

A MEETING OF COLLEGE WOMEN. BUSINESS AND PLEASURE MINGLED—INTERESTING PAPERS AND A PLEASANT PROGRAMME.

The semi-annual Alumnae Association of New York, Brooklyn and vicinity was held on Saturday at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Over one hundred women were present, with President Miss M. A. Brigham in the chair. According to their usual custom, a portion of the time was taken up with a programme, consisting of music, papers prepared upon different subjects, recitations and letters.

Miss Julia H. Farwell read a paper on "Greek and Latin," showing the influence of those languages upon all modern languages and literature, and the importance of these in education. Miss A. C. Colton narrated her experiences in a journey to South Hadley in June, when she attended the meeting of the National Alumnae Association. Miss E. C. Parsons read a letter from Dr. Tyler, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Mount Holyoke Seminary and College, giving information in regard to the future of the new college. Miss P. W. Halbert read the usual letter from Miss Dowers, of the seminary, narrating the work of six months in her school. Mrs. E. C. Atwell read an interesting paper on "The Princess Ten Years After." The paper aroused much enthusiasm.

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The Rev. Dr. Robert Collier preached a sermon on "Robert Elsmere" yesterday morning, making use of the words "From faith to faith" as a text. Some of the things which he said were: "The book was written by a woman out of her whole heart and mind. It is no work of the imagination, but a work of the intellect. The first part of the story is an interconversion mark; then come the doubts, and finally the denial, and most certainly it is a narrative of the experience of the writer, a good, honest soul. I feel much drawn to the book because it is the confession of a living soul, and at least her idea of what she would do if she were a man. She is a brave woman and dares to speak out with her whole heart and mind. And, again, I cannot divorce myself of the idea that I have seen Robert Elsmere—at any rate, the perfect image of the man."

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GLANCES HERE AND THERE.

A SILLY AND ABUNDANT SUPERSTITION PREVAILS AMONG THE COOKS AND HOUSEMAIDS IN THE TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

THE OFFICIAL COUNT IN NEW-JERSEY. RETURNS ALL IN—IN THE LEGISLATURE TO MODIFY THE DEMOCRATIC EFFECT.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 18.—The official returns of the election are all in and will be examined and declared by the State Canvassers on the 27th. The canvassers, Senators West, Edwards and Baker (Dem.), and Nevins and Roe (Rep.), with the Governor, perform their duty in one afternoon, but the clerks of the Secretary of State will take a week in verifying the figures. Cleveland's plurality is 6,000 or less than a majority. The total vote was 300,000, an increase of 40,000 over 1884. The Democrats got 200,000 of 40,000. The Republicans 100,000, and the Prohibitionists 100,000. The Prohibition loss from 1886 is over ten thousand, and it sustains the belief that the liquor legislation of last winter would carry confusion into the ranks of the Third party. The increase in the total vote is principally in the cities, and indicates large accessions to the population since the census of 1850. On the vote for Congressmen, the Democratic plurality is only 2,750. The figures confirm the belief that the High License County Option law lost the Democratic vote in South Jersey and gained it in North Jersey in still larger proportion. The pluralities given Fowler (Dem.) in the 14th Congressional District is 42. It is charged that the returns have been "doctored," and the character of the candidate's backers justify the Republicans in demanding a thorough investigation.

The amount of work laid out for the Democratic Legislature is sufficient to appal the stoutest legislative heart. The schemes for party legislation are innumerable and have the support of some of the party leaders. The probability of their success depends so much upon the result of the senatorial contest that nothing can be predicted upon the plan that seems to meet with the most approval. The plan that seems to meet with the most approval is the plan of the State's Assembly Districts. This has been attempted before without waiting for the decennial reapportionment, and it is not probable that the Democratic Legislature could carry it out with confidence and calmness. The danger of attempting a repeal of the liquor law is fully understood by the Democratic managers, and they are not likely to attempt it. They will be carefully guarded. The Senate struggle opens with ex-Governor Abbott's declaration of war against Senator McClellan. The latter has maintained silence. Mr. Pierson and Abbott both enter the chances of either succeeding will be decreased. Prosecutor Charles A. Winfield, of Hudson, is a candidate and has held out for the nomination.

The Newark Free Library Commissioners have leased the new building erected by the Newark Board of Education for the purpose of a library. The argument before the Supreme Court on the right of the Governor to appoint and remove the Justices of the Peace is being argued in the Supreme Court. The case is being argued by the State and by the Justices of the Peace. The case is being argued by the State and by the Justices of the Peace. The case is being argued by the State and by the Justices of the Peace.

THE VOTE IN CONNECTICUT. WHAT THE ANALYSIS SHOWS—ASPIRANTS FOR THE BENCH.

Hartford, Nov. 18.—The analysis of the vote in Connecticut shows some encouraging features to Republicans, although they missed carrying the State for the National ticket by 554 votes. The Republican candidate for Governor, George S. Messersmith, carried the State by a large majority. The Republican candidate for Governor, George S. Messersmith, carried the State by a large majority. The Republican candidate for Governor, George S. Messersmith, carried the State by a large majority.

COMBINING AGAIN THE BEEF TRUST. St. Louis, Nov. 18 (Special).—The Chicago dressed beef syndicate will be subjected to some hard blows in the coming week. Beginning with to-morrow the International Range Association and the National Butchers' Protective Association will hold a joint convention and the Senate Investigating Committee will begin work on the dressed beef question.

THE REBUILDING OF WELLS COLLEGE. The plans of the new building were drawn in this city by Mr. Miller, an architect, who was engaged by the trustees of the college. The building is to be a large one, and will be a very fine one. The building is to be a large one, and will be a very fine one.

TALK ABOUT PRINCETON'S VICTORY. The news of Princeton's victory over Harvard was received here with great enthusiasm by Princeton men, and they are looking forward with great interest to the game with Yale. Princeton's stock is being bought up by the public, and the game is being looked forward to with great interest.

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