The Two Seals
Address of Prof. Geo. Wm. Cook, Secretary Howard University, at a Banquet Given in His Honor

PROF. Geo. Wm. Cook, at the request of Dean K. Miller, repeated in Chapel, last Tuesday, to the whole student body assembled this fine masterly address of loyalty to Howard University:
Mr. Toastmaster and Friends:
Let me first thank the Committee and you all for your generosity in tendering me this evidence of good wishes and good will. It is stated in your invitation "In honor of George William Cook, Secretary of Howard University"—a double compliment, at once personal and official. Surely it is an honor to find so many men of varied occupations and duties turning aside to spend time and money to express appreciation of one's character. Dull indeed must the creature be who cannot find gratitude enough to return thanks, for grateful minds always return thanks. To be direct I deeply feel the personal and non-official side of the compliment you pay me but will you pardon me, gentlemen, if I confess that to compliment me as Secretary of Howard University touches me in a tender and vulnerable spot. "I love old Howard," and always have been and am now anxious to be in the team to tag at the administrative phase of Howard's movements. Accept them, my sincere thanks and consider me yours always. Now let us turn aside in sweet communion as brothers to talk about our Alma Mater. Let us trace her from foundation to present eminence, reaffirm our family pledges, and form resolutions now, review her gifts to us and re-dedicate ourselves through promise of Howard's gift. We love old Howard, we love her halls and her campus green, we will love to keep her memory fresh. Fear not; Howard men will spring up with both money and spirit not far in the future when the mother's cry in want will be met with a generous hand from her sons and daughters. A little more time for preparation and accumulation; then will be the time when endowment will precede request for preferment. When black philanthropists can turn desert spots into oases of learning and build halls of culture, then will Howard be reaping the reward in her own harvest and justify her being in the great family of Universities.

Though I wax warm in sentiment, I crave your indulgence but for a short while, for I pledge you my honor, and I say it seriously, that there is an affection underlying my words that makes Howard but second in love to my wife and child. She has been a gracious mother to me, supplying my necessities and defending me in my adversities, for which I have ever sought with might and main to return loyalty and service. When I am referred to as a Howard man, I have an uplift in the consciousness of relationship and fealty to an institution which to honor is but to be honored. Nobody can sing "I love Old Howard," exclusively, if I be present. Though ill adapted (Continued on Page 5, Column 1)

Alpha Phi Alpha Banquet

BETA Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity held its Fifth Initiatory Banquet on the evening of May 17, at the St. Regis Cafe.
At nine o'clock lights were all aglow and as the members came, singly or in twos, a jolly and fervent spirit of enthusiasm and brotherhood began to prevail. As the number increased the spirit and life of the evening increased in proportion. There was much interest and excitement at the whist tables as the deciding tricks were being turned for those who were to remain and battle with the next set of partners. All styles of whist playing were displayed. Trumping partners' tricks, revoking and arguing over plays were the main features of the game. Excellent music was furnished during the earlier part of the evening by talented artists, such as George A. Kyle and L. A. Howard, Henry F. Nixon and E. M. Chandler.
At ten-thirty everyone seated himself at the magnificently decorated table. Every man was at his post with eyes, hands and everything ready for business. All banquered royally on a menu of menus.

MENU
Tomato Bisque
Olives
Gherkins
Pickles
Salmon Croquettes
Fried Capon on Toast
Creamed New Peas
Candied Potatoes
Banquet Rolls
Salade a la Beta
Saltine Wafers
Alpha Phi Alpha Ice Cream
Assorted Cakes
Demitasse
Cheese
Toasted Wafer

Just after the third course was served Toastmaster Edward M. Chandler sounded the gavel and introduced those who were to try their eloquence. Clarence B. Curley the newly elected President of Beta Chapter, made an address of welcome filled with

The responses by Prof. W. V. Tunnell, Dr. A. G. Purvis of Epsilon Chapter University of Michigan, A. A. Williams, of Epsilon Chapter, Daniel Edmonds, teacher in high school and alumni member of Iota Chapter, Syracuse, N. Y., and Dr. Whittington Bruce, alumni member of Beta Chapter, were all pointed and contributed to the life of the occasion. There were also toasts full of life and originality by J. H. Russell, J. Luck, F. E. Butler, J. C. McKelvie, F. V. Plummer, W. H. Logan, J. R. Hunt, C. T. Lansford and R. E. Beamon.

The toasts by the honorary members, Prof. Geo. Wm. Cook and Prof. W. V. Tunnell, were very pointed and effective. The five initiates, Edward Evans, W. A. Pollard, E. H. Lee, T. R. Davis, and Elwood Downing were present, and spirit ran high among them as among old members.

As the midnight hour rolled around all joined in the song, “We Won’t Go Home Until Morning.” The evening was one pregnant with life, humor, enjoyment, and a fraternal spirit.

Nurses’ Commencement

On Friday night, May 10, the Class of Trained Nurses of Freedmen’s Hospital started the Commencement bell to rolling. Six of these well trained, qualified young ladies received their diplomas from the hand of Dr. W. A. Warfield, Surgeon in Chief of Freedmen’s Hospital.

An exceedingly interesting programme had been arranged for the occasion of the graduation, consisting of superb music by the University Orchestra and a violin solo of the usual high order by Prof. Joseph Douglass. The address of the evening was delivered by Rev. D. F. Rivers, Pastor of Berean Baptist Church. The address, brief and to the point, was pregnant with good wholesome advice to the young nurses. Dr. Rivers pointed out, in well chosen words, the peculiar position of the trained nurse of the new school, far different from that of years ago, occasioned by the advance in civilization and further, the unparalleled opportunity of the new nurse for service. He exhorted them not to be ashamed of their profession; as there is none nobler, and none loftier, and assured them that, if they love their work, love character, agreeable habits, gentleness, and tenderness supplemented by a high unimpeachable morality, their success in the world would be sure, and their service to the race and to the world all that was expected of them.

The exercises were pretty largely attended, as they well merited. The graduation of the nurses is looked forward to every year with much pleasure and pride by the University, and with high expectation by the friends of the Nurses’ Training School, and the one of Friday night was by no means a disappointment. It quite well held up the standard set in former years. This was the first graduation exercises of the year, and should be an inspiration to all the seniors of all departments.

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An Apology

In a conversation between Secretary Geo. Wm. Cook and a friend of his, the friend was congratulating him on his recent lecture in Chapel that has made such an impression upon the hearts of all loyal Howardites.

While the friend admitted that inattention to a lecture is almost always an unpardonable crime, he offered an apology for a moment of inattention, giving as a defense, however, in mitigation of the crime this fact:

When Secretary Cook was about to relate some pleasing incidents in the history of old Howard, old quiet “funeral face” Mack hailed little “Buck” Hunt remarking, “Check him up Buck!” Who could be attentive then?

Naps.

Peace Day

On last Friday at chapel exercises Peace Day, which was observed throughout the country on last Saturday, was fittingly observed in Howard. All the hymns sung were in full accord with the occasion, and the entire service assumed an air of peace. Three readings on peace were given by Mrs. George Cook in her own inimitable way. The principle one of these was a magazine article on the contribution of science to peace.

This service was quite an appropriate one in view of the great trend of all the civilized nations of the world towards peace. It is quite fitting that a day should be set aside as sacred and dedicated to this world influencing humanitarian movement, and it is only a manifestation of Howard’s sympathy and accord with all great issues for the betterment of the human races.

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Senior Dental Class Presents Silver Loving Cup to Dr. C. S. Wormley

Last Friday, at their weekly meeting, the Senior Dental class presented a silver loving cup to Dr. C. S. Wormley, the retiring superintendent of the Dental Infirmary and professor of crown and bridge work.

The presentation speech was made by Wm. H. Whitted, the president of the class. Dr. Wormley, with tears in his eyes, replied in a very fitting manner. He told in a most touching way how he had tried to his utmost capacity to serve his Alma Mater, and how he had made the upbuilding of the Dental Department his hobby. He pointed out to the class how success is measured by service and the amount of work done, and not by how much wealth accumulated.

In Dr. Wormley’s withdrawal from the faculty the Dental Department loses an indispensable man whose departure will be keenly felt.

The officers of the Senior Dental class are:

W. H. Whitted, President.
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Walter W. Whitfield, Jr., Secretary, J. D. Moses, Treasurer.

Robert M. Tribett, Chaplain,
Alex. W. Ferebee, Sergeant-at-Arms.

This class is the largest on record of the Dental College, numbering thirty-four.

The Greater Howard Debate

On last Friday night the Kappa Sigma Debating Club of the School of Liberal Arts and the Langston Debating Club of the Law School locked horns at the Metropolitan Baptist Church in a debate on Woman Suffrage. The debate was given under the auspices of the Theological Department and at the instigation of Mr. G. W. Oldham of that department. A prize of $15 was the moving spirit—the winning team receiving $20 and the losers $15. The Liberal Arts department was represented by Messrs. G. U. Dickens, ’14, and Jas. E. Rose, ’13; and Law School by Messrs. Jesse M. Jackson, ’14 and Evans, ’13. The debaters spoke to an exceedingly appreciative audience yet not so large a one as might have been expected—there being a conspicuous absence of college students.

The debate was opened by Mr. J. M. Jackson. Mr. Jackson gave a brief history of the subject, stating the main points of the contention. Mr. Jackson was followed by Mr. Dickens, who ably defended the government in its right to deny women the ballot and at the same time showed how woman suffrage would tend to corrupt politics. The second affirmative speaker, Mr. Evans followed, showing the expediency of woman suffrage. Then Mr. Rose, the second negative speaker, followed. He seemed to be and was master of the occasion. He outlined and excellently proved his points. We feel safe in saying that when he had taken his seat the debate had been won for the college.

The speakers of interest were Messrs. Jackson and Rose, the latter, in the estimate of Prof. Tunnell, by far excelling the former.

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EDITORIAL

The last issue of The Journal for this scholastic year will appear next week. Among other things the issue will contain a cut of the outgoing and incoming staff and a review of the year's work. It will be worth while, so pay your subscription and get a copy.

Now that it is all over, the seniors are asking themselves the question "Does the man of present please the youth of the used to be?" The answer must necessarily be comprehensive as there is so much involved therein. The affirmative answer produces in the senior no small degree of pleasure and satisfac-

tion, while, if the question is answered in the negative, he feels that he is much less developed than he should be and that he has not made good. To be able to satisfy the criterion of a successful college life gives one an honor equal to any our mundane existence affords.

As a matter of course, there is a lot of good common sense in the baccalaureate sermons this year. There always is every year. This season, however, in the pre-commencement pulpitaddress, there is an unusual amount of eulogy for poverty and the like, an unwonted degree of advice against too much devotion to the spirit of money getting. Poverty may have its advantages—though they are seldom visible to the naked eye. Riches may be a curse to some folks. If these baccalaureate preachers could inspire their hearers to efforts to bring about conditions in which better returns for life's effort might be realized, they would do a world of good for the future of the country. There is such a thing, however, as overdoing the effort to induce contentment and satisfaction with the privation of poverty.

Dr. Hugh Black has out a new book on Happiness, in which he holds it to be the duty of all to be happy. While that is not, of course, always possible, it is quite certain that many are not happy who ought to be. There are some who take a delight in being unhappy. They are ill-grained and naturally peevish. But for normal people—those who still have some command of their situation—Dr. Black has a prescription. He holds that "The heart of happiness is peace—the peace that comes only with unselfish service to fellow man and to God."

The prescription for peace is taken from the anthem of the Heavenly host over the little town of Bethlehem, over 1000 years ago. "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men." That's happiness. There in none other. Peace—it means harmony with the soul of things pure, clean, noble unselfish. All other sorts of peace are spurious, such is the peace gained from luxury, money, drink, dress or any of the pastimes along mere seashore lines.

A man who is deeply in earnest in his endeavors to be of assistance, who is animated by sincerity and brotherly interest alone, can work wonders by a candid expression of his views and leave no sting of bitterness. The plain-spoken person who, while perhaps entirely loyal in his intentions, sometimes allows himself to lose sight of his prime object and goes to greater lengths than he anticipated with proportionately unhappy results. We are always glad to weigh well the opinions of a man of candor, who never hesitates to give a frank expression of his views when called upon to do so. His clear-sighted conscientious regard for the truth makes his opinion of high value, and we feel that he will not fail us when we request a frank avowal of those opinions from him. The very nature of his judgments will necessarily prevent offense being given and even though they may not be altogether to our taste, the sincerity of their purpose is so evident that

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fresh from the fortunes of war, battled-scarred and blood stained, desiring farther to perpetuate the object of their militant victories by the forces of peace and brotherhood; men who failed to die at Gettysburg, Chancellorsville and Lookout Mountain, and continued the fight on this hill; men who, not satisfied with loosening the shackles of bondage, turned their powers to driving darkness from human souls, though encased in ebony; men who wrought under God's hand, and dying dissatisfied that the full fruition of their labors were not yet come to pass, leaving to survivors and posterity an unimpeachable task and warfare and upon none more than the present officers of Howard University and her Alumni.

Out of the fiery conflict of civil war, many manifestations of thought have come forth, but none more worthy, and let us pray to die at Gettysburg, Chancellorsville and Lookout Mountain, the latter precipitate task and warfare and darkness from human souls, though encased in ebony; men who wrought under God's hand, and dying dissatisfied that the full fruition of their labors were not yet come to pass, leaving to survivors and posterity an unmistakable task and warfare and upon none more than the present officers of Howard University and her Alumni.

The Preamble to the Charter explains comprehensively, though not in detail, the great purpose of Howard University.

"Section 1. That there be established, and is hereby established in the District of Columbia a university for the education of youth, in the liberal arts and sciences under the name, seal, and title of Howard University," stated as simple and plain as the decalogue itself.

I glean from the Fourth Annual Report on Schools for Freedmen for July 1, 1867, by J. W. Alvord, then General Superintendent of Schools, Bureau for Refugees and Abandoned Lands, what I conceive to be the first catalog of Howard University, and, if you will bear with me, I will read the entire catalog:

"Howard University. A charter has been granted by Congress for the Howard University which is to be open to all of both sexes without discrimination of color. This institution bids fair to do great good. Its beautiful site, so opportunely and wisely secured is an earnest of success. Large and commodious buildings are soon to be erected thereon. The normal and preparatory departments of the university were opened on the first of May, under the instruction of Rev. E. F. Williams, an accomplished scholar and a thorough teacher. At the close of the month the school numbered 31 scholars; it has now increased to about 60. Miss Lord, so long a popular teacher of this city, has been appointed assistant. The grade of this school is low for its name, but the students are making good advancement."

It may be thought by casual consideration as was said by eminent men, that the name was the largest thing about it, but I prefer to disagree and to say that the purpose set forth in the charter and as indicated by the words of J. W. Alvord, General Superintendent of Freedmen's Schools, and also a Trustee of Howard University, is the greatest thing about it. These are the words:

"We urge all friends of the freedom to increase confidence and to look forward with assured expectation to greater things than these. This people are to be prepared for what is being prepared for them. They are to become a people which in time past were not a people; and there is increasing evidence that "God hath made of one blood all the nations of men." Equal endowments substantially, with equal culture, will produce that equality common to all mankind."

In them we get the quintessence, we get the crystallization, we get the high purpose, we get the spiritual foundation of Howard University.

Conceived in prayer, born of the faith and convictions as embodied in its original seal which reads, "Equal rights and knowledge for all," an offspring of Plymouth Rock, Howard University is set before you—a cross between religious fervor and prophetic educational enthusiasm. She is then the essence filtrating from the declaration of Paul at Athens, that "of one blood hath God created all men to dwell upon earth."

For forty-five years, Howard has been living her life. She has been more or less doing her work as circumstances allowed and dictated but now we ask of you, "Watchman what of the night?" How far has this work been progressing along the line of basal principles that we find embodied in all these authoritative extracts? Unfortunately I think it is that the discussions in the early meetings of the Board of Trustees were not preserved in stenographic report, for the time will come, when the spiritual history of Howard University must be written as well as its material history, and

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then the historian will be at a loss to find the true afflatus that gave birth to our alma mater, unless we keep it in evidence. Howard must not lose her place in the order of events growing out of emancipation and the new birth of manhood for the American colored man.

The imagination has oft painted Howard University as a temple—a temple of knowledge,—a temple for the teaching of justice; a temple for the uphold of mankind. Let us then hold its form to our imagination, pearly white, as the palaces of the South, straight in its construction as rectitude, and let us present it to an admiring world not only for aesthetic culture but ethical grandeur, religious progress and political righteousness; and let us say to all, be he high or low, "who touches a stone in ye God-given edifice," is guilty of vandalism, is an iconoclast not at any time to be tolerated. He is tamping with the rights and privileges of a worthy people and deserves to have visited upon him the excoriation of a fiery indignation. Howard was created to meet the dire needs of a meritorious class and insensible indeed must the man be who for sentimental or personal reasons, or for profit swerves one degree from the line of the highest form of education in administration or instruction. There should be launched upon him the anathema of an outraged people.

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of Howard University. It were better for him that a mill stone were hung about his neck and that he be cast into the deep. For him there is punishment even after death in the sure infamy that will attach to his name.

The old motto: "Equal rights and knowledge for all," is a necessary constituent of the Howard University life and purpose. There can be no Howard University without equal rights and highest culture for all, based upon merit and capacity. To be plain, we know of no Negro education. Political rights and civic privileges are accompaniments of citizenship and are therefore part of the warp and woof of Howard University's curricula; the salt and savor without which where with will it be salted? Mathematics has no color; ethics and philosophy are of no creed or class; culture was not fashioned for race monopoly; knowledge is in no plan or department an exclusive goal; justice is universal. Freedom in striving for the acquisition of God's bounty as revealed by nature, is the birthright of all and an inalienable right of all. These are God-given privileges and any contravention of them is born of evil and belongs to the evil pow-ers.

Just how we are acquitting ourselves the result will show to be a blessing or a curse. We cannot sit idly by. Our privileges have been imposed a trust and we are the trustees. Let no man deceive himself. Whatever the opportunity of approval now for betrayal of trust bequeathed to us, the time will come for the court of public opinion to find whom to blame and whom to thank. What the founders demanded for Howard, we must still demand. What William Clark and Martha Spaulding by their gifts meant, must still be meant by Howard's activities. Being justified in the past, it must be maintained in the future. Then tonight let us re-baptize in Howard spirit and issue the mandate of loyalty and endeavor.

Then, fellow alumni, if you agree the gymnasium will be built, Howard will march on her course for higher things. Apathy must be displaced by action. Subscriptions must be paid as pledged and new ones made. It is the only way to academic honor.

Let no Howard man ever expatriate himself. Necessity driv-
President Alderman of the University of Virginia Defends College Fraternities as Builders of Character and Scholarship

President Alderman of the University of Virginia defended the American college fraternity when he spoke to the students in Madison Hall last Tuesday evening. He typified the greek letter fraternity of today as a home for college students. It is not, he declared, a center for the wilder set of college men, but is a true home that builds character, increases one's scholastic standard and serves to influence and strengthen a man for the right during a critical period of his life. Dr. Alderman declared that at the University of Virginia he had seen numbers of cases where a student about to go to pieces morally or otherwise had been influenced and had backbone built into him by the guidance of the older men in his fraternity. The President declared that the greatest influence in his own college career, one that lasted through life was his fraternity.

He defended the fraternity against the charge that it lacks democracy by declaring that, if such charge be true, it exists only as student expression of a national change. In its modern tendency toward co-operation he asserted, the organization is democratic in the true sense of the word. The fraternity, he asserted, is a greater influence for good than the faculty. Its members are selected with care from the best material of the college, and the association is of the best.

It is not just a club or a public house; it is something larger, it takes the place of a home.

At first, President Alderman said, secrecy was the feature of the college fraternity, and against this feature antagonism was very strong. But, he declared, the American fraternity has now reached its proper line of growth and during the next ten years, there is to be a wonderful growth in the expansion of fraternity influence. The two characteristic features, he declared, will be a more perfect business organization, and a more powerful influence to serve as moral and intellectual guides for thousands of young men living through the most critical period of their lives.

The Kappa Sigma Elects

At its regular meeting Saturday night the Kappa Sigma Debating Club elected the officers for next scholastic year. This meeting was well attended by those who came to vote only. The men in charge applied the deans' disqualifying amendment with telling effect upon the same old bunch of office seekers—Bryans of Howard University—who are "also running" every opportunity they get. When the results were made known, I. R. Berry, '13, had been elected President.

W. E. Ricks, Vice-president.
Secretary, A. W. Reason.
Chaplain, M. H. Hooker.
Critic, G. U. Dickens.
Parliamentarian, J. E. Rose.
Serg't-at-Arms, W. A. Pollard.

Sophomores Elect Officers for Junior Year

At the regular weekly meeting of the Sophomore class, that body elected its officers for the first semester of the next scholastic year. The meeting was largely attended and enthusiasm for the various candidates ran high, but absolute order prevailed.

The duly elected officers are Walter E. Tibbs, President; Frederick J. Chase, Vice President; Naomi S. Sewell, Secretary; Armentu Anderson, Assistant Secretary; Raymond S. Davis, Treasurer; J. U. Allen, Chaplain; Otto Bolanan, Journalist; C. L. Johnson, Critic; Benjamin L. Waits, Sergeant-at-Arms.

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