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Y. M. C. A. Activities

At the present time more than ever before, Howard University is concerning herself about the spiritual welfare of the young men



PROFESSOR J. G. LOGAN
General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

that enter her portals. This year she has done much for them in appointing Prof. Logan as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. This is the field of work for which Prof. Logan is peculiarly fitted, and we can rightly say that in regard to this position Howard has the right man in the right place.

The Y. M. C. A., under the wise guidance of Secretary Logan, is

destined to do a great work for Howard and its vicinity. These are some of the helpful things that the Y. M. C. A. has already done. This year, three days before registration day, the Committee on New Students had men placed at the railway station and all around the University to direct new students to the dormitory and office and to give them general information. Thus a man entering Howard this year was met and given a student's guide, and assisted in registering.

The Association did not drop its good work here; for on the evening of Thursday, October 8, the Social Committee, of which Mr. T. B. D. Dyett is chairman, tendered the new students a reception. The committee spared neither pains nor money in order to entertain the students as never before. All who attended the reception must confess that there has never been anything of its kind here to equal it in regard to the thoroughness with which it provided physical, mental and gastronomical enjoyment.

At the reception a novel method of introduction was employed—every man wore his name upon the lapel of his coat. President Newman, Dean Moore and Treasurer Parks, all of whom were already well known to the students, both old and new, entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and wore their names also upon a Y. M. C. A. tag attached to their coat lapels.

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is efficiency. And along with the strict discipline and rigid training are offered certain incentives to study. We earnestly hope that these prizes for scholarship will serve as inducements to every student of the department, to the poorest as well as the most brilliant, encouraging all to work for 100 per cent instead of the passing grade of 10 per cent. In this manner the standard of scholarship throughout the University will be raised and the tone of the whole institution made better.

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Further, the literary work offers a vast field of interest in a social, mental and educational way. Reference is here made to literary work which is quite apart from any work of the class room itself, and yet is highly supplementary to our education.

Included also in this sphere of outside interest is a musical activity. What person is so sordid or so practical or so inclined to everything opposed to "harmonious strains" that he will not lend his attention, or even be held against his inclination, by the soothing influence of music. It may well be said that this influence reaches out to everything in the university, grasps it, and claims attention when it commands.

So, we have a revolving wheel of interesting events; balanced because of their variety and number; beneficial because of their variety and

wholesomeness, and because they are of the higher and better things of life. It is an obvious truth, therefore, that our education, which lies in great part in that which we receive in the class room, is augmented by these things which have been mentioned. They are at least supplementary and taken together form a most necessary portion of a properly ordered school life.

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greeting and conversation the young men retired to the gymnasium to engage in the gladiatorial sports. Here several bouts were witnessed. These were followed by short addresses from Dean Moore, Treasurer Parks, Dean Cook, and Secretary Logan. Several of the upper classmen also gave helpful talks to the students.

At the end of this specially arranged program, those present were asked into the Y. M. C. A. dining room. This was the place where the committee did its most appreciative work: for there were rivers of cocoa and pyramids of sandwiches. It is needless to state that the saucy challenge offered by these good things was eagerly accepted, the result being that everybody was soon too full for utterance, and so went home and to bed. He did this. however, with most kindly thoughts of Secretary Logan and hearty good wishes for the prosperity and successful future of the Y. M. C. A.