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Prof. Frederick W. Fairfield

Among the familiar faces missed in the opening of the University, none was more so than that of Dr. F. W. Fairfield, ex dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

For more than a score of years Prof. Fairfield has been connected with Howard University in the capacity of professor and dean, putting into the work at all times the best there was in his high and noble nature.

As a scholar he was broad and thorough and always aimed to inspire these characteristics into the students who chanced to come under him. As a teacher he had the ability of getting at the very essentials of a subject and of imparting them to his students. By his superior scholarship and deep interest in the student he won their confidence, and endeared them to him in a way that made the relationship between them warm and beautiful. As dean he had the interest of his department at heart and watched over it with fatherly care; feeling that each student in the department was a part of it, he was never too busy with his multiplied duties as dean and occupant of the "Bench of Greek, etc.," (for the range of subjects he taught was large) of a man or woman in the highest sense of the terms, and his greatest desires, in teaching were that his students should be not only scholars but men and women. No student could be long in his classes without feeling the inspiration of his earnest moral and religious personality, and few there are who will not always point with pride to some lesson they've learned from the life and teachings of "Freddy."

At the close of the last school

year, having devoted thirty-three years of his life to teaching. Prof. Fairfield was successful in receiving a pension from the Carnegie Teachers' Pension Fund and resigned from the position he had held so long and filled so well. As devoted as he was to the calling that he had chosen as his life's work, he felt that his first duty was to his aged mother, now past eighty years; and has gone to California to care for her in the sunset of her long life.

To his far western home there will follow him the deepest interest and kindest affection of Howard University and of all Howardites who have come in contact with him, for "none knew him but to love him, none spoke of him but praised him."

May a long and well-earned rest be the crowning feature of his long and useful active life.

M. A. M. '07.



Opening of the Medical School

The Medical College held its opening exercises in the auditorium of the Medical building, Tuesday night, Oct. 2nd at eight o'clock. Many visitors, as usual, were present and also many new students. Just before the exercises began the "Sophs" went through the room and ousted any Freshman who perchance had been bold enough to sit down. It is an old custom that "Penes" must not sit in the seats on opening night. No little amusement was occasioned by the resistance of one or two Freshies. But resistance did not break the custom for a few moments later these beligerent Penes were seen listening to the exercises in a standing position, along with the rest of their

brothers.

Rev. Rivers opened the exercises with prayer, and the President of the University made the address of the evening. He congratulated the medical profession upon the nobility of its calling. In a most forceful and eloquent manner he urged the need of self sacrifice for the uplift of a suffering humanity. The close relation of the ministry and medical profession was plainly set forth. This address was listened to attentively and at the close prolonged applause was given.

Dean Reyburn who has been present at these opening exercises for forty years was in charge. He made a short address in which he recalled the struggles of the medical school for existence. He then introduced Dr. Lamb, Dr. Seamon and Dr. Balloch each of whom gave a short talk on the relation of instructor to pupil. Dr. Bartsch, Dr. Scurlock, Vice-Dean Brown of the Dental school and Vice Dean Purdy of the Pharmaceutical school gave short talks of encouragement to the students. The exercises then closed with the announcements of Dr. Shadd, Secretary of the Medical School.

The "Sophs" gathered at the gate but no demonstration outside of cries of "Fresh meat!" was given.



On Wednesday, Sept. 25, all departments on the Hill resumed the work of the year. The day as well as the rest of the week was consumed in the matriculation of students quite a number of whom were new. Chapel exercises were held at 11:30 at which time resolutions of the board of trustees commending the work of the retiring professors were read.

Howardites in St. Louis

It has become a habit with the residents of the Hill to look every year for a goodly number of St. Louisians upon the registry, and, so far as I can ascertain, there have been few years since the formation of the habit in which this looking has been in vain.

Students have often asked me why so many students come from St. Louis. Whether these inquiries were prompted by instinct or adage I really cannot say—for you know both instinct and reason teach that "there can't be so much smoke without a fire. The general belief seemed to be that there must be a number of Howard alumni in St. Louis doing well and making a good showing for their alma mater. At that time I knew of only two, and while I was able to testify to their good works and brilliant success, I was equally as well prepared to affirm and swear by oath that they had had no hand in inducing me to come here, nor had their good works and brilliant success even entered into the plan to be the smallest part of the motive force which turned my movements hither. For my own part, I simply came because I had heard of its being a good school and I knew of the great educational advantages afforded by the Capital City.

These inquiries, however, somewhat aroused my own interest to know how many of our alumni were in the swim of the great western metropolis, and so I decided on my recent visit to the city to investigate the matter as much as possible without becoming conspicuous and the result of the investigation quite startled me. It was all so good that I feel it will be a source of pleasure to all of us to know what some of our brothers are doing beyond the Mississippi.

I do not claim to be giving a full record of Howardites and their work in St. Louis—but here are a few whom I have been able to find.

A Howardite just arriving in St. Louis would very likely walk west

on Market street and stop in the first swell drug store he sees to get a soda. Here he is buying of Mr. Ernest Harris, and being served by Mr. Priestly Mullen, both sons of Howard. By the time he walks another block west and turns one block north he will be thirsty again if the day is hot, and stopping at the next swell pharmacy he sees he will still be keeping the money in the family, for this establishment belongs to Messrs. Wright and Bollen, both of whom Howard claims for her own. He might try to duck it and walk north on Jefferson avenue to the next swell druggist, but he is caught in the whirlpool of fate—and he'll have to sink his money there in some more Howard stock, for Mr. Mosby, another of our boys, has his name on the window, and as sure as you go in there he will ask you what you're going to have.

When the visitor has reached his stopping place, two chances to one, he must sit down and satisfy his hunger on provisions purchased from Harris & Mosely's Wholesale and Retail Grocery Company—still a Howard man in the case in the person of Mr. Mosely, who comes in for half the profit or loss when said company settles its accounts. If he dares get sick, he will find himself shelling off two or more of his hard earned dollars to Dr. McClellan (of Howard.) Let him get a toothache and Dr. Geo. Cathrell will get a chance to put his fingers into his mouth. But what will he care, since they are both members of the Howard family?

A college student would naturally visit the high school. The very first person he will encounter will be Dr. Elmer Campbell, an alumnus of Howard, a post graduate of Illinois State University and later of Chicago University. Dr. Campbell is the assistant principal of the school and is the beloved of the male part of the faculty. I have intentionally reserved the last place as a place of honor for a lady, first because she is a lady,

and mainly because she deserves all the honor that the place can confer upon her.

The visitor at the St. Louis High School cannot help seeing Miss Hattie Hubbard, who having been appointed to a position which three men preceding her consecutively, one being a graduate of Cornell, one of Yale and one of Howard, had been unable to fill satisfactorily, is holding her own most satisfactorily, and is the beloved of the beloved at the school. What makes the affair all the more interesting is the fact that Miss Hubbard was appointed the year she graduated without having had any experience in the pedagogical profession. Certainly Howard should feel proud of a daughter like this.

The cases mentioned are but a few of the many. I regret that I was unable to make a more thorough investigation, that my list might be fuller, but I feel sure that I have gone far enough to answer that question, "Why does St. Louis send so many students to Howard?" once and forever and to the satisfaction of all.

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Captain of My Soul

OUT of the night that covers me, Black as the pit from pole to pole, I thank whatever gods may be For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance,
I have not winced nor cried aloud,
Midst the bludgeonings of chance,
My head is bloody, but unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears
Looms but the horror of the shade,
And yet the menace of the years
Finds and shall find me unafraid.

It matters not how straight the gate,
How charged with punishment and scroll,
I am the master of my fate!
I am the captain of my soul.

An Interesting Affair

We cannot afford to let pass so interesting an event as that which followed the commencement exercises on the evening of May 29th. This was one which added so much to the festivities of commencement week as well as being of great significance to the college class of '07. It goes without saying that all present enjoyed the choice commencement program and that every loyal heart beat with pride as the distinguished members of the class of "naughty seven" were awarded the honor that they had so justly won and were about to go forth with sheepskin in hand to bring honor to our alma mater.

However we fear that in the midst of the pomp of so important a ceremony some minds strayed back to the sumptuously laden tables that were awaiting them on the hill. Indeed we wonder if the thoughts that they had reached the acme of their school life and with much ceremony and advice were receiving the boon for which they had struggled three, four years of toilsome days and sleepless nights, which was to some a pass admitting them to the field on which is being played the game of life, or possibly the key which was destined to unlock the doors to the hall of fame, while to others a sign to the outside world that thus supplied they would knock at the portals of higher institutions and work, knowing that none would dare refuse to open and share with them its stores which it so jealously guarded—yes, if all these thoughts crowded the minds of the distinguished "grads" themselves that they did not occasionally revert to the Hill where at the top of four winding flights of stairs was a feast designed to tempt the palate of Epicurus.

And so after the exercises were over six joyous and honored "College Naughty Sevens" repaired not to their respective homes, but to the suite of rooms that had been arranged for the occasion,

where about twenty of their chums were still to do honor to both the outer and inner man. Space will not permit us to publish the entire menu, but sufficient to say that if the interest shown in the consump- was anyway significant of the interest in the class of '07, they will ever have the anxious eyes of their fellow students upon them until they have reached that one great goal—success.

But not until Messrs. Davis, Morrison, Tate, Dade, McMurray and Smith in choice addresses spoke their love for "Old Howard" and their words of inspiration to those who were yet to follow, did the true charm and significance of the affair manifest itself. After a few spirited responses the guests departed feeling a still deeper love for Howard, a closer kin to the Class of '07, and promising to meet again during commencement week 1908.

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Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. held its first meeting of this scholastic year Sunday afternoon at which there were a large number of new faces. It is safe to say, judging from the high enthusiasm among the students and the unusually large number of new ones, that this year will be a most successful year for the Young Men's Christian Association of Howard University. Beginning with last Sunday's meeting, the membership enrollment has been steadily increasing; and we earnestly hope that it will continue so until every male student both new and old, has become a full member by paying his fee, which is the small sum of fifty cents. The association is in great need of funds for the purpose of properly fitting out its rooms, where its members and the members of the student body may enjoy the material advantages, such as good books, periodical literature, suitable games and music. Will the student body of this university appreciate this effort by liberally contributing to the support of the association in every way possible? The International Association of Y. M. C. A. will meet in Washington this winter and now is the time to begin showing the Howard spirit. The doors of the Y. M. C. A. stand wide open and we are ready to assist new and old students in any way possible.

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an address from Rev. Lewis B. Moore, Dean of the Teachers College. Mr. R. G. Doggett, our sweet baritone singer, will sing. Good music by the Y. M. C. A. Orchestra. Meeting from 3 to 4 p. m. every Sunday in the assembly room of the main building.

Prof. Schuh will address the association Sunday, October 13.

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Howard at the Jamestown Exposition

Among the many interesting exhibits representing the work of individuals and institutions, installed in the Negro Building at the Jamestown Ter-Centennial Exposition, Howard occupies a very prominent place.

In a booth of appropriate dimensions are gathered nineteen large photographs of the campus and buildings, which show the beautiful site occupied by the institution in the Nation's Capitol. The work which the school has accomplished since its organization is shown, statistically on a large chart, and, in addition to this there is an abundance of literature consisting of souvenir post cards, booklets and catalogs available for free distribution.

In making an exhibit of this nature Howard is in line with several of the large Eastern Colleges represented in the Educational Building.

During the summer months Prof. Miller's Sociological Charts were demonstrated within the booth, thus bringing the work of the institution to the attention of many prominent persons from every section of the country.

J. G. L.

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The Journal

FOR many years The University Journal has played a prominent part in the University life. Each year has marked some advance, and the Journal company of 1907-8 aims to preserve this reputation and publish a paper that shall be fully up to the standard of the modern college journal.

The Journal of this year will be published as a semi-monthly owing to the lack of room and time at the printing office, but the size will be increased to eight pages. Especial attention will be given to the printing and editing. Contributions from the students are earnestly requested. No college journal can exist without the support of the student body. Contribute to the

success of the paper by paying your subscription. The brighter side of college life will be fully presented in The Journal, for in a sense this is the most prominent side. The sweetest memories are those of the pleasantries and fun indulged in while a student. And so, in a harmless way, wit, humor and satire will find their places.

With the hearty support of the student body the Journal company of 1907-8 will go about their task with the determination to put out a paper that shall be representative of Howard.



The Foot-ball Outlook

By H. Irving Scott
Vice President Athletic Association

For the last few years there has been considerable talk one way or the other concerning the football teams that have been turned out. In some quarters indeed, the criticism has been unduly severe, and for the most part unwarranted. Tho we cannot and would not for one moment countenance any statement that would detract from the great prestige, enjoyed by our former coaches, nor question the spirit and time put in for the team, yet there seemed to be something lacking in the making of our teams. As no machine—a good football team—is absolutely perfect, this we can readily see is no fault of the coaches, but something to be looked for in the general fitness of things.

In the lower world stock-raisers find that despite their utmost efforts in care of their stock that after a certain time, their breeds commence to fall off—do not come up to the standard.

To overcome this they introduce new breeds. The horse breeder in the East calls on the Blue-Grass region for one of its sturdy breeds the dairyman of the West calls on New-Jersey for one of its famous milk breeds, and this in all institutions there comes a time when it is necessary to introduce new blood.

We feel that we should infuse new blood into foot ball at Howard; not because of the inefficiency of anyone, but because it is time for restocking. In our foot ball life that means a foot ball coach filled with the spirit and breadth of another large institution besides Howard. Accordingly the Athletic Association has been in communication with Mr. Henry Bullock, a Dartmouth foot ball player of no mean fame.

Until October 15 this gentleman will be coaching the back line of the

Andover School. After which time until after Thanksgiving the services of this gentleman are ours for a month—no more than we would have paid a local man. Now we are all Howardites. We some eleven hundred strong, have some of the best specimens of humanity to be found in such a community on this good old earth. Is there any reason why we should not have the best team of any school, if not in the United States, at least among colored schools? This year we are competing with two of the strongest colleges in America. These two have no money to employ the best coach available. Why should we quibble a few dollars and some old-fashioned prejudices, when it means so much to be on the right side of the scale, when the foot ball season ends. A little sacrifice will put us on the plane of other colleges of our size and prominence. With this in view a mass meeting of the student body has been called for Saturday night, the twelfth. All Howard sympathizers are expected to be present.



Mr. E. C. Posey

In the sudden death of Mr. L. C. Posey which occurred on August 19th, the University lost a devoted alumnus, an ardent friend and an active and efficient worker. Mr. Posey graduated from College in 1879 and from the Law School in 1882. Since graduation he has been among the most loyal of the alumni, and his example was one which others would do well to emulate. Never did his interest flag in the alumni organizations of which he was a member. He made it convenient to be present at all the athletic events held on the University campus. The Athletic Association would always find in him a friend ready with his counsel and with his money. As an alumni member of the Athletic Council, he was known as a tireless advocate of everything that would tend to extend further the athletic prestige of the University.

He was respected highly as a useful citizen of Washington and as a member of the bar. His remains were taken to his home in Blackville, S. C., where they were interred.

Societies

The Alpha Phi Literary Society offers excellent opportunities to the students of the College, Law, Theological and Medical schools in the pursuit of literary activities. This society meets every Friday night at 8 o'clock, in the assembly room.

The Y. M. C. A. is an organization for young men. Its work among students has been of inestimable value. It meets each week on Sunday afternoons to discuss important questions.

The Eureka Society gives the young men of the Preparatory and Commercial departments an opportunity to cultivate their talent in discussing the pros and cons of the leading questions of today. The Eureka meets weekly, on Friday, at 8 p. m., in main building, first floor.

The Christian Endeavor is perhaps the best attended society of the school. In the assembly hall every Saturday evening, at 6:30, its meetings are held. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Alumni Notes

Mr. Edward P. Davis, Col. '07, editor of the 1906-07 Journal, remains at Howard as an instructor in the Academy.

Mr. A. D. Tate, Col. '07, will pursue a course in Theology at Union Theological Seminary, New York City.

Miss Myrtle Jones of the college class of 1907 passed through the city Monday enroute to North Carolina, where she will teach in the Joseph K. Brick Industrial School.

Mr. H. W. Dade '07, has accepted a position in the Samuel Houston College, of Texas, as teacher in History.

Mr. M. M. Morrison '07, will

enter the Howard Medical School this year.

Mr. Robert H. Meriwether, Law '07, having successfully passed the District Board and been admitted to the bar, is now practising law in the District.

Mr. J. A. McMurray, Col. '07, is planning to take an advanced teacher's course in Chemistry.

Mr. H. P. Russell, Col. '05, graduates next June from Harvard Dental School, Boston. Mr. Russell has maintained a fine record at this school.

Miss Alexis Jackson, Phar. '05, is successfully engaged in the drug store business in Charleston, S. C.

Miss Gertrude Stewart, Ph. B. '07, is teaching in the Dinwiddie Scientific and Industrial School in Dinwiddie, Va.

Changes in the Faculty

Dean Fairfield of the College of Arts and Sciences has retired from active service. He is now living in California with his aged mother. The resignation of Dean Fairfield deprived the school of one of its staunchest friends and supporters. His successor has not as yet been named.

Dean Cook of the Commercial Department goes to Blue Plains D. C. to take charge of an Industrial School for boys. He will still, however, exercise supervision over his department.

Prof. Hay, who last year held the Chair of Natural History, has accepted a position as Director of Natural History in the City High Schools for white pupils. Prof. Hay devoted his entire energies to his department and his work was always of the first quality.

Mrs. Smith, formerly Miss Anderson, instructor in English in the Commercial Department, has resigned. As the President very fittingly said, we wish her well and are glad to congratulate her, but we feel her loss.

Prof. Parks comes to us from Gammon Theological School. He will take the chair of Political

Science in this University. A graduate of Northwestern University and a teacher of long experience, we cannot but congratulate ourselves upon securing his services.

To take the place of Prof. Hay, Prof. Schuh comes from the Pennsylvania State Normal. He is an affable gentleman, experienced and greatly interested in his work.

Mr. Just, Dartmouth College '07, has been selected as instructor in History in the Commercial Department. He comes highly recommended from his college.

Mr. Edward P. Davis, a graduate of the College Department 1907, has been appointed instructor in Latin in the Academy. Mr. Davis is well known for his excellent work while a student in Howard.

Mr. Graffam has been selected as Director of the Department of Manual Arts. He also comes highly recommended, and doubtless under his wise direction this department will maintain a high grade of efficiency in its line of work.

Miss Palmer comes to take charge of the Department of Domestic Science. Formerly an instructor in the Simmons College of Boston and the New London Manual Training School this department is fortunate in having Miss Palmer at its head.

Vespers

The first regular vesper service of the school year was held last Sunday at 4:30 the regular hour. These services have become very popular and are looked forward to with a great deal of interest, not only by the student body but by the friends of the University in the city, and from the large attendance at this opening service, we expect even better attendance during the present year. The President, Dr. Thirkield, in his usual very able and interesting manner, delivered the address, urging the student to seek education for usefulness instead of education for self.

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come back to this thirty-mile an-hour town to worship at the shrine of Howard.

To those who are visiting us for the first we bring shall I say of love or warning? However it is couched in the following terms:

(1) Guide your tongue that it stray not in College men's conversation.

(2) Be seen but little and heard less.

(3) Attempt to introduce no new styles: red combinations, pumps, 'to morrow hats' are exclusively for Upper Classmen.

(4) Train your ponies well, and go slow else rider and animal will be ruled off the scene of activity.

(5) Attempt not to mingle in the Washington society, else, (1) the gauntlet, and (2) a trip home for you—most pig-headed denizens of this fair spot.

(6) Worship not the shrine of Bacchus, at least not so it can be noticed in any public place.

(7) Be careful of your deportment in the streets, else you smirch the name of fair Howard.

(8) Buy not Howard bands nor wear H's until you have satisfied the high moguls of the Athletic as to your right to the letter.

(9) Be ever present in Andrew Rankin Chapel at 12 o'clock five days per week.

(10) Walk not on sections of greensward bounded by an elliptical road approaching and leading from Miner Hall, lest you be held accountable.

(11) O green one, take heed lest at any time thy cabbage weed or thy Duke's Mixture get thee in to trouble.

(12) Most helpless ones, be not wise in thine own conceit, else down upon your verdant heads will come the wrath of the upper classmen.

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Bishop Ferguson of the Protestant Episcopal Church conducted devotionals in Chapel Tuesday. The Bishop has spent many years in Africa doing missionary work and in a short address pointed out Africa as a great field for missionaries.

Holiday Revery

By W. A. S. Wright, Col. '07

It was on a beautiful summer day while reclining under a large tree enjoying the luxury of a siesta that I had the following revery.

In one week I had reached the top of the educational ladder absorbing all the branches of education conceivable with positively nothing left to study and feeling that my mind has been literally led out (education being from *e*, out; and *duco*, I lead) or withdrawn from the body leaving me with a "a stock of erudition that might have puzzled a doctor and a degree of ignorance of which a schoolboy would have been ashamed," as was the case of Edward Gibbon, when he passed from Westminster to Oxford in 1752.

All this I accomplished at Corpus Christi College, Oxford—a scholastic career in which I had reached the acme of my ambition, the zenith of my aspiration.

Embarking at the port of Utopia on the S.S. Celeritas, I reached Oxford in 1 hour, 1 minute and 1 second. I then matriculated for the Arts course. The "avenues to the B. A. degree" were passed in "less than no time," viz., responsions, moderations and final. In moderations and final, the honor schools were taken, with the following results: Second class honors in *Literis Latini et Græcis* (Honor classical moderations) and First class honors in the Final Honor School of *Literæ Humaniores* thus winning the B. A. degree from so famous a university.

Besides the required course extras were taken, e. g., Hebrew in the Final Honor School of Theology. In this language I obtained every figure of the maximum of 100 in the reverse order. This was of course considered a very great achievement. As a result I was awarded the highest Hebrew prize and was appointed Regius Professor of that Language in Corpus Christi College, thus passing

directly from the student's bench to the professor's chair in one week.

To effect this great achievement in so short a time the methods used in studying were adopted from suggestions given in a "Holiday Journal" by Monsieur Grau, Senior Idiotic Wrangler of Queen's College, Cambridge (Classical Tripos). These suggestions being the result of his experience as professor in a "night school for idiots and all who are desolate and oppressed in the senses.

I prepared myself in English by learning the alphabet backwards. The examination in this subject was said to be the most difficult ever set by the University. The following are some of the questions: "What is the shortest sentence in English containing all the letters of the alphabet?" (Ans.: "Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs"). Attach names of eatables to the letters of the Alphabet; e. g., D, dumpling.

In Mathematics I studied Kell's New Mode of Acquiring Mathematical Knowledge, and discarded all flimsy text books on the subject, even Wentworth's series.

I confined myself chiefly to the concrete illustrations therein given, such as by counting pebbles as fast as possible with both hands and by drawing rapidly on the blackboard geometrical figures. To my delight the first question on the paper was, "Which hand is better suited to the counting of pebbles?" The second was, "Which hand is more efficient in tossing away the remaining bits of chalk after delineating some geometrical figures?" Of course I obtained First Class Honors with distinction.

I learnt all about Astronomy in two nights—going out at midnight and making observations by means of a telescope made of bamboo stalk. I was prepared in Classics by committing to memory 1000 lines each of Latin and Greek jingles, omitting difficult passages.

In modern languages I was prepared by reciting the *Pater Noster*

backwards daily. In French the first question was, "Write out the *Pater Noster* from *Notre Pere* to *tomber en tentation*" In German, "Translate, *Denn dein ist das Reich und dei Kraft und dei Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit*."

Such are the methods and forces adopted by me to become in one week a B. A. Oxon, and a Regius Professor in one of its colleges.

But while just about to congratulate myself and to glory in my brilliant achievements and success I awoke from my siesta and found it all a daydream. Alas! it was a revery—yea, it was all an irregular train of thoughts, occurring during the inactivity of my external senses to the impressions of the surrounding objects—a mere floating of ideas in the mind without any reflection or regard of the understanding and which is (as Locke says) "that which the French call revery: and for which our language has scarce a name."

Nay! there was no realization of the brilliant success and achievements chronicled above: so instead of rising to find myself an Oxford graduate and professor, I arose to find myself returning to dear old Howard as a humble undergraduate.

Vivat Howardianis!

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At the opening of the Law School Wednesday night an unusually large number of alumni friends and students were present. Dean Leightons' address was full of fatherly advice and inspiration. After a few brief remarks by Prof. Birney, Pres. Thirkield was introduced as the speaker of the evening. He spoke at length upon the lawyer and his qualifications and the need of more well equipped lawyers among the people of the race. Excerpts were read from his address upon "The Higher Education of the Negro." Profs. Hart, Richardson, Williams and Woodward having expressed in a few words their hearty approval of all that had been said, adjournment followed, after which there was the usual exchange of greetings and handshakings among professors, students and friends.

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