The College Rush.

I have read with much pleasure the Sopho-Freshman rushes at Harvard, Yale and Prince Ion, and I thought that they were grand. I have seen many of a similar nature upon the historical ellipse at Howard and I thought them grand. I have seen the football warriors of the White and Blue on many occasion rush the pigskin over the coveted line amid tremendous applause, and I thought it was grand. But the rush made upon the Dean’s office the morning of January 5th, 1904, by the combined strength of Seniors, Juniors, Sophs, and Freshies, was the grandest of them all.

Seniors were there because to them it meant a seat upon the rostrum on Baccalaureate Sunday, later a funeral march to the sweet strains of music and the ushering into that great brotherhood that awaits them with outstretched arms in the world. Juniors were there because it meant to them all that it means to be a Senior,—realization of the dreams of Sophomore-Freshman days, cinch subjects, lots of spare hours and general good time. Sophs were there because to them it meant a seat in the “Council of Upper Classmen,” the enjoyment of the many privileges that have long haunted the dreams of the founders of that great organization and perhaps, too, the chance of electing Junior Themes, English History, and Logic. Freshies were there because to them it meant no more bringing water and shining wood, no more shining Junior’s boots and arranging Senior’s baths and toilets.

The momentum of this heterogeneous mass was foiled by a hundred and twenty pounds of human flesh in the person of Dean Fairfield acting in a contrary direction. He, in the face of the eager mob, declared in sharp, forcible language that no records could be had until matters of far greater moment could be settled. At this time, some beat a hasty retreat, but others held their ground for hours.

About this time, the word was passed along to the effect, that records in United States Constitution could be had at Prof. George William Cook’s office. The Seniors made a dash for that place. It was no joke. The records were there, but very much to one Senior’s surprise he had nearly succeeded in writing out the coveted “Sen.” This, however, he considered an insult to his dignity. In going over his paper with the professor, either by Trig, Analytics, Calculus or by some principle yet unknown in mathematical science, he succeeded in proving to him beyond all shadows of doubt, that he was entitled to ten per cent. more. The professor gave it to him and he left the office wearing a *veni, vidi, vici* smile upon his face.

W. H. W.

Alumni Association.

To the Editor of the Journal:

The word has passed that Howard University is to have an Alumni Association in the near future. The news is very refreshing. The consumption is very eagerly awaited. Such an association should have been organized when the first class was graduated and sent forth to battle for existence and success. At this time, it must be noted, with keen regret and everlasting shame, by every Alumnus of Howard, that second-rate colleges and third-rate high schools of the country have and maintain associations of this character.

Some particular and active interest should be manifested as to the whereabouts and doings of those who have been sent forth from the school as graduates. Worcester Polytechnic, Yale and other colleges of the country send annually to their graduates for information as to what they are doing. The information obtained is made a part of the next year’s catalogue. This is one of the ways by which hundreds of other students are invited to cast their scholastic fortunes with these several colleges. Should not Howard be as alert to her interests as Yale and Harvard? The answer to this is easy.

At present there is such little interest taken by one department of the University in the affairs of the other, that the medical men scarcely know that there is a legal department connected with the school, and *vice versa.* These things should not be. Let us have a closer union and a better understanding. By all means let us have an Alumni Association.

William I. Lee, L.L. M.

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OUR PROFESSORS.

Among the many things of which Howard men are proud may be mentioned the various faculties of the entire institution. If all the great student bodies of this country take pride in cheering the names of their prominent instructors (all of whom may be more or less distinguished in their lines), we also have reason to feel "so very nice, don't you know."

Now, our professors are distinguished too; some of them have national reputations; others are known far and wide for the unqualified respect and good feeling which they inspire in all the students who know them; and then there are others famous for the stupendous interest which they take in their families—an interest which we believe to be inspired by the Holy Spirit, even though it does lead them to forget many things dear to the students, in cluding the University Journal. We love our professors—we conjure by them, and it is the belief of the Journal that if any professor has failed to subscribe for our paper (which will be a great help to us), it is solely because for the time being his family cares won't permit. He will assist us later.

We are reminded by some "that many of the professors are unmarried; so that no family cares deter them."

Well, we answer that by suggesting that the unmarried professors are for the time being dreaming of family cares yet to be, so that the case is about the same.

The Journal means to defend any Howard interest that may be attacked. If the majority of our professors never subscribe to any movement undertaken by the student body, we mean to contend always that such failure is contingent and only temporary, and that of all institutions justly proud of their professors, Howard is not the last.

THE CONSTITUTION.

In another column of the Journal may be read the Constitution of The Journal Publishing Company. There we desire the attention of the students to be focused upon the preamble, which states the objects for which the company has been organized, viz: to secure harmonious action; to promote journalism and to afford an opportunity for those doing most effective work for the Journal to become members of the staff, etc. It is of this opportunity we wish to speak. The Journal invites literary contributions from any and all of the students of Howard University, regardless of classes or departments, for the Journal is neither a departmental or class organ, but an institution of the entire University.

In order that the students may appreciate the necessity of contributing, it has been decided that the members of next year's staff shall be chosen from among those who have made such contributions. So we expect all will interest themselves in the success of the Journal; for your candidacy to membership of the next staff will be considered in proportion to the amount and value of your literary contributions.

ATTEND THE POOR.

The daily papers are full of the accounts of immense suffering among the poor, and the scarcity of provisions to care for these unfortunate. Is it not incumbent upon us, who are blessed with the privilege of seeking and obtaining knowledge here amid conditions of comfort, to give some thought, perform some act toward eradicating the ghastly horrors depicted in the stories emanating from the office of the Associated Charities? Shall we continue to let it be said that we as a people do not attend to our poor, while many of us live in style and luxury? Certainly not.

However, now is the accepted time. The existing conditions demand speedy action. Spend not your time vainly formulating plans, but enter into the work with zeal and whatever resources you may possess. If you cannot give millions, you can go into the huts and hovels, with a cheerful face and wholesome teachings plus whatever financial assistance you are capable of rendering. Then you will have accomplished all that God and a critical public demands.
Alumni Notes.

Prof. Elmer C. Campbell, A. B. '95, is still teaching in the Sumter High School, St. Louis, Mo. He writes: "I look back with pleasure upon my many battles on the gridiron and my college days in general."

Miss Hattie A. Hubbard, A. B., '03, has recently been appointed teacher in the Sumter High School, St. Louis, Mo. The Journal congratulates her on her success.

Miss Hattie E. Brooks, A. B., '03, is teaching in the Armstrong Manual Training School, Washington, D. C.

Mr. D. O. W. Holmes, has charge of physics and chemistry at the Baltimore High and Manual Training School, Baltimore, Md. He was among the first to pay his yearly subscription for the Journal.

Mr. Thomas Turner, A. B., '01, and Miss Florence Bungee, A. B., '03, are also teaching in the Baltimore High and Manual Training School.

Mr. Maurice Green, A. B., '01, is pursuing a course in theology at Yale, New Haven, Conn.

Mr. J. M. Carter, A. B., is teaching in Peidmont Institute, Charleston, Va.

Mr. Ben. S. Jackson, A. B., '01, is principal of a Public School in Parkersburg, W. Va. He has not given up foot ball yet.

Mr. Chas. P. Ford, A. B., '03, is pursuing a course of Law in the Boston University, Boston, Mass. We wish him much success.

Mr. J. T. Bluford, B. S., '00, former editor of the Journal has charge of Chemistry at the A. & M. College, Greensborough, N. C.


Mr. G. Ellis, L. L. B., '98, is now a member of the West Virginia State Legislature.

Dr. Robert Jones, M. D., '02, is practicing medicine in Charleston, W. Va.

Dr. Robert Chisnell, M. D., '02, has a large practice in Baltimore, Md.

Dr. Geo. Wayman Coffee, M. D., '03, has recently put out his shingle in Denver, Col. The Journal wishes him much success.

Dr. Chas. H. Stokes, M. D., '01, has a tremendous practice in Gloucester Pt., Va.

Mr. J. Thomas Newsome, L. L. B., '99, is practising law at Newport News, Va.

Mr. J. Talhawn Fox, A. B., '01, and Mr. Paul Mosley, Prep., '00, are St. Louis business men.

Mr. W. Edward Baugh, A. B., '02, is pursuing a course in Agriculture at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

Mr. W. L. Smith, B. S., '02, is teaching in the Department of Commerce, Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Dr. Geo. R. Ferguson, M. D., '03, who is now practicing in Charlottesville, Va., paid us a short visit Thanksgiving.

Dr. C. Hayl Crampton, M. D., '03, has an increasing practice in Pittsburg, Pa. The doctor is seriously considering matrimony, so The Journal understands. We hope him well.

W. H. W.

Law Department Notes.

After a hot contest lasting through three long and exciting meetings, the class of '04 elected the following officers: President, R. Barclay Baccus, A. B.; Vice-President, Neval H. Thomas, A. B.; Secretary, C. Horner Hemans; Treasurer, Edwin Hill; Assistant Secretary, Albertus Brown; Sergeant-at-Arms, Jos. E. Jones.

The following ticket, the choice of the "Machine," was recently elected by the class of '05: Zeph P. Moore, President; Geo. Heriot DeReef, Vice-President; Arthur E. Kennedy, Secretary; Thomas Becket, Assistant Secretary; Roger W. Watts, Treasurer; Benj. L. Gaskins, Sergeant-at-Arms; Harry P. Thomas, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.

The meetings of the Moot Court and of the Blackstone Club are usually well attended. The real practical benefits derived from these organizations cannot be overestimated. In the former the Seniors and Middlers are taken through all the steps incident to bringing suit. In the latter the Middlers and Juniors discuss points of law prepared from some actual case in which the points were raised and decided.

Court Record.

Moot Court—Justice Richardson.

Lackland vs. Tresspasser; on trial; plaintiff's attorneys, Pelham and Becket; defendant's attorneys, Barcus and Gaskin.


Grampin vs. Chapmaup; continued; plaintiff's attorneys, Calloway and Collins; defendant's attorneys, Thomas and Moore.

The Class of 1906 met Saturday, December 9th, and elected the following class officers:

President, V. Benj. Jefferson, (Ark.)
Vice President, W. A. Soders, (Ark.)
Secretary, James M. Williams, (Mo.)
Corresponding Secretary, Frank Williams, (Va.)
Treasurer, P. J. Price, (Mass.)
Chaplain A. S. Pincket, (Va.)

The election of Sergeant-at-Arms was postponed until the next meeting.

Since it is evident that organization is conducive to success, we the Senior College Class of Howard University, as editorial staff publishing company, having as our objects:—To secure harmonious action, promote journalism, afford an opportunity to those doing most effective work for The Journal to become members of the staff, and as a guarantee of the permanence of a college newspaper to preserve a bare majority for college seniors, do ordain and establish this The Constitution of the Journal Publishing company.

ARTICLE I.

This organization shall be known as the Journal Publishing Company.

ARTICLE II.

Sec. 1.—The officers of this organization shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Business Manager, Assistant Business Manager, and an Auditing Committee consisting of three members, Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editors.

Sec. 2.—These officers shall be elected annually by the majority vote of the company.

ARTICLE III.

Sec. 1.—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings and sign all orders upon the Treasury when ordered by the company.

Sec. 2.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a correct record of all the proceedings. To have records at all meetings for information, reference or inspection whenever it is necessary. He shall draw all orders upon the Treasury when ordered by the Company, and shall report the financial condition of the organization whenever ordered by the same.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys of the organization and to keep an accurate account thereof. He shall pay out no money except by order of the organization, signed by the President and Secretary. He shall report to the Secretary all moneys received.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Business Manager to organize a staff for the purpose of securing subscriptions and advertisements; to arrange for the distribution of papers and to arrange for the collection and payment of all moneys.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Assistant Business Manager to assume the duties of the Business Manager in the absence of the same and to assist the Business Manager at all times.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the Auditing Committee to devise ways and means of obtaining money for the organization if necessary and pay strict attention to the accounts of the same. They shall have power at any time to examine the books of the Secretary and Treasurer of the organization and report the results of their investigation at the next meeting. They may perform such other duties as may be assigned them.

Sec. 7. It shall be the duty of the Editor-in-Chief to receive all matter for publication, and with the assistance of his associates determine what articles are fit for publication; to submit all corrected articles to the staff for final approval, if time permits, and to bring in a form suggesting the distribution of articles in the paper. He shall receive from and return to the printing office all proofs, and shall perform such other duties as the organization may assign him.

Sec. 8. The Associate Editor shall assume the duties of the Editor-in-Chief in the absence of the same and shall assist the Editor-in-Chief at all times.

ARTICLE IV.

Sec. 1. All questions shall be settled by the usual parliamentary rules.

Sec. 2. This Constitution is subject to change by the majority vote of the organization.

Signed: STEPHEN N. YOUNG, JOSEPH F. CARROLL, CHAS. A. MANN.

Commercial Department Notes.

Prof. George Wm. Cook, Dean of the Commercial Department spent the greater part of the recent vacation visiting child-caring institutions in New York state. While there he also visited the George Junior Republic and Home for Feeble Minded Women.

The class of 1905 of the Commercial Department recently organized a Literary Society, of which Mr. G. W. Hines was chosen president. The society will hold a meeting each week at which a suitable program will be presented.

Prof. George Wm. Cook, has been appointed by President Gordon to organize a fire drill in the various buildings of the institution. At the first practice in the Chapel the students were marched out in seventy seconds but Prof. Cook thinks that by practice this can be reduced to fifty seconds.

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