machine had achieved a victory at Saratoga. On the contrary, they declared that the proceedings of the convention showed plainly that Governor Cleveland's friends were afraid to take a test vote on the question of instructing the delegation from this State to vote for him at Chicago. The opinion was freely expressed by the shrewdest and most observing of the Tammany leaders that it is the intention of those who were loudest in declaring for Governor Cleveland at Saratoga to throw him overboard at Chicago and endeavor to cast the vote of New-York for Payne.

"Do you accept the results of the convention as a victory for Governor Cleveland?" John Kelly was asked.

"I do not," he replied. "I am not by any means certain that a majority of the delegates to Chicago are in the interest of Governor Cleveland, although an earnest effort is being made by his friends to make it appear so. Delegates are credited to him without any foundation in fact. Indeed, I am certain that, in some districts delegates have been claimed for him whose preferences are for Bayard. However, in this particular I have not made such careful investigation as ex-Senator Grady and some others.

"Do you accept the fact that no effort was made to instruct the delegates to vote for Gavernor Cleveland as an evidence of weakness?"

"Unquestionably. Had they felt strong enough, such a resolution would have been presented by Governor Cleveland's friends, and an effort made to pass it for the effect it would have on other State delegations."

"Why did not Mr. Flower make a better showing?"

"I presume that can be explained by the fact that the opposition in the convention, was more anti-Cleveland than in favor of Flower. Still Mr. Flower is stronger and has more friends in the delegation to Chicago than the figures printed have given him. Recollect that there was no actual test vote as between Cleveland and Flower. The fact that Tammany Hall has been placed on an equality with the County Democracy was an act of tardy justice, but the wrong committed by previous conventions in giving our organization, which casts a greater number of votes than the County Democracy, less representation in State councils has now been righted."

Ex-Senator Grady was emphatic in declaring his belief that the majority of the delegation to Chicago is not for Cleveland. "I have gone carefully over the districts," he said, "and taking these and the delegates-at-large whose complexion we know, I am convinced that Governor Cleveland has not a majority. Moreover, I do not believe that some of those who had the control of Governor Cleveland's canvass are heartily in favor of him, or intend to present his name in good faith at Chicago. I saw a telegram from a prominent Democrat in Georgia, stating that if our convention instructed its delegates to vote for Cleveland, Georgia would the same. And yet, in the face of that, Governor Cleveland's professed friends did not make any effort to commit the delegation to his support. I believe that putting forward of Cleveland is a blind, and that, if it can be done, the vote of New-York will be transferred to Payne. Ex-Mayor Cooper, William C. Whitney and others of the New-York city delegates really favor Payne, and I think that Daniel Manning is likely to cooperate with them, giving as a reason that Cleveland cannot command the votes of the majority of the delegation. There is another reason for my belief in this particular. No one who is thoroughly identified with Governor Cleveland is on the delegation. Congressman Dorsheimer, who was to have presented Governor Cleveland at Chicago, was beaten by the Manning people for delegate-at-large."

"What do you think of Flower's strength?"

"Mr. Flower is stronger than the Cleveland people are willing to concede. His friends were able to name two of the delegates-at-large, Senator Jacobs and Lester B. Faulkner. It is well known that Senator Jacobs is strongly opposed to the Governor, and General Faulkner was one of Mr. Flower's managers."

Commissioner Brennan—I do not accept the result of the convention as a triumph for Cleveland. It looks to me more like a drawn battle. I do not believe that Governor Cleveland has a majority of the delegation to Chicago.

Register Reilly.—It is a question with me whether Governor Cleveland has a majority of the delegates. It is a very close thing.

State Committeeman Cahill.—I believe it will be found that a majority of the delegates are adverse to Governor Cleveland.

Ex-Register Docharty.—The result is close, but it will prove, I think, that Cleveland has not a majority of the delegation.

COUNTY DEMOCRACY PLEASED AND HAPPY.

Dusty and tired but hilarious, the County Democracy delegation returned to New York shortly after 8 o'clock yesterday evening. The party left Saratoga on a special train by the West Shore route. When Weehawken was reached, the classic spot where beer had so often flowed like water to solace disgusted Democrats in their afflictions, the blatant strains of a brass band announced to expectant friends on the other side of the Hudson that the trusted standard-bearers and chosen warriors had got back safe and sound. Views were expressed as follows:

Hubert O. Thompson—I am very well pleased with the result of the Convention. We got all we sought. The result is a decided majority of the delegation for Cleveland.

Excise Commissioner William P. Mitchell—The Flower boom seems to have contained more wind than steam. Its collapse was ludicrous after its vaunted strength.

Ex-Mayor Cooper—The result of the Convention is a victory for Cleveland. I believe that he will have at least fifty delegates to Chicago from New-York. The adoption of the unit rule makes it practically a solid delegation for him. Flower's boom was nowhere.

DISHEARTENED IRVING HALL MEN.

The city offices filled up gradually yesterday with politicians from Saratoga. The Irving Hall men rattled their pocket flasks in the Grand Central Depot early in the morning, and then clung like a cloud of gnats about the office of their excessively devoted chief, the Sheriff. Those members of the Irving Hall faction who still retained animation enough to talk did so in exceedingly energetic language. They denounced the action of the Convention as opposed to the State Committee in giving Tammany Hall an equal representation with the County Democracy and then cutting down their representation one-third of the number. They had become so doleful that one of them said that he was sure that if Senator Murphy hadn't gone to Saratoga last Monday and entered the roll of the delegates of the faction, Irving Hall would not have been represented in Chicago at all. They were even tempted to rail against "Tim" Campbell and explained that "so long as he had feathered his nest; he didn't care for the boys."

When the Sheriff returned he lacked all the buoyancy of spirits that he had and seemed absolutely disheartened at the prospects of his faction.

COLORED PEOPLE REJOICING.

CELEBRATING THE ADOPTION OF THE FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.

WILKESBARRE, June 18.—To-day was a gala day with the colored people of this city and vicinity. For some time a celebration in honor of the adoption of the 15th Amendment has been in preparation, and the festivities to-day were successful. Delegations of colored people began pouring into the city last evening and the early trains this morning brought many more. Visitors were in the city from outside towns, Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Williamsport sending large delegations. A parade took place this morning with three bands of music and about 500 persons were in line. A banquet was given at Landmesser's Hall at noon, which was participated in by many outsiders. John Logan, president of the local organization, made an address of welcome, and Professor William Howard Day, of Harrisburg, delivered the oration of the day. He contrasted the condition of the colored people in the bonds of slavery with their standing to-day where they enjoyed all the privileges of citizens. He was cheered to the echo and a vote of thanks was given to him. In the evening a reception and ball was given in the same hall. The festivities were kept up until a late hour.

WHY AN INDEPENDENT PAPER SUPPORTS BLAINE.

From The Buffalo Express (Ind. Rep.)

They [the bolters] confess that the [Republican] candidate amply represents the party—say the party is no better than the candidate. But as the party is still their party, as it is ours, does it not more than ever need all of the best efforts of its more unselfish elements to purify and reform it? Can it not be reformed from the inside better than from the outside? Is not the Republican party, with all its faults, the party of liberty, progress and enlightenment? With the Democratic party entrenched in power and administering the government, what good work could a chastened and reformed Republican party do? Suppose that our excellent friends should be the means of placing the Democracy in power, would they hope thereby to reform the Democratic party? On the other hand, grant that the election of Mr. Blaine would only increase the need of reformation in the Republican party: if they have contributed toward that election would not the Independents and reformers stand on stronger ground in the effort for effecting that reformation? Their revolts heretofore have been against the dishonesty of party managers in caucus and convention. Can there ever be a nomination more fatally made, more absolutely representative of the party's choice—with and without the intervention of caucus, convention or party machinery of any kind—than is the nomination of Mr. Blaine? *The Express* supports the Republican ticket, and will labor arduously for the election of Blaine and Logan. We know that this will be no trifling fight, but we expect to do our share in it. Give and take! We shall not shrink from the blows that come our way nor fail to strike back four hardest. We think that the odds are against our side—at least, they so look to us now. But so much the more shall we strive to win the greater victory. For Blaine and Logan, then, no matter who may be their competitors! Long live the Republican party!

THE RETURN OF THE TAIL.

From The Indianapolis Journal.

It is a warm day in early June, 1888, and the Republican National Convention is settling down to the business of selecting the next Lucky Ticket. While the roll is being called a very dishearten ed Tail makes its way wearily through the crowd, and, after catching its breath, asks if this is the Republican Dog. "For," continues the Tail, "I cut myself off from that Dog in 1884, and I belong here." Being assured that this is the only genuine Republican Mastiff doing business at the same old stand, the Tail works itself into quite a frame of mind.

"You remember," says the Tail, "that when I severed my connection with the party I did so without prejudice, and now I wish to renew it."

"Your desire is very natural," says the Convention, "but we are sorry to say that you cannot come in."

"And why not, pray?" asks the humble Tail.

"Well, the fact is," says the Convention, "we have all the Tail we want, and, besides, we don't care to spoil the Dog."

Business Manager NEW-YORK TRIBUNE, to Business Manager *New-York Times*:

You can tell your old mail clerks we can give them a job.

Thanks, old fellow, that's real good of you.

Oh, that's all right. I'll put them to hats they are accustomed to. They won't have a bit of trouble. It will be just as if they were getting up *The Times's* mail.

How kind you are. I'll send 'em word.—(Phila. Press.

THE COMMENCEMENT SEASON

UNIVERSITY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

EXERCISES IN THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC—ORATIONS AND DEGREES.

The commencement of the University of the City of New-York was held yesterday in the Academy of Music. The auditorium was comfortably filled, the number of white dresses and fluttering fans, bright patches of color and above all the number of pretty, smiling faces, indicated that in their hour of triumph the successful students would receive abundance of applause and congratulations from the source that they appreciated most. Bouquets were given to the orators with great liberality. The Rev. Dr. William M. Taylor of the Broadway Tabernacle presided in the absence of the Rev. Dr. John Hall, the acting Chancellor of the University. With him on the stage were, among others, the Rev. Drs. Howard Crosby, A. R. Thompson, Amasa S. Freeman, J. S. Peck, Charles F. Deems, G. L. Shrancr and E. Hopper; John Taylor Johnston, president of the council, Charles Butler, William Allen Butler, W. A. Wheelock, A. J. Vanderpoel, F. B. Wrightman J. W. C. Leveridge and W. M. Halsted; and of the faculty Professors Johnson Baird Coakley, Gallatin, Brush, Stevenson, Russell and Jaques

ADDRESSES AND ADVICE.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Crosby. The Latin Salutatory oration was then delivered by Carl Henry Lellmann who was rewarded with a generous share of applause and a shower of floral designs. John Dayton Blake chose for the subject of the English salutatory oration the difficult problem of "Poverty and Progress." "Originality" was the subject of Lewis Bayles Payton's Philosophical Oration. Clarence Thwing next delivered an oration on "Philanthropy the Aim of Life," Charles Fletcher Halstead of Harrison, N. Y., delivered a dissertation on "The Futility of Political Theorizing." He was frequently applauded and when he had finished speaking he received a recall in addition to some half dozen bouquets. Amory Thompson Skerry next delivered a dissertation on "Oliver Cromwell." Among the floral designs that he received was a lacrosse stick almost hidden beneath smilax and roses. Thomas Watters spoke for fifteen minutes on "The Permanency of Governments." Alexander Steele Lyman, the valedictorian, selected "Socialism" for his theme. At the close of his oration he delivered the valedictory address, with much tact and grace. Mr. Lyman has stood at the head of every class that he has been in during his college course and took the highest honors in the preparatory school, where he also delivered the valedictory address. Besides his studies in the last two years he has earned $2,000.

Before pronouncing the benediction, Dr. Taylor said: "Remember that in the world it is character that counts, that conscience is the backbone of character and that religion is the soul of conscience. Carry out with courage unflinching the dictates of conscience and I have no fear for your future. If in the coming time you should find room at the top, if you should have great pre-eminence and great success in the world, we rely upon it that you will remember your alma mater and patronize the institution which you have this day eulogized so much."

DEGREES AND PRIZES.

The Degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred upon: John D. Blake, Charles F. Halstead, Carl H. Lellmann, Alexander S. Lyman, Lewis B. Paton, Thomas Watters.

The following received the degree of Bachelor of Science: Homer L. Bartlett, Frederick M. Crossett, Amory T. Skerry, jr., Clarence Thwing, Frank L. Townsend, Henry B. Windsor.

The diploma of Civil Engineer was conferred upon: Homer L. Bartlett, Amory T. Skerry, jr., Frank L. Townsend.

The following received the degree of Master of Arts: Benjamin Ayerigg, jr., Cephas Brainerd, jr., Walter D. Buchanan, Benjamin A. Capwell, George M. Duncan, George H. Hazen, Horace G. Underwood.

The degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred upon John B. Acken, John F. Barbour, Henry T. Boyle, Lucien D. Crane, John F. DeCoster, Francis W. Cowan, Richard B. Cummings, James C. Fitch, Joseph A. Jarrett, John W. Keefe, Jacob S. Mancha, Henry P. Mendes, Charles E. Phillips, Thomas A. Purcell, Henry H. Rusby, Samuel M. Stocker, Henry P. de Voursney, John E. Walker, Bickerton L. Winston.

The First Fellowship was assigned to Alexander S. Lyman; the second to Carl H. Lellman, and the third to John D. Blake.

The Butler Euclean prizes, for the best essays in English composition by members of the Euclean Society, were won by Lewis B. Paton and Amory T. Skerry.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon: The Rev. Messrs. Edward A. Collier, Kinderhook, N. Y.; Josiah E. Kittredge, Genesco, N. Y., and Enoch Sandford, Raynham, Mass.

MEETING OF THE ALUMNI.

The annual meeting of the Alumni Association was held in the council room of University building in the evening. Among those present were Robert R. Crosby, of the Class of '34, and his brother ex-Chancellor Howard Crosby, of the Class of '44; Aaron J. Vanderpoel, president of the association; William W. Stephenson, Austin Abbott, William R Martin, the Rev. Dr. Wilson Phraner, of Sing Sing, Professors Henry M. Baird, Charles R. Brush, J. J. Stevenson and George W. Coakley, Smith E. Lane, Dr. Henry D. Noyes and William A. Wheelock. Mr. Lane reported that during the year the institution had received $50,000 from the will of Julius Hallgarten, $5,000 by the will of Augustus Schell, and $25,000 from a lady who desires that her name should not be disclosed. Mr. Martin announced that the number of books in the law library would soon be doubled; that steps were being taken to provide a large library for the department of Arts and Science; and that the son of Professor Benjamin N. Martin had given 150 volumes of his father's books to the University. Appropriate resolutions with regard to the death of Professors Martin and Spielmann were adopted.

URSULINE FEMALE ACADEMY.

The commencement exercises of the Ursuline Female Academy were witnessed by about 450 people in the chapel of the school, at East Morrisania, yesterday afternoon. They are celebrated publicly only in alternate years. On the platform sat the seventy girls of the academy dressed in white. Among the clergy of the Roman Catholic Church, occupying the front row of seats, were Archbishop Corrigan, Monsignor Preston and Monsignor Quinn. The salutatory was delivered by Miss A. Walsh, and the valedictory by Miss K. Hargrave. In place of the usual orations and recitations there was a drama in five acts, entitled "The Heiress of Elsham Grove." Under the direction of Madame J. Arcom two plain dances were gracefully executed by the younger girls.

Diplomas were given by the Archbishop to the members of the graduating class, five in number: Kate Hargrave, Agnes Walsh, Mary Cavanagh, Ella Brophy and Kate Hawkins. At the close of the exercises a short address was delivered by Archbishop Corrigan.

RUTGERS FEMALE COLLEGE.

The commencement exercises of Rutgers Female College were held last evening in the Madison Avenue Congregational Church, at Madison-ave. and Forty-fifth-st. The platform was completely surrounded by huge baskets of bright flowers, which made a fine setting for the white costumes of the "girl graduates." The degree of B. A. was conferred on Miss Mary Frances Brimelow, Miss Emma Roach, Miss Stella Tallman, and certificates of scholarship on Miss Genevieve Beattie, and Miss Minnie Scott Carrell. The degree of D. D. was conferred on the Rev. Walter W. Hammond, of Philadelphia, and that of M. A. on Miss Bertha Kalish, Miss Caroline Hopkins, principal of the Female Department of Public School No. 42; Almet F. Jenks, Assistant District-Attorney of Kings County, and Richard Kalish, of this city.

EXERCISES IN NEWARK.

The Newark Academy closed for the term yesterday. The graduates receiving diplomas for the classical course were: Frederick L. Drummond, Frederick E. Hodge, Frank W. Pinneo; and for the scientific course: Charles E. Allcock, Alfred B. Johnson and Everett K. Taylor.

The High School held its twenty-third commencement in the Grand Opera House. Among the essays was one by Miss Anna H. Osborne on "An Evening Experience of a Fan." President Goeller of the Board of Education, awarded the diplomas.

EXERCISES AT THE DREW SEMINARY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

CARMEL, N. Y., June 19.—The eighteenth anniversary of the Drew Ladies' Seminary here was celebrated yesterday afternoon in the large reception hall. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Benedict, of Croton Falls. Orations were then delivered by Madaline B. Oakley, on "Heroism"; by May Hooper, on "The Home of Bryant"; by Lilian G. Corse, on "Ideal Womanhood"; and Laura Gowdy, on "The Dream of a Botanist." Miss Evelyn P. Everett played and sang. Ida Bell Everett, after speaking on "Superstitions," delivered the valedictory address.

The Chamberlain prize for general excellence was won by Laura Gowdy. Diplomas were awarded by President George C. Smith upon the graduates, Jennie A. Smith and Ida Bell Everett. The latter also received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Among the 400 visitors were County Judge William Wood, Judge John G. Miller, Assemblyman Harry Clapp, and ex-Assemblyman Samuel H. Everett, of New-York City.

FREEHOLD INSTITUTE.

FREEHOLD, N. J., June 19.—The thirty-ninth annual commencement of the Freehold Institute was held in the Presbyterian Church on the 17th inst. The Rev. J. Wheaton Smith, D. D., of Philadelphia, opened the exercises with prayer, and the Rev. Mr. Cullen, rector of St. Peter's, pronounced the benediction. Dodworth's band furnished the music. The parents and friends of the students from Long Branch, Middletown, Morristown, N. J., Morristown, N. Y., Brooklyn and New-York City were present. Fifty-one boys and young men took part in the exercises, which opened with a declamation in German followed by two declamations in French. About fifty of the students are enrolled in the cadet corps; four of the graduating class enter Princeton; the others are going into business.

GOVERNOR ABBETT AT LONG BRANCH.

LONG BRANCH, June 19.—Governor Abbett delivered the annual address before the Academic Literacy Society of the High school this evening.

GRADUATES AT BORDENTOWN.

BORDENTOWN, June 19.—The thirty-second annual commencement of the Bordentown Female College took place at College Hall, this morning. The following are the graduating class: Gertrude Hamilton Armes, Jersey City; Lottie Boyle, New-Rochelle; Mary Richmond Dickinson, Woodstown; Katharine Merrell Wilson, East Millstone; Mary Wood Pratt, New-York; and Veronica Lidina Souder, Vineland. The following were graduated in music: Belle H. Andrews, Orphelia Johnson, Jennie W. Yotler and Mary Newbold.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

THE INSTITUTION COMPLETES ITS SIXTEENTH YEAR—EXERCISES OF THE DAY.

ITHACA, June 19.—The exercises of the sixteenth commencement of Cornell University were held at Gymnasium Hall on the campus this morning. There is an unusually large attendance of commencement visitors, and a brilliant audience crowded the great hall. Nearly all the trustees, excepting the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, were present. Judge Foraker, who was elected trustee by the Alumni yesterday, was obliged to leave town this morning to carry to Mr. Blaine the formal announcement of his nomination for the Presidency. Cornell has had a large number of Japanese students. One of the most interesting portions of the exercises this morning was the reading of the thesis on Japanese architecture by Yorinaka Tsumaki. The graduating class held its last dinner this evening.

Following was the order of exercises:

Music. The Lord's Prayer.

Oration—Savonarola's and Calvin's City of God, George Ford Ditmars, Ovid Centre.

Thesis in Chemistry—Arsenic in Commercial Products, Clarence Isaac Robinson, Mt. Vision.

Dissertation—The Women of the American Anti-Slavery Conflict, Helen Mar Oakes, Steuben.

Music.

Disquisition—The Mythological View of Nature Revived in Wordsworth, Delbert Harvey Decker, Fulton.

Thesis in Architecture—The Growth of Japanese Architecture, Yorinaka Tsumaki, Tokio, Japan.

Oration—John Quincy Adams in the House of Representatives, Oscar Dillwyn Weed, North Rose.

Music.

Oration—Edmund Burke and the American Revolution, Ernest Wilson Huffcut, Alton.

Thesis in Civil Engineering—The Economics of the American Trans-Isthmian Projects, Daniel Webster Mead, Rockford, Ill.

The Woodford Oration—The Growth of National Consciousness in the American People, Charles Anson Potter, Ithaca.

Music.

Theses receiving honorable mention: The Unwritten Constitution of the United States, Philip Wheelock Ayres, Villa Ridge, Ill.

Personal Influence in Different Stations, Ida Cornell, Central Valley.

Notes on the Early Stages of Some Trichoptera, Harriet Elizabeth Grotecloss, New-York City.

Does the United States need a Navy? James McLoughlin, New-York City.

A Design for a Wrought Iron Bridge, Edward Charles Murphy, Phenix.

Stein and the Anti-Napoleonic Revolution, Henry Jay Patten, Chicago, Ill.

Methods of Aiding Indigent Students, Ernest Emory Russell, Havana.

Profile of High Masonry Dams, Ira Alexander Shaler, New-York City.

The Sturm und Drang Movement in Germany, Harry Laurence Shively, Indianapolis, Ind.

Municipal Suffrage, Charles Monroe Thorp, Oil City, Penn.

Wendell Phillips and the Abolition Movement, Byron Dean Van Ostrand, Marion.

Experiments with an Electric Motor, John Waring, Ovid.

The Preservation of Our Forests, Nelson Ackley Welles, Elmira.

Theses of candidates for second degrees: In Geology—The Serpentine Areas of Staten Island, Hoboken, N. J., and Westchester County, Henry Platt Cushing, B. S.

In Civil Engineering—Design, Specifications and Analysis of a Howe Truss Bridge, Clark Waldo McCrea, B. C. E.

In Ancient Classical Literature—Thucydides' Influence on Demosthenes, Mary Merrill Pipcher, A. B.

In Ancient Classical Literature—The Political Opinions of Isocrates, John Carew Rolfe, A. B.

Special final honors: W. C. Krauss, Attica, Insect Anatomy; H. L. Shively, Indianapolis, Ind., German; A. C. White, A. B., Utica, Greek.

Honors for general excellence: E. N. Bassett, I. Cornell, H. E. Grotecloss, E. W. Huffcut, J. McLoughlin, E. Monroe, E. F. Morse, H. M. Oakes, H. J. Patten, E. E. Russell, I. A. Shaler, H. L. Shively, C. M. Thorp, L. H. Tuthill, Y. Tsumaki, J. Waring, W. L. Webb, O. D. Weed, C. B. Wilson.

Degrees were conferred as follows:

First degrees.—Bachelors of Arts, 8—L. E. Lapham, G. W. Lewis, E. Monroe, H. D. Sibley, L. H. Tuthill, O. D. Weed, T. S. Williams, C. B. Wilson.

Bachelors of Philosophy, 9. In philosophy, 3—E. N. Bassett, D. H. Decker, C. M. Thorp. In history and political science, 6—P. W. Ayres, H. E. Case, H. J. Patten, C. Randolph, E. E. Russell, J. T. Stambaugh.

Bachelors of Science, 31. In science and letters, 27—W. M. Bering, J. B. Burrows, W. F. Cassedy, C. F. Chisholm, F. A. Coles, A. J. Collman, I. Cornell, J. H. Cowles, G. B. Davidson, H. P. De Forest, J. F. Dietz, G. F. Ditmars, F. S. Fish, L. Gambee, J. H. Grotecloss, M. Hettinger, E. W. Huffcut, C. S. Jones, W. C. Krauss, E. Maguire, J. McLoughlin, H. M. Oakes, C. A. Potter, H. L. Shively, E. G. Story, B. D. Van Ostrand, C. J. Walch. In Science.—2. M. R. Kerr, M. E. Spurr.

In Chemistry and Physics.—1. C. I. Robinson.

In Natural History.—1. H. E. Grotecloss.

Bachelors of Agriculture.—2. C. F. Boshart, N. A. Welles.

Bachelor of Architecture.—1. Y. Tsumaki.

Bachelors of Civil Engineering.—7. F. W. Carpenter, C. A. Hasbrouck, W. H. Larned, D. W. Mead, D. C. Murphy, I. A. Shaler, W. I. Webb.

Bachelors of Mechanical Engineering.—3. G. T. Curnow, E. F. F. Morse, J. Waring.

Second Degree—Master of Science.—1. H. P. Cushing, B. S.

Masters of Arts.—2. M. M. Pitcher, A. B., C. W. Rolfe, A. B., Harvard.

Civil Engineer.—1. C. W. McCrea, B. C. E.

Licentiate Certificates of Proficiency—Mechanical Draughting and shop work.—J. N. Wyckoff.

Medical Preparatory.—W. C. Krauss.

THE NEW BUILDING OF ST. STEPHEN'S.

LAYING THE CORNER-STONE AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 19.—A thousand persons assembled upon the campus of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, at noon to-day to participate in the twenty-third annual commencement exercises. A large platform had been erected in the grove in front of the college, and rows of benches and chairs were placed in a semi-circle in front of it, under trees. On the platform were the Right Rev. Dr. Dudley, Bishop of Kentucky, Assistant Bishop Henry C. Potter, of New-York, H. R. Pierson, Chancellor of the University, Warden Fairbairn, of St. Stephen's College, and the alumni, the faculty, the board of trustees and visiting clergymen. The exercises consisted of music and essays. The subjects of the essays were "Deeds, not Words," "Labor-Saving Machines," "The Influence of Conquest," "Progress versus Conservatism," "Ideals" and "Genius and History." The valedictorian was Philip W. Mosher, of Middletown, N. Y. After the commencement exercises the students, preceded by the bishops, warden, faculty and board of trustees and headed by a band, marched to the foundation of a new college building, where the corner stone was laid. The procession then marched to the chapel, where the prizes for the year were awarded as follows:

Metaphysics, Philip W. Mosher, of Middletown, N. Y.; the McVicker prize, $50 in gold for elocution, David B. Connolly, of Albany, N. Y.; Ethics, Philip W. Mosher, of Middletown, N. Y.; Logic, George H. Young, of New-York, and Louis H. Moore, of Boston; Classical Greek, George A. Alcott, of Ansonia, Conn., and Stuart Hamilton, of Lancaster, Penn.; Latin, Edmund C. Bennett, of Rhinebeck, N. Y.; Mathematics, W. I. H. Houghton, of Salt Lake City, Utah, and William Dorwart, of Lancaster, Penn.

After the delivery of the prizes the conferring of degrees followed, the candidates being: For the degree of Bachelor of Arts—William John Clark Agnew, of Brooklyn; Isaac Newton Boyce, of Mamaroneck; Norselman Smith Boardman, of West Troy; Alexander Augustus, of Cairns, N. Y.; David Elmer Conley of Albany; Philip Wheeler Mosher, of Middletown, N. Y.; William Alonzo Swan, jr., of Augusta, Me., Partial course man, Henry Amos Lampson, of Boston; Master of Arts, William H. Morgan, of Whitestone, N. Y.

After the conferring of the degrees the officers of the college, the alumni, and invited guests sat down to dinner in the college dining-hall.

The new building in course of erection is only a section of a large building which, when completed, will be about 400 feet in length, and three stories high. It is to be built of blue-stone, with Ohio sand-stone trimmings. The section referred to will cost $50,000, and it is proposed to build a portion every year until the whole is completed. The students are rapidly leaving for their summer vacation.

FINANCES OF BROWN UNIVERSITY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 19.—The corporation of Brown University met to-day. The annual report of President Robinson shows that the number of students in attendance during the year has been 260. It is expected that ample provision will be made for the study of Spanish and Italian during the coming year, and the report recommends that the number of elective studies be increased. The question of athletic sports, especially of intercollegiate games, is discussed at considerable length by President Robinson, and the grave abuses which have grown up in conducting these games during the few years past are made a matter of special remark.

General A. B. Underwood, J. B. C. Woods and Mortimer H. Hartwell were elected trustees of the corporation. A. B. Chace, the treasurer of the University, presented his annual report, the account being brought down to April 15, 1884, at which date the amount of the funds of the institution was $743,469 66. This sum, by the addition to it of bequests, etc., received since the account was closed, has been increased to not far from $800,000. The real estate of the University has an estimated value of $402,162. The value of the investments and the real estate of the college is reckoned to be nearly $1,150,000. Twenty-six distinct funds make up the sum total of the general fund of the University, the largest of these being the common fund, which is $356,418 44. There are two funds of $50,000 each, the Agricultural and the Newport Rogers Professorship of Chemistry. The Scholarship fund is $70,306 18, the Hazard Professorship of Physics fund $40,931 25, and the Library fund $25,500. Two bequests have been placed to the credit of the common fund—one of $50,000 from the estate of the late Gardner Colby, of Boston, and one of $1,000 from the estate of William Latham, of Bridgewater.

WELLS COLLEGE.

AURURN, June 19.—Wells College, at Aurora, graduated seven young ladies. The address was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Duryea, of Boston. The customary class day exercises were held. Theodore Bacon, of Rochester, was elebted a trustee. The reports showed the college to be in a highly prosperous condition.

ESSAYS AND ORATIONS AT MATAWAN.

The commencement of Glenwood Institute, Matawan, N. J., took place in Washington Hall yesterday. Walter C. Bunn delivered an oration in German on "Das Deutschens Vaterland," Bessie H. Conover of Freehold read an essay on the "Voices of the School-room," and Miss Cassie Whitlock one on "The Sunnyside." The programme was concluded by an oration on "Daniel Webster," by Charles W. Schank.

THE COMMODORE'S RATAPLAN

HOW THE EMPORIUM WAS LOST AND WON.

EXCITING RACES AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY—GEORGE KINNEY, RICHMOND, RATAPLAN, BLUE GRASS BELLE, BOULOTTE AND TOM NAVEN THE WINNERS.

Again at Sheepshead Bay, yesterday, there were big fields of racers, contests that set every pulse throbbing, a great multitude present, and an afternoon filled with sport of rare excellence. When the last race was over the winners flocked to the Coney Island hotels, and millions of bubbles burst in delicate glasses. The losers thought sadly of what might have been as the trains bore them homeward through the placid potato-fields of Long Island. But the soft haze that filled the evening air soon cast a veil over their sorrows and soothed them to resignation. The number of the bereft, however, was immense, and they filled the steamboat Castleton at Bay Ridge till the only place left unoccupied was the interior of the smoke-stack.

Among the small army of club men at the course, the coolest, the most beaming and benignant, was John G. Heckscher. Beneath his summer hat of straw his face was radiant and he scattered smiles everywhere. Even the unfortunate speculator who had just seen the horse that he had backed to win come in last could not resist the contagion of Mr. Heckscher's irresistible cheerfulness, and the curse on his bad luck that was trembling on his lips was broken by a blessing.

James R. Keene's delight in "puts" and "calls" seems to have given way to disgust, and he now haunts the course on every race day, walking about restlessly, his quick, impatient eyes now sweeping the grand stand, now the paddock, now the club-house, and now the track. The change in the name of Frederick Gebhard's colt puzzled every one. The colt is a full brother of Eolus, and was formerly called Eolite. Now he is called Saint Saviour. Some supposed that Mr. Gebhard meant to name him after the Jesuit Church of St. Francis Xavier in West Sixteenth-st., but the young man's well-known familiarity with ecclesiastical history made the supposition a violent one. There was certainly nothing fast about St. Francis Xavier. So after long thought most turfmen drifted into the opinion that Monsignor Capel had caught another convert, that Mr. Gebhard had concluded to re name all his horses and had selected the most sacred name he could think of. The fact that the best race-horse in England is named Saint Simon may have been another reason for his canonizing his colt. But Saint Saviour is not the best colt in America by any means. Arthur Hunter is now engaged in investigating the subject of saints' names for horses, and has already accumulated an extensive library of the Early Fathers for purposes of research.

Saint Saviour had run a fast trial, and Mr. Gebhard's friends were confident that he would win the Emporium. But Knight of Ellerslie was much fancied for his fine running in the Belmont Stakes at Jerome Park. So the bulk of the betting in the great race was on those two colts, though the familiars of Major Hubbard, the manager of Commodore Kittson's stable, got word that Rataplan was little inferior to the champion of the stable, Panique, whom the Dwyers had bought for $14,000. Therefore Rataplan did not lack supporters. And a merry drum-beat Rataplan gave them all. Saint Saviour could not rival his rattle at the end, while Knight of Ellerslie could not handle the weight that he was required to give the others. The Dwyers were sorry that they had not bought Rataplan as well as Panique. Knight of Ellerslie can hardly be in the first class after all. There never has been a year in which the relative merits of American three-year-olds were harder to determine.

The richest prize of the day then went to Commodore Kittson, and greatly did the many friends of the liberal owner and the true-hearted, sagacious manager rejoice.

Of the other races the Dwyers won two, the opening dash of a mile, with George Kinney, and the two-year-old race with Richmond, son of Virgil and Alert. Strathspey put George Kinney to his best trump and McLaughlin was forced to whip the great colt unsparingly. In Richmond the Dwyers have a good colt, no marvel but yet a treasure. He has improved greatly and his success was easy. W. L. Scott's stanch mare Blue Grass Belle, outran Barnes in the handicap of 1¾ miles, none of the others having any chance. Mr. Lawrence has done some excellent handicapping this year, but it is hard to get such horses as Monk, Gonfalon, Girofla, Trafalgar, Jim Nelson and Chanticleer on an equality with such as Barnes and the Belle at any weights that owners will accept. Barnes carried his 124 pounds handsomely until the real struggle came, when he would not stand to his task. He runs in a good now, and seems far less resolute than he was last year.

Brighton Beach was first and several in the selling rose with Boulotte and Cathcart.

In the steeplechase Patrick Maney, who rode Rose, grew retrospective in the homestretch, and his big heart beat benevolently for Tom Naven. The way in which he gave that race to Thomas N. was one of the finest examples of charity ever seen on a race-track. But it is well known that steeplechases are run solely for the encouragement of good deeds of that sort.

The track was in fine condition, and fast time was made. Rataplan's victory was the only genuine surprise of the day, favorites or second choices winning the other races.

THE RACING IN DETAIL.

First Race.—One mile, special weights, purse $500. Six ran—P. Lorillard's Breeze (4 years, 96 pounds, ridden by Onley); W. Donohue's Strathspey (6, 115, Donohue); D. D. Withers's Duplex (5, 112, McKenny); Dwyer Brothers' George Kinney (4, 111, McLaughlin); E. Heffner's Markland (4, 101, Walker); Ryan's Caramel (4, 96, Purcell). Betting in the books—George Kinney 3 to 5, Strathspey 3 to 1, Breeze 6 to 1, Duplex 8 to 1, Markland 20 to 1, Caramel 50 to 1. Auction pool—George Kinney $50, Strathspey $20, Breeze $10, field $15. Markland was first off. Breeze second, Strathspey third, George Kinney and Duplex behind. Markland was allowed to lead for five furlongs, when George Kinney and Strathspey moved up. The favorite did not run boldly, and a quarter of a mile from home McLaughlin was using the whip. George Kinney swerved badly at the head of the homestretch and Strathspey reached his head, but under the desperate driving and lashing of McLaughlin he left Strathspey in the last furlong, winning by three lengths in the fast time of 1:41¾. Strathspey second, six lengths before Duplex, Caramel fourth, a length behind Duplex. Breeze and Markland were pulled up when it was certain that they had no chance. Mutual pools $8 65.

In the next race the youngsters had a chance to show their mettle over three-quarters of a mile in a sweepstakes of $25 each, $630 added, $150 to second, special weight conditions. Nine ran—Ehler's Florence E. (102, Fisher), Keiso's Mystic (105, Donohue), G. L. Lorillard's St. Augustine (105, Brennan), Kittson's Purlee (105, Sheridan), Dwyers' Richmond (110, McLaughlin), Scott's Krishna (105, Lewis), Kelly's Heliotrope colt (105, Dunn), Burch's Telie Doe (112, Maynard), P. Lorillard's Exile (105, Onley). Betting: Books—Richmond 11 to 5, Telie Doe 5 to 1, Heliotrope colt 5 to 1, Pardee 6 to 1, Exile 6 to 1, Krishna 15 to 1, Florence E. 15 to 1, Mystic and St. Augustine 20 to 1. Auction pools—Richmond $80, Telie Doe $30, Pardee $50, Krishna $35, Heliotrope colt $30, field $70.

Richmond led at the start, with the Heliotrope colt, Telie Doe and Florence E. well up. After hurrying the others for a hundred yards McLaughlin pulled back Richmond for the final struggle. Then the Heliotrope colt led to the homestretch, where he surrendered, and Richmond resumed the lead. Exile challenged him, but could not stay, and Richmond won by three lengths in 1:16, Exile second, three lengths before the Heliotrope colt, Pardee fourth, Telie Doe fifth, Krishna sixth, Florence E. seventh, Mystic eighth, and St. Augustine last. Mutual pools $15 60.

Now came the great Emporium Stakes for three-year-olds, $150 each, $75 forfeit, but with declaration conditions, $5,000 added; $1,000 and twenty per cent of stakes to second; $500 and ten per cent of stakes to third; special weight conditions; distance 1½ miles. For this