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REFLECTIONS BEFORE THE NEW CON- GRESSIONAL LIBRARY BUILDING

A RHAPSODY

BY MAXWELL NICY HAYSON, H. U. '08

'Twas in a June twilight 'me sate
Upon a circling granite stone,
Which embraced with twinkling love
some vernal lawns
All dank with the night's amours.
Phosphor still was singing late
The rest had ceased their treble song.
In airy cribs did softly doze the motley
babes of early dawns
In pale and creamy bourns,
Kist by the visiting winds of blandest
tours.
Zephyrus with tender fingers tries her
morning's will
Upon the sylvan keys
Of stately oaks with gnarled knees.

Conditioned thus O! blessed Tempe
thee I beheld
By Morpheus' wand deftly felled—
From yonder spire the infant hour
knelled
A warning briefly belled—
For Phoebus slowly reined his chariot
steeds.
Thy massive but artistic whole, the
work of many creeds,
Did look unto a sleeping Grecian sage,
Who by the day did show the curious
age,
The works of men and Zeus' deeds.
Thou lendest a deep silence thus repos'd!
Tny bronze graven eyelids with veins
of happy deities closed.
For rest thou needs
Of those industrious parts, which slum-
ber feeds
With the necessity of its office and
luxurious dreams;
And dreams thou too hast power to en-
tertain,
For in the paneled pavilions of thy
magnificent brain,
All the gracious attitudes of myths and
men profusely team,
Indelible in the precious grain
By Imagery's glowing beam:
And plenteous room thou hast again
Of vacant splendor for this morning's
gleam!—
What time the beauteous city was slum-

bering in ideal repose
With such breathing calm that rose
Not one tranquil heave from 'midst a
dwellling's conc,
And while was heard the River barge's
matin moan—
Aurora's amber spoon did gently curve
the orient urn
Of mystic lambent flames that burn,
Cooled by Eurus' orange cheeks,
Are fetched from the land of ancient
Greeks
By elves of incensed violets among the
fern.
Pandora opes them thus to thy discern:—
On Thessaly's highest mount,
Zeus can his subjects count;
All the Gods are merrymaking
With their families all abloom;
Venus is a sweet love taking
All the kingdoms are a boon!
Zeus joy will all insure—
Down in yon green pastoral pasture
Pan's a-piping to the goats—
Oh! to them what rustic rapture!
Goats a-rambling, rambling,
Gamboling, gamboling,
With their glistening beards and coats.

The Celestial Toper with faultless oval
face in trim
And flat golden sandals now doth slight-
ly skim
The horizon's purple rim,
With full face red and apoplexed
From carousing in Italian art;
Canst count the tokens there indexed
To Bacchus, on that scarlet heart?
Yet acts he not the gentile part?
'Tis realistic--
Of temperament thyself artistic,
Thou wilt sympathize with him.
The citizen birds begin to chirp in thy
cool shades,
And comes an a-100-0-000 athwart the
elm glades—
'Tis the blithe Negro who goes forth to
earth his bread
And metes the open square with bou-
ant tread.
What delicate pangs of life his happi-
ness mars?
With him 'tis not an ace—it rains or
shives!
But couldst not thou around him curl
Thy magic argent bar,
Which would to him reflect the near
and far
Of all that is and was in this fair world;
Yea e'en if to allay his ecstasy
And make him brood upon the hemlock
tree,

As doth the Saxon moaning dove who
sits and pines
For all the diamond star.
A Fragment.

THE CHICAGO NEGRO

IN the Southern Workman for
October there appears an in-
teresting sociological study of the
Negro in Chicago by Richard R.
Wright, Jr.

The Negro population of Chicago
has increased during the last
twenty years more than twice as
fast as the total population and
faster far than the Negro popula-
tion of any other American city,
where the blacks number more
than ten thousand. The males out-
number the females and there is a
large proportion of young unmarried
persons. This colored population
has come largely from the Central
States both North and South, and
numbers at present about forty-six
thousand. The writer finds that
no large Northern city shows a
greater degree of Negro segrega-
tion than Chicago. Ninety per
cent live in distinctly Negro settle-
ments.

These people went to Chicago
attracted by the reports of higher
wages and the enjoyment of man-
hood rights which Southern preju-
dice had denied them. Usually
they find all that they seek and
more besides. Increased expense
resulting from a severer climate,
a higher standard of living and nar-
rower quarters make large inroads
into the better wages received.
Competition is keener and he must
struggle for his existence. He
gets a new view of life, and if he
survives will usually improve his
condition over that of his native
community.

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The Negro Development and Exposition Company

The efforts which are being put forward by the Negro Development and Exposition Company to make a separate exhibit of the Negro's achievement in America a success at the Jamestown Exposition are certainly worthy of the highest commendation. Altho a separate exhibit of the Negro's achievements was at first strongly opposed by some, yet thru the untiring efforts of Col. Giles B. Jackson of Richmond, Virginia, and his supporters this company was formed, and the United States Congress appropriated \$100,000 to aid the movement. So well has the work of this company been managed that its success is inevitable.

The speeches which were delivered by Senator Lanicus of Virginia

and Congressman Lamb, at a great mass meeting which was held in Richmond on the 27th of Sept., in the interest of the Negro's part in the exhibition, were, indeed, inspiring. They congratulated the race for their achievements and pledged their support.

It is encouraging to know that when the great Exposition gates are thrown open, the Negro will be ready to show all nations the progress which he has made within forty one years.

THE NEW WASHINGTON

It is proposed to increase the beauty of Washington on a large scale. Already considerable progress has been made along this line. With the withdrawal of the Pennsylvania Railroad from its present passenger station to the Union station, a great obstacle to the progress of the Commission will be removed. The Mall will be enlarged and planted with four rows of elms, and a fine system of public fountains and cascades is contemplated. The river front, now almost entirely unimproved, will be made to conform with the new and artistic city. Extensive memorial structures are planned to the great war heroes of the country, and future public buildings will be located in accord with esthetic ideals.

This is no new idea nor one peculiar to Washington. The leading nations of the world are spending enormous sums in beautifying their capital cities and even larger expenditures are planned for the future. Paris and London are lavishing hundreds of millions on extensive systems of parks and boulevards. They are awakening to noble and lofty ideals of civic beauty.

ESPERANTO

The language of hope is Esperanto and it is growing in popularity. This artificial language is an invention for international use, not designed to take the place of any

existing tongue, but intended to facilitate communication between foreigners. In Europe it is gaining ground, but its progress in this country is slow. Some of the universities of Europe are advocating it especially for religious use. The United Christian Endeavor Society finds that Esperanto would be a valuable auxiliary to it in the communications which must be made between the many branches of that organization in different countries. Esperanto is coined largely from the roots of Romance tongues. Its orthography, pronunciation and grammar are very easy. A few hours' study will suffice to give the learner a working knowledge of the whole machinery of the language. The difficulties of gender and inflection are largely obviated. It is the acme of simplicity.

It is hard to prophesy concerning the future progress of Esperanto. The need of a general language is keenly felt by all commercial peoples. And the man who seeks to become familiar with all the widely spoken modern tongues will find no time for anything else. But each nation is proud of its own tongue and the Germans, the English and the French are looking forward to the day when their own speech will be the world language.

It would not be expected that Esperanto would take a strong hold in this country. The American population speaks the English language generally and is so far removed by natural barriers from the confusion of foreign tongues that the need of an international language is little felt. Europe, on the contrary, needs just such a go between. In any event we shall note with interest the progress of the movement.

The slope of the campus that extends down to the reservoir will be cleared and improved. A band stand will be constructed from which concerts will be given on moonlight evenings in spring and autumn.

To Autumn

When the Leaves Begin to Fall

BY HARRY R. LOGAN, Class '10

Ah! the saddest of the seasons,
Yes, the saddest of the year,
When forest, field and garden
Stand parched and brown and sear.
The flowers have lost their sweetness,
Soon the birds will cease to call,
'Tis the death-knell of fair summer
When the leaves begin to fall.

Artist, couldst thou paint this picture
With a changing green to gold?
Nay, I fear your pen would falter,
And, like summer, would grow old.
Thy artistic soul would linger
On the scenes now barren—all—
Just to seize the last dear moments
Ere the leaves began to fall.

What your missive, dear old Autumn?
Is it an advancing foe?
More than that, my pensive scholar,
More than you will ever know
Till the frosts of age shall spray you,
In your locks gray hairs install,
Not until at life's dim sunset,
When the leaves begin to fall.

The University Choral Society will render for the second time Mendelssohn's "Elijah" during the Christmas holidays. The "Messiah" will be sung next year. It is the purpose of the University administration to build up here a conservatory of music which shall rank in efficiency with the other departments of the University.

SOCIALISM

All who have read Edward Bellamy's "Looking Backward" have received an ideal and roseate view of socialism. This doctrine does not find a very congenial welcome in this country. In fact, to brand a new or a radical movement with the suspicion of socialism is to put a decided stumbling block in its path, so averse is the American mind to paternalism, or anything that savors of it. Each city, each community, each State jealously guards its autonomy. The earnest desire to restrict the powers of the central government to a minimum

is unfriendly to the socialistic dogma.

On the other hand the wretched condition of a large portion of the working classes of Europe provides rich soil for the growth of socialistic tendencies. The Social-Democratic party of many of the countries on the other side of the water is so large as to demand most serious attention and concern. The socialists figure largely in the elections and have prominent representatives in the legislative bodies and even in some of the cabinets. Their mass meetings are formidable affairs, both in size and in the results accomplished.

Many of the large French cities are governed by socialistic councils. The French Chamber has a substantial socialist membership. But the French socialists are constantly at variance with each other and their power consequently is not proportionate to their numerical strength. The party in Belgium has over five hundred thousand votes. In Sweden and Holland socialism is not very strong, but the German and Italian organizations are vigorous and flourishing. One-third of the German vote was recently given to the Social-Democrats, and large concessions must be made to them there.

The intelligent socialists of Europe do not ask immediate government control of large enterprises. They are too crafty for that and are willing to work slowly. They confine themselves to demands principally for universal suffrage and old age pensions. They would pay these pensions by graduated taxes on the incomes of the rich.

Socialism is an evil thing for general progress and enlightenment. It would make all alike to share in the gains earned by men of varying degrees of ability and industry. Small incentive is offered to enterprise when the worker and the drone, the man of large and the man of small ambition, may all partake alike from a common store. Better keep the present system, unfair to it as it is in some re-

spects, than adopt a strange one certain to bring disaster and decay in its train.

A lady was calling on some friends one summer afternoon. The talk buzzed along briskly, fans waved and the daughter of the house kept twitching uncomfortably, frowning and making little smothered exclamations of annoyance. Finally with a sigh she rose and left room.

"Your daughter," said the visitor, "seems to be suffering from the heat."

"No," said the hostess, "She is just home from college and is suffering from the family grammar."

—Ladies' Home Journal.

A large number of men are now seen daily on the football gridiron. There seems to be quite a great influx of good new material. Careful coaching together with the results that come from a first class training table will tell a tale of victory for Howard, no doubt, this season.

Mrs. Crabb (on a visit with her husband to view a villa for sale): "Oh, how beautiful—how beautiful! The magnificent view makes me perfectly speechless!"

Mr. Crabb: "Then I'll buy the villa!"—Tit Bits.

A Cabinet Forecast

Seeing that one never knows what the unexpected may do its usual stunt and happen when least looked for, it might be just as well to seize Time by his well-worn bangs and appoint the President Hearst cabinet.

Here goes:

For Sec. of State, Arthur Brisbane.

For Sec. of Treasury, Alan Dale.

For Sec. of War, Ella Wheeler Wilcox

For Sec. of the Navy, Beatrice Fairfax.

For Sec. of Agriculture, Dorothy Dix.

For Sec. of Commerce and Labor, D. Dinkelspiel.

For Attorney-General, F. Opper.

For Postmaster-General, Ambrose Bierce.—S. W. Gililan, in "Judge."

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THE CHICAGO NEGRO

(Continued from first page.)

The greatest number is engaged in domestic and personal service. Trade and transportation engross the next largest number, and no line of industry is entirely closed to them. The professional man has not a monopoly of his race, nor is his field limited to his race except in the case of ministers. They own four million dollars' worth of property, mostly residential. The progress of some has been phenomenal.

There is, concludes the author, large room for enterprising men to start in business in the Negro districts of Chicago. The field is ripe. Capital, industry and skill are needed to exploit it.

The Owner—"Why are you arresting us?"

The Country Constable—"Wal, I need the money. I'm trying ter git enough from fees to buy an automobile myself!"—Life.

There was once a man who was robbed of one hundred dollars. A long time afterward he received this letter:

"Dear Sir: Five years ago I robbed you of one hundred dollars. I am filled with remorse that I could have done such a thing. I send you a dollar and a half to ease my conscience."

—*New York Tribune.*

Mary had a little waist,
Where waists were meant to grow.
But everywhere the fashions went
Her waist was sure to go.

—*New York Sun.*



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SOCIETIES

THE ALPHA PHI

The Alpha Phi Literary Society met on last Friday evening. The main business of the meeting was the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President	-	J. A. McMurray
Vice President	-	C. S. Cowan
Secretary	-	Miss Lucy D. Slowe
Treasurer	-	G. M. Randolph
Chaplain	-	A. D. Tate
Journalist and Critic	-	Miss Folsie Bibb

Sergeant-at-Arms H. T. Scott
The annual debate will be held earlier this year than usual.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

The Christian Endeavor Society elected the following officers for the present term:

President	-	Miss Lucy D. Slowe
Vice President	-	A. D. Tate
Secretary	-	Miss Ruth Gilbert
Treasurer	-	Wm. Milburn
Delegate	-	J. A. Wright
Librarian	-	J. R. Sabo

THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The election of officers in the Athletic Association resulted as follows:

President	-	C. E. Smith
Vice President	-	D. W. Bowles
Secretary	-	A. Fleming
Treasurer	-	Wm. DeCatur
Costodian	-	Geo. Lyle

PESTALLOZZI FROEBEL SOCIETY

The Pestalozzi Froebel Literary Society of the Teachers' College held its first regular meeting Friday, Oct. 5, at 3 p. m. A very interesting program was rendered and judging by the interest manifested by all the students we expect the society to become a valuable means of literary development. The following officers were elected:

President	-	J. Oliver Morrison
Vice Pres.	-	Miss Gertrude Stewart
Secretary	-	Miss Ione Hutchins
Treasurer	-	Miss Bertha Mundy
Critic and Journalist	-	M. S. Walton

THE Y. M. C. A.

The meeting of the Y. M. C. A. was well attended and enthusiastic. President Thirkield address the

association. Tonight this society will give a reception in Miner Hall dining room to all new students of the University.

ËUREKA

At the meeting of the Eureka Society on Friday evening, the following officers were elected:

President	-	J. A. Wright
Vice President	-	T. B. Neely
Secretary	-	W. H. York
Treasurer	-	J. R. Sabo
Journalist and Critic	-	C. B. Washington
Chaplain	-	Mr. Evans
Sergeant-at-arms	-	H. T. Scott

THEOLOGICAL LITERARY

This society held its first meeting of the school year on Oct 3. Dean Clark called the meeting to order, and Mr. Thomas Gates conducted the devotional exercises. Mr. A. F. Wallace was elected president, and Mr. J. S. Ellis secretary, pro tem. The business of the meeting, the election of officers, was then proceeded with. The following were elected:

President	-	J. R. Walters
Vice-Pres.	-	J. S. Ellis
Secretary	-	W. V. Mitchell
Chaplain	-	A. Gray
Serg-at-Arms	-	James Fry
Librarian	-	J. H. Saunders
Treasurer	-	C. S. Harper
Critic	-	Dean Clark

PERSONALS

Mr. Alexander Riviera, Prep. '05, has returned to Howard for a course in the College of Dental Surgery.

Ex-Capt. W. H. Washington arrived last week and will be seen almost daily on the football field.

Manager Graves arrived recently and has taken hold of his work vigorously.

The absence of ex Capt. Shorter from the football field is a serious loss to the team.

Miss Hetta Thompson, Prep. '05, is again in Washington, and is a Howard Medical student.

Messrs. VanLoo and Douse, recently of King Hall, will be or-

dered next Thursday at 11 a. m. at the Episcopal Pro-cathedral.

Mr. John E. Small, for the past two years a member of the Theological Department, will not return to Howard. "Johnnie" goes to Princeton.

ALUMNI NOTES

Mr. W. B. Staley, A. B. '06, will go abroad next spring for an extended study of modern languages.

Rev. I. H. Carpenter, Theo. '06, is at present located in Salem, Va., where he has a charge in connection with the M. E. Church. Mr. Carpenter reports great success in his work.

Rev. J. W. Manoney, B. D., '05, is now in charge of the First Presbyterian Church at Entawville, S. C. Mr. Manoney writes from his home in Sumter, S. C., and gives a very encouraging report of his work in his new charge.

Mr. J. F. Jordan, Col. '06, is visiting in Washington for a few days.

Rev. E. H. Oxley, '06, who has charge of a parish in St. Mary's Co., Md., visited his alma mater this week.

Mr. C. P. Ford, H. U. '03, Boston Univ. Law School '06, past thru Washington this week enroute to Guthrie, Oklahoma, where he will engage in the practise of law.

Misses Mae A. Hall and Lela C. Ewing, Teachers' College '06, have qualified as teachers in the public schools of Dallas, Texas, and will soon receive their appointments.

MASS MEETING

A large mass meeting of the entire student body will be held in the Andrew Rankin Chapel on Saturday evening, 13th inst., at 8:30 o'clock, for the purpose of practising yells for the approaching football games. Good speeches will be made. All male students of the University are expected to attend this enthusiastic meeting.

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