flesh for his treasure,
But *Macbeth* cried: "You shall have *Measure for Measure*."
I jumped from my bed with a start and a scream,
And found it was only a *Midsummer Night's Dream*."
—Anonymous

In The Limelight

Brannon pursues the Chase with Soph. Young in good running mood. Watch the horses.

Oh Shaw! why are you holding your cards under the table? Play in the open air and play trumps.

Matches are made in Heaven it is said. All those who are not in touch with that center are requested to see Miss W. C. B.

Yell Leader—"Come on boys, let's have a song. What shall it be?"

Freshmen (with clean heads and black and blue stripes)—"Sing Song."

One summer in Chicago seems to bring out the most backward young men. It's suprising the nerve Newman has with the girls now.

Query—"Why can Tavernier wear a fresh suit every morning?"

Ans.—His room-mate, Pollard, is ill in bed and naturally not using his.

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Progress On The Gridiron

Some of the most excellent team work is now being done by our men in their early morning try-outs. The colder the days become the more spirit do they manifest in their practice. The scrimmages have begun to seem like real games. The large number of candidates insure an opportunity for selecting the most formidable squad imaginable.

Most of the "Old Reliable" are back, and are getting into fine form. Among them we are glad to mention "Dr. Beamon" whose worth as a center is well known; Frank Forbes, the "Speed Fiend"; Captain McClelland, Carter, and Dowdell, noted linemen; and Slaughter and Gilmore, ends. Merchant, the star in last year's Shaw game, as left half-back will soon be upon the field and is expected to be in better form than ever. Brannon, Brown, Stratton, Grinnage, Lafayette, George, Brice, Young and Davis promise to be better than ever.

It has been our good fortune to find, among the new candidates, some bright prospects. It is indeed gratifying to see stalwart reinforcements come upon the gridiron. Our present favorites must finally leave us, and new "pets" must take their places. Avery, Smith, Gould,

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The enthusiasm which all these men show in their work means much toward our success this season. This spirit shall become augmented for evidently these lovers of Alma Mater and her honor seem to smell the embers of a smoking volcano which will emit its next eruption when Howard and Shaw contest for gridiron supremacy on our campus, November 8th.

Sophomores Give Freshmen Warning

A Few Mild Mentionings for the Pesky.
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1. O you dizzy Freshy-isses,
You shall feel like feminine Misses,
When the Sophomores whirl you round,
And wallow you upon the ground.
A groveling swine does not compare
With you, poor Dunces, if you dare
To rush the Sophomores just until,
They do run you off the hill.

2. Now you intruding, indiscreet, uncivilized, unconfomable horde of late September insignifcants, always humble yourselves before your everlasting superiors—the Sophomores.

Signed: Sophomores

Arts and Science Seniors Elect Officers

At a recent meeting, the Seniors of Arts and Sciences elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

C. M. D. Harlee, President; Winnie Cargyle, Vice President; N. A. Cabell, Secretary; W. S. Hanna, Assistant Secretary; W. H. Harper, Treasurer; L. D. Turner, Critic; M. E. Rivers, Journalist; H. A. Merchant, Chaplain; H. M. Hall, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Kappa Sigma Installs Officers

On Saturday evening, October eleventh, the Kappa Sigma Debating Club met in Library Hall for the installation of its officers. The installation exercises were conducted by Professor Gregory. Before installing the officers, Professor Gregory delivered a short address in which he emphasized the importance and the significance of a debating club. First, he showed by concrete examples that a debating club was of supreme importance to the college man in that it enabled him to acquire the power to express himself before audiences on the many and perplexing questions of every day life. Next, he reviewed the past history of Howard and remarked that through the efforts of Kappa Sigma, the university had made a brilliant record in the field of debating. Finally, he urged the officers and members to uphold the club, to put more enthusiasm into the work, to strive to make this the banner year in debating. After the address the following officers were installed: President, W. E. Ricks; Vice-President, H. H. Long; Secretary, L. S. Curtis; Assistant Secretary, F. C. Jenkins; Treasurer, Guy. S. Ruffin; Parliamentarian, H. W. Brown; Critic, L. D. Turner; Reporter, H. H. Donald. The Kappa Sigma hopes for a record-breaking year. It plans to have interesting programs every Saturday evening throughout the college year with the aim of getting more young men than ever before interested in debating. The club is desirous of more support from the student body, and it extends a most cordial invitation to all.

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"Odorless Onion Is Here."—What a boon to lovers who have a weakness for this biennial bulbous root.

"Uneasiness in Greece Over Turkey's Action." Sounds good; reminds one of the approaching Thanksgiving.

"Banker Drown by Fish."—And some mean person will be sure to claim that he absconded with the fish, I'll bet.

"A New Cancer Cure."—The route by which many an unfortunate individual has parted with his shining simoleons.

"54 Saved by Wireless."—If people can be saved by wireless why can not we send things by telephone where we have wires?

"Less Clothes For Women, If Modest, The Better, Says Jane Adams."—Really refuse to comment upon this. Do it yourself.

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"Japanese Do Not Kiss."—Reminds us of the adage which declares: "A camel can go eight days without a drink," and its complement: "But who wants to be a camel?" In this case, who wants to be a Jap?

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Bible Classes, Main Building, 9 a. m.
Y. M. C. A., Library Hall, 3 p. m.
Vespers, Rankin Chapel, 4:30 p. m.
Y. W. C. A., Miner Hall, 6 p. m.

TUESDAY

Prayer Meeting, Library Hall, 6:30 p. m.

FRIDAY

Pestalozzi-Froebel, Library Hall, 3 p. m.
Alpha Phi, Library Hall, 8:00 p. m.
Eureka Society, Main Building, 8:00 p. m.
Moot Court, Law School, 8:30 p. m.

SATURDAY

Kappa Sigma Debating Club, Library Hall, 8:15 p. m.
Blackstone Club, Law School, 8:30 p. m.
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Ruffin—"Why Prof. it has two little animals on it."

Same Prof. (in thunder tones)—"Allen, my son, in what part of Asia is Venice, Southern or Northern?"

Allen—"Ah-ah, I think it is in the Eastern part, Professor."

Prof. Schuh was endeavoring to explain the epidermis of a

flower. "Now," he said, "this little air chamber opens and closes according as the weather is moist or dry." Just here Fitzpatrick had a question, as usual.

"Prof.," he queried, "suppose on a cold day, when there is a good deal of heat"—These were Fitz' last mortal words. Someone accidentally dropped a piece of lead pipe on his cocoa just where the vegetation is somewhat devastated and the sentence was never finished.

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I want him to call me his bird,
His ducky, his own precious darling,
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I'm dying, I'm sighing,
Mere friendship I ever shall spurn.

I'm dying, I'm sighing,
To love and be loved in return.
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