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To

BY MAXWELL NICY HAYSON

To her, for whom the dumb din clay
Resolves itself in accents clear and
ringing
I sing: O dear young heart, long be
your day
To fashion forth in health the firm fair
forms of truth!
One who all but scorns the earth as she
goes o'er it winging
And beats with equal zest the zones of
joy and ruth.

Forbear to ponder why these lines,
Since we have just but lately had four
meetings,
Lest you should think me rash to praise
besides.
The gift's to each—do not we see our
souls are like
Bound, but different ways, and mix
athwart their fires in greetings?
This is mine, and yours, to make the
cool-earth warm with might.

No slave of silence can I be,
That your brown breezy eyes a world
hath spoken
With glint of art and love which speak-
eth free
Of words: howbeit your sweet brave lips
have let fall
A balanced charm of wit and feeling, a
true token
That Pallas and Apollo claim your
precious all.

Thrice blessed is he who shall link
His hand in yours at Hymen's saffron
altar;
Faithfully burn the nuptial torch as ye
twain drink
Like to an honored end fulfilled of pur-
est love,
Yet' I bethink me lest unloved like
you he shall falter
Wen in prosy steps by you with light
above.

A Lament

BY MAXWELL NICY HAYSON

With misty weight of leaden veil
With face bereft of Phoebe's beam.

The chill gray morn is wailing, wailing,
To well it wists my hap, it seems.
With soiled snow robes rent and fading,
The wan earth lies a loveless length
The wintry birds go heavy gauding
And plaintive pipe in muffled strength.

Upon the pond sides damp and dreary,
The willows droop with lachrymose arms.
No life for me can be but dreary
In northern pines or tropic palms.

The trains whose sound erstwhile gave
pleasure,
Now rudeely sweep the woodland rail;
My heart of pain has its full measure
Dealt to me by this matin mail.

O what a little thing's a letter!
Ink and parchment, pen so cheap,
Yet by you used they can unfasten
Priceless bliss or heart aches deep.

Heart aches of the sorest, said I?
If you but wet your letter gave.
I'm a creeping tendril led by
Hope to wind your lattice stave:

Wind in loving friendship only
But the stave seems now withdrawn
And I hang dejected, lonely,
Waiting 'gainst a cheerless dawn.

Is it that of vines of friendship
You have all that you can bear?
If 'tis this O let me then slip
Pendant still down from your care.

\[\text{Song Service}\]

At its second song service in
Andrew Rankin Chapel on Sunday
afternoon, 21st inst., the choir will
render the following program:

ORDER OF SERVICE
Prelude
Processional: Hymn 416  Catler
Hymn  Creed
Prayer
"He Shall Feed His Flocks" Harker
"Awake Thou That Sleepest" Stainer
Scripture Reading
"The Omnipotence" Schubert-Liszt
"Inflammatus Est" Rossini
"Sanctus" (From St. Cecilia Mass) Gounod
Recessional: Hymn 38 Hopkins
Silver offering at the door.

The Elijah

Don't forget the date of the Elijah,
by Felix Mendelssohn, to be ren-
dered by the Howard University
Choral Society May 8, at First Con-
gregational Church, corner of 10th
and G streets, N. W. Every ef-
fort has been made to strengthen
the chorus in its weaker parts and
this will be a treat long to be re-
membered.
The soloists for this occasion are:
Mr. Harry T. Burleigh of New York,
Baritone.
Mr. J. W. Loguen of New York,
Tenor.
Miss Nettie Murray, Soprano.
Miss Mayme Chase, Soprano.
Miss Marie James, Alto.
Mr. Burleigh is too well and fa-
vorably known in Washington to
need comment. He is at his best
in the role of Elijah.
Mr. Loguen, while he is unknown
to Washington audiences, is one of
New York's most promising tenors.
Miss Murray is well and favorably
known in Washington and her sing-
ing of the touching part of the
bereft widow last year, which
elicited the praise of the critics is
remembered by all who heard her.
Miss Chase has a remarkably full
and melodious voice well suited to
her part.
Miss James is one of Washing-
ton's most pleasing altos.

The tennis courts have been put
in order and are full of players each
evening. Great interest is being
manifested in in the game. Anyone
who wishes may join the club. The
courts this year are the best ever
made at Howard.

Fair weather seems about to re-
turn once more; this will bring
out the track athletes in full force.
The track is in fine condition.
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Young Men's Christian Association

The progress of the students' Y. M. C. A. at Howard has been slower than many would like. It has scarcely more than held its own during the last two or three years. Many spasmodic attempts at large improvements have been made with each succeeding administration, but have been short lived and almost invariably the ardor has cooled down when the new officers were confronted by the real perplexities of the situation. And it is not strange. For men of wider experience and riper years have concluded that in some cases, and may be this is an instance, holding one's own is a task of giant proportions. But most of the obstacles and hindrances of previous administrations seem to be absent and unless new ones appear, which is not likely, the association ought to enter upon an era of marked prosperity. And even the some drawbacks should appear, we believe that the men of the organization are made of stern enough stuff to forge ahead in spite of them.

The Y. M. C. A. movement is great and world-wide. Membership in a body of that caliber is an honor and distinction and it only remains for the students of the University to join in assisting the Howard association in measuring up fully to the spirit of the body. The work of the Y. M. C. A. should commend itself for favorable consideration. In recent years it has been of assistance to new students upon their arrival here. It has helped many to install themselves comfortably in their new surroundings. It has even now plans for the erection of a gymnasium building. In its religious work it has been zealous. The prospects, then, should be bright. The new officers are filled with enthusiasm and a desire to carry the work to success. Every male member of the University should contribute his goodwill, time and money to the advancement of this enterprise.

Rev. Teunis S. Hamlin

News arrived yesterday morning of the sudden death by apoplexy of Rev. Dr. Teunis S. Hamlin, president of the Board of Trustees of Howard University. Dr. Hamlin died in New York, where he went on Tuesday to attend the session of the Peace Conference there.

Since the resignation of the late President Rankin, Dr. Hamlin has been president of the Board of Trustees, and during the interim between Dr. Rankin's departure and the appointment of his successor, he served as acting president of the University. During the last twenty years he has been pastor of the Church of the Covenant, at Connecticut ave., Eighteenth and N streets, and was one of the most widely known ministers in the city. His loss will be greatly felt, for he was connected with many movements of general and public interest. He was a speaker of great eloquence and had marked administrative ability. He was sixty years old.

The World of Education

Cornell is raising a fund to restore Fall Creek Gorge, near the campus, to its former beauty. In previous years this was said to be one of the glories of the Ithaca scenery.

For the past two years, and also next year, the Wisconsin legislature is furnishing $600,000 to the University of Wisconsin for the erection of new buildings for the maintenance of the scholastic work of the institution. These yearly $200,000 appropriations for buildings purposes will doubtless be continued.

Agnes E. Stuart, of the Hyde Park High School, Chicago, deprecates the decline in the number of students in secondary schools studying Greek. The greatest contributing cause to this decline is the removal of Greek by the colleges from their list of entrance requirements and their granting the A. B. degree to persons who have never studied Greek. The spirit of this age is practical and utilitarian; and as Herbert Spencer says "Parents dress their children's minds, as they do their bodies, in the prevailing fashion". In time to come there is little doubt that the pendulum will swing again in the opposite direction and Greek will once more take its old place in the curricula of schools and colleges.

Senator Hoar in an article which he once wrote on the value of classical study said:

Of one thing I feel confident, that is, that the men I have known in public life in the pulpit, and at the bar have been men who have been good Greek and
Latin scholars, who have kept at their love and study of these thru life; especially have those who have been lovers of Greek shown great superiority in effective public speaking.

C. F. Adams at Harvard twenty years ago spoke against Greek but at Columbia last spring expressed a change of opinion in these words. I would away with arm's length lecture room education; I would somehow get back to contact of mind with mind. I would make Latin or Greek a compulsory study till the day of graduation—the one royal road to all that is finest in letters and art.

Columbia University estimates that its budget for 1907-1908 will call for the expenditure of $2,023, 413.

The matter of the relative authority of the faculties and corporation of Yale has recently been readjusted by the university corporation. As in all universities of rank, the faculties are largely self-governing, themselves appointing new teachers and settling nearly all points of internal interest and jurisdiction. Such action of course, does not become law until ratified by the corporation. But the corporation scarcely ever fails to sustain the faculties. The president of the university has a veto power on faculty action and the corporation, in turn, a veto power on his action. When a measure supported by a majority of the faculty of any department is vetoed by the president, the teachers may appeal to the corporation against his dissent.

Last week at Pittsburg, the re-dedication of the magnificent new building of the Carnegie Institute devoted to literature, art, music and the sciences was made the occasion of the gathering of a distinguished company of European and American guests. A brilliant feature was the parade of the guests, many of them clad in academic dress. The great structure is larger than the United States Capitol, was erected at a cost of $6,000,000, and is the gift of the multi-millionare and philanthropist, Andrew Carnegie. Twenty-five thousand electric lights are used in lighting it and the heating and ventilating plant is one of the most elaborate and scientific in the world. In the library, the new bookstacks are eleven stories high and have a capacity of 800,000 books, while the entire capacity is 1,500,000. More rare and costly marbles have been used in its construction than in any other building in the United States, or in the world for that matter. Columns in the foyer costing $4,000 each, 500 doors, 2,100 windows, gold-plated fixtures and vaulted ceilings, rare and rich tapestries, old mosaics, inlay tracery of Als green, Numidian red and red Verona, give one an idea of the grandeur of this palace of learning. Exquisite work of art in sculpture, painting, carpets, chandeliers, and furniture, adorn the building.

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"Left in Charge"

The drama, "Left in Charge," was presented last Friday evening by the Young Ladies' Culture Club of Miner Hall in a very creditable manner. A large audience was present and thoroughly enjoyed the evening's entertainment. The amateur actors were assisted by the Lyric Orchestra, which discoursed popular music in its own brilliant and pleasing style. Miss Marjorie Loftus, a friend, in charge of the twin babies. Soon after, Mr. Poyner, from whom Miss Loftus has been estranged, calls, followed shortly after by Mrs. Kellar and her hepseeped husband. On their arrival Mr. Poyner hides behind the screen. When they leave, Mr. Vau-Winkel drops in and Miss Loftus has to go in hiding behind the friendly screen. On Mr. Vau-Winkel's departure, reconciliation occurs between Miss Loftus and Mr. Poyner. Mr. and Mrs. Blount return delighted to find the lovers engaged; but Mrs. Blount is not pleased when she notes how her twins have been neglected.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Mr. Adolphus Blount, a fond parent
Miss G. Boltz
Mr. George Poyner, an innocent offender
Miss G. Koontz
Mr. Francis Kellar, a sly man
Miss M. Brown
Mr. Dick Vau-Winkel, who loved a joke
Miss M. Harden
Mrs. Adolphus Blount, the other fond parent
Miss M. Woolfolk
Mrs. Frances Kellar, an advisory board of one member
Miss R. Gilbert
Miss Marjorie Loftus, the injured one
Miss B. Mundy
Norah, a maid
Miss E. Hedgmon

PROGRAM

Overture
Lyric Orchestra
College Songs, Medley
Culture Club
Instrumental trio,
Misses Williams, Bugg and Perry
Quarrel Scene between Brutus and Cassius, Misses Brooks and Thomas
Trombone solo.
Mr. G. Jones, of the Tenth Cavalry
Drama, "Left in Charge"
Music
Lyric Orchestra

Each participant in the drama deserves praise for the excellent and painstaking work evident. As Miss Marjorie Loftus. Miss Mundy was very natural, playing with ease and expression. Miss Boltz performed the masculine part admirably, and Miss Woolfolk was pleasing in her role of Mrs. Blount. Misses Gilbert and Hedgmon created much merriment by the faithful representation of the characters they acted.

Miss Stewart, president of the Culture Club, presided.

The sermon at vespers last Sunday was delivered by Rev. Dr. Frank P. Woodbury, of the School of Theology. The discourse was an impressive one.

"It is hard" said the sentimentual landlady, at the dinner table, "to think that this poor little lamb should be destroyed in its youth just to cater to our appetites."

"Yes," replied the smart boarder, struggling with his portion, "it is tough."
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Mr. Fleming Replies

Mr. Editor:

With great reluctance I attempt a reply to Mr. Shorter’s unreasonable attack on me, or what I would have called, had he not mentioned my name, his foolish jab at the Athletic Council. I think he directed his remarks in my direction only because I chanced to make a statement in The Journal of March 29th that gave him the opening which he had been seeking.

I am not attempting to defend the action of the Athletic Council, for if such were necessary, every remaining member would be far abler than I to perform that task; but I will attempt to defend myself and discuss with him some of his bold statements.

Search to find in our history a baseball season that has paid, has been in vain. Every football season starts out handicapped with debts incurred by the baseball team of the preceding spring. I find baseball has not been self-supporting in past years. Why not try for one season to make baseball pay for itself? At any rate there is nothing to lose by the experiment.

We lose neither honor nor respect by failing to play the Charleston Clippers this year. The “debt” of a return game is not a promissory note that falls due this year. If we play them next year or the year following we pay last year’s team the game was; conversing with the members of the treasury must scrape the sides of its coffers for fifty dollars, or that those loyal Howardites that the manager dreams about will dig into their pockets the day before commencement week for said amount.

There is no fame, no honor, no reputation to be gained by defeating a team representing an athletic club. Does the manager think the students are willing either to impoverish the Athletic Association or empty their pockets to bring here such a team? Does he think they are willing to risk a defeat for their team before the many commencement visitors for a victory that means nothing? Does he think they are willing to do these things, because, as he says, we owe them a return game, a game that can be played as easily next year as this?

If the manager says the game will pay, I will refer him to the two games we played with the Philadelphia Giants. Those two games cost us $125. The proceeds of the two games did not amount to $25. The ignominy of the defeat blurs my eyes as I write. Two games: first day, 16 to 0; second day, 15 to 1. Why those fellows made our boys look like kids who had played truant from Sunday school playing the Chicago League Team. The fewer Athletic Associations we play the cleaner our athletics, the more manly our players and the more enviable will be our record.

My personal view concerning the Dartmouth game was that we were not in a position to play them on the date they offered at the terms they offered. I will also state that it is my belief that the number of students clamoring for the Charleston Clipper game did not exceed one fifth the number asking for the Dartmouth game. And if it were brought to a test, I feel quite sure that the proportion willing to unloose their purse strings for the Charleston Clipper game would be even smaller. Playing Dartmouth means a great deal; defeating Dartmouth (and I know how remote the chance is) would be as great an achievement as we could dream of.

After all I must admit Mr. Shorter did not seem in his rambling discourse to attack anyone. His article seemed more like a long drawn out excuse. He seems either afraid that theseason will not be successful and he will be criticized, or he does not think he is getting the amount of praise for the splendid work he is doing. If the latter is the case, I take this occasion to say that he is the most energetic, the most earnest and hardest working manager that has been around here in the last four years.

Mr. Shorter either missed the is sue in my article in The Journal of March 29, or picked a flaw as an outlet for a reservoir full of accumulating excuses. I sympathized with him. Artie Fleming.

Y. M. C. A.

On Sunday afternoon at 3 o’clock Prof. Kelly Miller will address the society. A cordial invitation is extended to all young men to be present.

The meeting of the Y. M. C. A. in Clark Hall next Thursday evening will be led by Mr. E. P. Davis. Let the young men hear in mind the Sunday morning prayer meeting which opens at 6 o’clock.

The address of Mr. Tate at the meeting Thursday evening last was both instructive and practical.

The earnest words and practical instruction of Prof. George W. Cook of Sunday afternoon were appreciated. His subject, “Why am I Here?” was striking and suggestive and it has caused a number of young men to stop and consider its reference to themselves.

Baseball

The baseball team carrying fifteen men, with Assistant Manager Alphonso Cook in charge, left Thursday morning for an extended trip thru the South to last about ten or twelve days. They played at Petersburg Thursday, 18th, and at Shaw Friday and Saturday, 19th and 20th. Four days will be spent in Raleigh playing Kittrell and St. Augustine while there. Games have also been arranged at Durham and Oxford N. C. On the return trip the team stops at Richmond for two games with Union. This schedule is a hard one for almost all these teams are fast and the champions of their sections. The manager will telegraph the results every evening. Let us hope that each one may read a victory for Howard.

He talks like a book,
His admirers all say;
What a pity he doesn’t Shut up the same way.
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