Song Service at Howard

The Song Service of Sunday, February 20, was one of the best ever given, inspiring and uplifting. In Dr. Newman’s introduction he placed the spiritual importance of such a musical service on the same plane with that of a sermon—“a presentation of God’s word to a receptive heart,” if given with sincere religious feeling.

One who had never heard the choir sing, on looking over a pretty heavy classical program which would have taxed the ability of the best of our city choirs, might have questioned Dr. Newman’s statement of entire confidence in the ability of the choir to render such a program, but one found he knew whereof he affirmed.

Miss Childers has a wonderful gift in taking young, untrained singers and developing them into a well trained choir. As a result of her work, they learn to sing in perfect unison as one voice, always correct in time, always true to the key, and dominated by the personality of their leader, so that they are willing to work not only weeks but months on oratorios, cantatas, and anthems, and in this lies the secret of their success.

One cannot say too much in praise of Miss Childers’ enthusiastic and untiring accomplishment of results with her choir. It is a liberal education to any student to belong to such a choir as also for all the student body to become familiar with the greatest and finest musical works of all time in hearing them so well rendered.

The first number, “O Lord in Thee have I trusted”, was a solo and chorus by Handel is full of broad and fine harmonies. It is new to the choir but showed serious study. The solo by Mr. Jackson was well done.

Mendelssohn’s Hymn of Praise is full of rich melody and the chorus chosen “I waited for the Lord” is always uplifting. The duet was effectively sung by Misses Hughes and Rhodes. “By the waters of Babylon” by S. Coleridge-Taylor is a classic, weird and sad and beautiful; one of the most effective anthems that the choir sings.

A solo by Mietzke sung by Miss Goodwin was well adapted to her low sympathetic voice.

Another new anthem to the choir by Geo. C. Martin was very interesting, “Whoso dwelleth under the defense of the Most High.” “Gallia” by Gounod we always enjoy and it was sung with spirit and good execution, especially the last solo by Miss Evans and the final chorus.

Reinecke’s Evening Hymn, the most beautiful of all, was a fit closing to a fine program. It is a treasure never to be lost to the choir who has mastered it. Miss Rhodes sustained her solo part splendidly through the whole chorus.

All of the soloists show good promise for the future. A great deal of praise is due to Miss Lewis, the accompanist. She is always fine and sympathetic in all her work.

Mrs. Frank P. Woodbury.

The J. E. Moorland Foundation

The January number of The Howard University Record contains an account of the “J. E. Moorland Foundation.” This Foundation, consisting of a valuable collection of books, pamphlets, statuary, etc., on the “Negro and Slavery,” was presented to the University Library by Dr. Jesse E. Moorland, D. D., a trustee and alumnus of Howard University. Dr. Moorland spent many years and considerable means in getting together this collection. The books were collected from all parts of the country and are very representative of the literature on the subject. The Moorland Collection contains 800 volumes and a larger number of pamphlets. Some of the subjects covered are Customs, Folk Lore, Churches, Music, Education, Institutions, Economic Conditions, Fiction, Poetry, Essays, Biography, Anti-Slavery History, Race Questions, History of the Race and Origin of Races.

In addition to the Moorland Collection, the Library has also the Tappan Collection of 300 volumes and numerous pamphlets, the Lavalette Gift of 60 volumes, and the Cromwell Collection of 70 bound volumes of newspapers.

President Newman and Dean Miller have been considering the idea of making this collection a nucleus for a special department of the Library with the ultimate intention of establishing a Chair in the University.

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The Two-Year Contract

Why is it that we have decided to make the same blunder that we made two years ago by signing a contract with Hampton to play one football game at Howard next Thanksgiving Day and the other game at Hampton on the following Thanksgiving? Is it true that we must be always conceding something that is detrimental to our interest from one of the fundamental principles of the game, namely, financial success? The sooner we adopt a reasonable, logical and definite policy, as the great American colleges do, the better off athletics will be in general. We dare say that Howard is and always probably will be one of the greatest drawing-cards in athletics. For this reason, we should adopt a definite, reasonable and just policy.

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—Rube.

The German School Girl

Miss Simpson, an instructor of German in M Street High School, gave an interesting talk last Thursday evening to the young women of Miner Hall. Miss Simpson was educated in one of the Girls’ Seminaries in Germany and her description of the life of a German school girl was accurate and entertaining.

Between the ages of five and nine the German girl is educated in a mixed school. At ten she is sent to a girls’ school and from then till the completion of her education at seventeen or eighteen she has very little association with boys. The girls rise about six o’clock, and at six-thirty they have their first breakfast of coffee and rolls. After breakfast a short time is occupied with devotions. School opens at seven o’clock in summer and eight o’clock in winter. Between classes there is an interval of five minutes and at ten-thirty a longer interval for the second breakfast of rye bread and butter and perhaps cheese. The girls eat very little candy or sweets. Their clothes are very neat, substantial, and plain.

The German girl finishes her education at seventeen or eighteen. Since the universities have admitted girls, many continue their studies beyond this age. At the completion of their education, girls begin their association with young men. Only after the announcement of their engagement, however, are girls ever seen on the street with men.

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Why I am in College

The question, "Why am I in college?" comes to every college man sometime during his college life. There is but one proper answer to this question,—namely, to receive culture for service. Let us note what is meant by culture. Culture means enlightenment, good taste, good manners, good morals. Now, almost every one of these qualities must be learned either by association or through study. A few fortunate young men have from childhood the advantage of ideal association that is conducive to culture, but by far the larger percentage have not this advantage. Therefore, they must acquire culture through study.

In college the young man has two means for obtaining culture. One may be called the direct way; the other, the indirect. The direct means, or rather the one uppermost in his mind, is to become acquainted with the works and lives of great men, to absorb their thoughts and ideas, and to get inspiration from them. The indirect means is by coming into personal contact with men of culture. Very often a college student is benefitted more by the personality of his teacher than by the subject which he is taught.

Culture except for service, however, is like a well without a bucket. The general criticism against the college man is that he rests upon his own oars as soon as he leaves college, when in fact his journey has just begun. The college man is frequently responsible for his indifference; for he often prefers to remain idle than to work for small wage. Very often he becomes so attached to some particular town or city that he would rather remain unemployed than to go to another town or city for employment. Such is not the ambition of a college man who acquires culture for service.

The thorough college-bred man, before leaving the college door, begins to seek employment and continues until he finds it. He knows that the day is come when he is paid for what he can do and not for where he has been. Hence, he is willing to begin with a small salary until he can convince the world of his worth. The aim of every college-bred man, therefore, should be to find work in a community and to render as much and more service for that community than the wages which he receives. In a word, his only motive for being in college should be to receive culture for service.

—Q. A. Connolly.
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EDITORIAL

¶ The Moorland Foundation consisting of books and pamphlets on the Negro offers an excellent opportunity to those who wish to contribute something to the University. Perhaps there are many who have some valuable books and pamphlets dealing with the Negro question; these will be of service in the collection. Here is a chance to build up a notable collection of books and pamphlets which will be of invaluable service to those interested in the study of Negro history and conditions. Our readers doubtless have books, some works of fiction, poems, or other works that would help in completing the collection. Such books or pamphlets would be most gratefully received by the University. Duplicates as well can be used for exchange in getting other volumes. If the friends of the University will assist in the building up of this collection the University Library will attract many specialist in research work and the service of the University will be enlarged.

Send your material suitable for this collection to the Howard University Library and help to increase its efficiency for research work.

HOWARD ON THE WAR PATH
¶ With the preliminary debating contest over and the team chosen Howard is starting again on the war path. She is after the scalp of Fisk and Atlanta and, judging by the showing in the contest Monday night, she will be able this year as well as in former years to place herself at the head of the debating league.

Of the four men selected for the first team, two are members of The Journal Staff; of the four selected for the second team, two are also from The Journal Staff. Every member of the teams has the “fighting spirit,” everyone will contend to the very last and will acknowledge himself beaten only after complete exhaustion. From the calibre of the men we predict an honest, clean, instructive debate and complete victory for Howard.

News in Brief

Rev. Steppeau, pastor of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, delivered a brief but inspiring address before the Y. P. B. of the W. C. T. U., Sunday, February 20th. At this meeting Mr. C. W. Frisby was appointed chairman of the Oratorical Contest which is to be held soon. Two new members were added.

Professor Montgomery Gregory addressed the students and faculty of the Baltimore High School, Friday morning, February 11th. His subject was: “The Man Without a Race.”

About the Campus

¶ It is noticeable that some of the Seniors are anxious to begin wearing their caps and gowns before the first term’s marks are recorded.

Martin is urging persons to attend the meet at Convention Hall on the plea that this is the last time they will have the opportunity to see him run. Maybe they won’t care to after seeing Drew.

Franklin has developed into a “nature poet;” here is his latest:
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- "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (English).
- "Miscellaneous Writings."
- "The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany."
- "Unity of God."
- "Retrospection and Introspection."
- "Pulpit and Press."
- "Rudimental Divine Science."
- "Message to The Mother Church."

Miss Hunt's Lecture

The lecture last Thursday afternoon by Miss Helen Hunt was greatly enjoyed by all present. Miss Hunt's subject was "Points about the Planning of Meals." The ability to plan a good meal in order to secure the most palatable and nutritive food with the least expenditure of money is a problem which should be carefully studied by every housewife.

We may have meals in which one of the three food constituents fats, carbohydrates and protein predominates. Any of these imposes a great strain upon the body and care should be taken that their proportion be adjusted to the needs of the individual. There can be no balanced ration, says Miss Hunt, for man, only for individual. Farmers and stock-breeders advocate balanced rations for their cattle because they have a particular object in view, either to fatten them for market, to put them in fine condition for market, or to increase productivity. Man's diet, however, must be suited to his activities which vary with the individual. A school teacher would scarcely need the same food that the ditch digger demands.

Miss Hunt concluded her lecture with a few suggestions about the setting of the table. Clean linen is essential; with silverware and china neatly arranged and a small centerpiece, the table has sufficient decoration.

To Educate an African Girl

For the last three years the students and members of the faculty have been sending a contribution to Africa for the support of an African girl named after Howard. A committee has been appointed to collect this money and it is earnestly hoped that everyone connected with the University will contribute to this worthy cause.

The committee appointed is as follows: Miss Lottie Gatewood, Messrs. George Bryce, P. J. Carter, K. L. Moore, and W. H. Foster, Chairman.

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"For what?" answered I apparently calm.

"To rid me of this ignoble pest, Jim Banford," whispered he earnestly. "Save my daughter, she doesn't love him, she doesn't want him."

"I hardly know what to do in such a case," answered I, "yet I am willing to help you solve any part of it if I can."

"Then take her from his presence to-night," said he, "I will call him in here, while you tell Ethel my plans. Then you and she return here and announce your departure. He will believe that it was a previous engagement."

"Yes," said I, "that sounds well, and will be well if it ends well. But I suppose Banford loves her."

"Yes," replied he, "but the wretch is not worthy of my daughter and he cannot have her."

"Very well," said I, "I shall assist you."

I will confess that I was no coward, but I did fear engaging in such a piece of business. His wrath might be kindled against me and I might suffer some bodily harm. It was not myself I thought of, but Elia, my Manyana, I thought of, the disgrace and the appearance of dishonor in pledging myself to an innocent girl; and then being harmed in the company of another and about another. It seemed to me too much to tackle. It was wrong in me so to deceive one; but the question which rose in my mind was, was she worthy it?

However, I fell into his plans as usual, and returned to the room where Ethel and Jim sat sulkily. A few minutes elapsed and the Judge called Banford, who left us immediately. I took the opportunity, as was agreed, to inform her of her father's plans, to which she willingly assented. So leaving me for a few minutes she prepared to make her departure. As I escorted her to the library door, a load seemed to press me; but I did not falter. We announced our departure, to which Banford said nothing, with a merry "good-night."

Once out upon the thoroughfare we decided upon the theater, where I was hoping that no one would recognize me as the friend of Elia Lorton. Nevertheless, I skipped along, as we had done in our childhood, with Ethel swinging to my arm, but a heavier burden to my heart,—an unpardonable wrong for which I must suffer at some time if not soon. However, after spending the evening quite pleasantly, we returned and seeing her once more within her threshold, I retraced my steps home, ever suspicious of every word of which is an attitude common to all men especially when they have wronged another. I entered my room and soon retired as Phil had already done; but my eyes could not close in sleep.

At morning I arose with a careworn face from a sleepless night, and went after breakfasting to my office. I had anticipated a letter or a phone call from Elia as usual but none came. However, I called her up and chatted with her freely; but business forced me to ring her off hastily with the word that I would see her that evening. After transacting and planning some trifles, with my phone ringing unceasingly, I talked with Ethel Wellington in reference to our night of pleasure, anticipating that she would have something to tell me as to Jim's attitude after we had left; but she intimated nothing, except that her father wanted to talk with me and that...
I hung up the receiver immediately with the screams still ringing in my ear, jumped to my feet, and seizing my hat and some papers, darted out upon the sidewalk where I called a taxi. I ordered the chauffeur to make all possible speed to the number which I had given him; but his speed seemed slower than ever. Within myself I almost pushed the conveyance along in my anxiety. We gained ground and sped along. (To be Continued)

Y. W. C. A. Notes

The members and friends of the Y. W. C. A. were favored Sunday evening with an interesting talk on “Companionship” by Mrs. Gabriel Pelham. Mrs. Pelham developed her talk under three phases: “Companionship with One’s Conscience,” “Companionship with One’s Friends” and “Companionship with God.” In companionship with one’s conscience, Mrs. Pelham strongly emphasized the fact that one’s action should be governed by that little inward monitor called conscience. Actions contrary to its ruling will bring remorse. In speaking of companionship with one’s friends, Mrs. Pelham showed how the life of each individual is dependent upon that of some one else, and she urged upon us young women in a dormitory to render, whenever possible, assistance to those about us. “Imagine yourself walking along with some friend and neither of you speaking for some moments; how embarrassing the situation becomes,” said the speaker, “just so embarrassing is it to God, your constant companion, when you refuse to speak to Him; and yet if you but say one word to Him, He is ready to hear you.”

In closing the speaker said: “Now, my dear girls, I wish you to consider all that I have said and endeavor by your actions to be ‘worthy companions.’”

—Carrie Jane Sutton, Reporter.

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Secretary Logan Addresses
Maynard Literary Society

On Wednesday, February 3rd, the newly elected officers of the Maynard Literary Society of the School of Theology were installed by Professor J. G. Logan, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Secretary Logan chose "Duty" as the subject for his theme. He pointed out how important it is, in our complex civilization, for each individual to do his duty. Mutual interdependence is manifested everywhere and each individual is dependent upon society. What each does affects all. No matter how insignificant one's task may seem; if one performs well one's part of God's plan, one does a noble work. Secretary Logan applied this principle to the Maynard Literary Society and urged all members to attend regularly and perform their respective duties.

Secretary Logan addressed a few pointed remarks to the body on the importance of such a society. It should strive, he said, to cultivate in its members a taste for the best literature. "Do not become disheartened because you cannot write like Shakespeare. Study the best literature and always produce the best that you can. The good results will eventually be seen in added power and influence in writing and speaking."

The speaker then closed his remarks with some helpful suggestions as to the best methods for making the weekly meeting interesting and instructive.

After thanking Secretary Logan on behalf of the society for his instructive address, President Pace briefly outlined his plans for his administration, and asked that the members of the School of Theology continue to give this administration the support which it gave his former administration. He called attention to the fact that the annual Maynard Prize debate will be held in Rankin Memorial Chapel March 3rd, at 8 p.m.

The officers chosen for this semester are as follows:
J. W. Pace, President; V. E. Perkins, Vice-President; D. E. Henry, Secretary; A. H. Pace, Assistant Secretary; C. E. Best, Chaplain; A. F. Elmes, Critic; A. S. Helm, Parliamentarian; K. L. Moore, Journalist; F. J. Bailey, Sergeant-at-Arms.

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It is desirable to increase this collection for the benefit of the undergraduate and the specialist in research work, and the friends of the University are requested to contribute whatever material they may have on hand suitable for the Foundation. Programs of celebrations, church manuals, historical addresses, sermons upon race questions will add to the collection.