# AMONG THE COLLEGES.

## HARVARD.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 5.—The all-absorbing topic at Harvard last week has been the French play, "Athlie." The scenery for the play is now all in place, and seats are going rapidly. Friday evening occurred the dress rehearsal, which was given especially for schools. Invitations have also been issued to college presidents, professors and instructors and to several notable men for the first public performance on Monday evening, December 6.

The official figures of the enrolment in all departments of Harvard University show that each State in the Union and fourteen foreign countries have sent students to Cambridge. The grand total of the University is 3,803, divided among the various departments as follows: College, 1,894; scientific school, 406; graduate school, 274; divinity school, 39; law school, 544; medical school, 563; dental school, 130; veterinary school, 33; Bussey institution, 19.

The project of erecting a building in memory of Phillips Brooks has now assumed definite shape, and only the execution of the plans remains. The suggestion of commemorating the life and work of Bishop Brooks was first brought before the University soon after his death, in 1893, and, although the movement has been heartily sustained by the University at large, it has been impossible until the present time for any definite action to be taken. The building will be in line with Holworthy and parallel to Holden Chapel. The architectural design will harmonize with the surrounding buildings, and when completed will be an ornament to the college grounds. Thus far $50,000 has been appropriated for its erection, and it is the hope of the committee that after its completion an endowment will be left to insure general improvements when necessary. It is the intention of the committee in charge to build it four stories high and of brick, with stone trimmings. The upper story is to be a hall, with the capacity of seating two hundred and fifty persons. The lower stories will be divided into reception rooms and apartments for the meetings of the different religious societies. There will be two entrances in the centre of the building, one opening on the street and the other on the yard. The object of the undertaking is to make this memorial the centre not merely of intellectual instruction, but of general hospitable influences. The committee which has the memorial in charge is made up as follows: Robert Treat Paine, 55, chairman; Professor Francis G. Peabody, '69; Edwin H. Abbott, '55; Professor George H. Palmer, '64; the Rev. George A. Gordon, '81, and the Rev. E. Winchester Donald, D. D., of Trinity Church, Boston.

There has been no little agitation during the last few days over the coming class elections. It has been the habit in past years, at least so rumor has it, for society men to "stuff" the ballot-box in order to secure the election of their ticket. The present movement for the adoption of the Australian system has been with the sole view of doing away with all such chances of fraud. At the senior class meeting Thursday evening, after a hot discussion, the following vote was taken and passed: Nominations for class day officers to be made public; balloting to be made secret; elections to be open during the whole day.

Last week F. Marion Crawford gave a most interesting lecture in Sanders Theatre on "Leo XIII in the Vatican." Mr. Crawford is a Catholic, and intimately acquainted with the Papal household. This is the third of the series of four lectures and readings given by the Cantabrigia Club for the benefit of the Radcliffe scholarship.

The Gray collection of engravings in the upper gallery of the Fogg Art Museum is now fully prepared for use. Visitors who may desire to examine engravings not displayed in the exhibition cases may have access to those in the storage cases.

The Peabody Museum has just received, through the kindness of E. G. Squier, two original drawings in sepia of two old idols or images now standing among the ruins in Copan, Central America. They are the originals of plates Nos. 1 and 2 of Frederick Catherwood's folio publication on the ancient monuments of Central America, published in London in 1844, and were made by him from his sketches of the ruins of Copan in 1839. The casts of these idols are now on exhibition in the museum. The pictures are not only of scientific accuracy, but of great historic and artistic value.

The prospects of the Fencing Club for this year are bright, as, with the exception of A. G. Thatcher, '97, all the members of last year's intercollegiate team are in college, and there is also much promising new material for the team. The intercollegiate championship of the United States will probably be held in Boston this year, as the New-England division of the Amateur Fencers' League has been revived, and has now a membership of over fifty. In addition to this tournament the New-England championship will be held in Boston, as usual.

The library will soon have a valuable addition in the form of a general Spanish encyclopædia. This elaborate work, comprising twenty-five volumes, is the largest and most complete ever published. Thus far twenty volumes have been finished.

The income of the fund of $1,100, set aside for the purchase of English classics for the Child Memorial Library has recently been used in adding to the collection of books the complete works of Thackeray, Defoe, Southey and Dickens. It is the intention of the management to make this library exclusively one in English works.

The Harvard Christian Association has been more active and philanthropic in its work this year than ever. An active interest has also been taken in the Boston missions. Five Harvard men have conducted prayer-meetings at the Industrial Home, in Davis-st., while seven others have been teaching in a Chinese Sunday-school at Beacon and Somerset sts. Four members of the association are working among the sailors on T Wharf. At present the association is trying to interest more men in the Sailor Mission, and expects that some of its members will assist in the work at the North End Mission. Delegates will be sent to the preparatory schools, as was done last year. The members of the Christian Association at present number 153. Of the fifty-six new members added this year twenty-seven are from the freshman class.

## UNION.

Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 5.—President Raymond is in receipt of a letter from ex-Governor Alonzo B. Cornell, announcing a gift to the college library of bound volumes of "The New-York Daily Times" from 1860 to date.

The first junior hop of the season was held on Friday evening in Yates's boathouse. It was decided by the Junior Dance Committee to give a series of hops this year, instead of the annual promenade.

This will be the last recitation week of the fall term, next week being devoted to final examinations. College will close on the 15th inst. for the holidays, to reopen on January 4.

The musical organizations will begin their season in this city next Friday night, in the Van Curler Opera House. During the holidays the clubs will visit Buffalo and intermediate points, and will later appear in New-York.

The tenth annual reunion and banquet of the Union College Alumni Association of New-York will take place on Thursday evening, December 9, at the Savoy.

Immediately after the victorious game with Hobart, which closed Union's football season, the team proceeded to the chapel, where next year's captain was elected. The selection was a unanimous one for William J. Smith, '99, of Waterford. He has played quarterback on the team for three years, and has proved himself an excellent man for the place.

## BRYN MAWR.

Bryn Mawr, Penn., Dec. 5.—John Jay Chapman spoke to the Philosophical Club Tuesday night on "The Relation Between Public and Private Opinion," and the address was in reality a discussion of the recent election in New York.

The Rev. Amory Bradford, of Montclair, preached this week at the Wednesday evening meeting. Bishop Potter is to be the next speaker in the chapel.

James Wood, of Mount Kisco, N. Y., a trustee of the college, gave the first of his three lectures on Thursday afternoon. He spoke on "The Development of Doctrine in the Progress of the Protestant Reformation in England." The other two lectures will be on "The Rise of the Society of Friends and Its Distinguishing Doctrines" and "The Practical Results of Quakerism." They will be given December 9 and 16.

## SYRACUSE.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Professor John Van Dyne, M. D., has just presented to the library of the College of Medicine a valuable set of books. It consists of forty-five volumes of the annuals of the universal medical sciences, which include the work of two hundred corresponding and seventy associate editors.

J. J. Belden has just sent to the library of the University about fifteen hundred volumes of Government reports of great value. They include documentary records of the Civil War and reports of the Geodetic and Geological surveys.

At a meeting of the new University Glee Club last week K. D. Wood, '00, was chosen leader.

The football game between the freshmen and sophomores to determine whether the former should carry canes this year was played at the close of the regular season. As nearly all of the players of the two teams were in either the first or second team of the University, the game was unusually good this year. For fully fifteen minutes after the kick-off the ball was not advanced more than ten yards in either direction from the place where it was first down. The whole game was close, ending in a score of 6 to 4 in favor of the freshmen. To celebrate their victory a large number of the class went that evening to hear Joseph Jefferson, and then closed the day with an informal banquet.

The Athletic Committee appointed to arrange with Coach Wade for the coming year have completed an arrangement whereby he is to coach the track team next spring, and then return in the fall to coach the football team. This is especially pleasing to both teams, as Mr. Wade has won the confidence of all the students. After the last football game the team re-elected H. A. Oday captain for the coming year.

## AMHERST.

Amherst, Mass., Dec. 5.—One of the most interesting evenings of the term was given by the English Department on last Friday, when Gerald Stanley Lee gave an enjoyable talk to the students on "The Rise of Rudyard Kipling."

Henry P. Kendall, of Walpole, of the class of '99, was elected captain of the football team for next season.

The annual meeting of the trustees of the college was held at Springfield last Thursday. Although the question of the presidency was fully discussed, no action was taken, and it is therefore probable that no change in the administration will take place during the coming year. However, a committee was appointed "on the Needs of the College," which committee is supposed to be appointed for the purpose of looking into the situation regarding the administration. The most important action of the meeting was the acceptance of the resignation of G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester, as treasurer of the college, and the election of J. W. Fairbanks, '66, of Templeton, to take his place. The treasurer's report showed the college to be in excellent financial condition, and that the income has been increasing steadily during the last few years. Mr. Whitcomb has been the treasurer of the college since the death of Mr. Dickinson, two years ago, but his business interests make it necessary for him to resign. Mr. Fairbanks will take office in February. President Gates announces that the establishment of a department of music is under consideration, and it is probable that in a short time this department will be opened. This question has been agitated for a long time by the students.

A bequest for a site for a new astronomical observatory has been received, and new apparatus will soon be purchased by the Department of Astronomy.

## YALE.

New-Haven, Conn., Dec. 5.—The two important events of the week have been the Harvard debate and the rowing challenge to Cornell. The victory over Harvard for the third consecutive time is a source of considerable satisfaction, when it is remembered that Harvard won just as regularly from Yale a few years ago. The turning of the tables shows the position which debating holds at Yale to-day, as well as the permanency of the revival of three years ago. The contest itself brought forth some of the best speaking that has yet been heard in intercollegiate debate, and was marked throughout by the excellence of rebuttal.

The rowing challenge to Cornell expresses exactly the sentiment of the student body. Yale challenges Cornell to a four-mile race between the University crews at New-London some time next June, the date to be reckoned from the day set for the Yale-Harvard event. Yale would prefer a triangular race, including Harvard, Cornell and Yale, but defers to Cornell's objection to a triangular race at New-London. As Mr. Cook and Captain Whitney are both in favor of the New-London course and very much opposed to the Poughkeepsie course, two races at New-London—one with Harvard and the other with Cornell—seem to be the natural solution of the problem. Yale is utterly opposed to the Poughkeepsie course. Cornell's predisposition to a triangular race at Poughkeepsie may take precedence in the negotiations, however, owing to Yale's extreme desire to race with Cornell this year at any cost. The latter's obligations to Columbia and Pennsylvania are appreciated, which might entail the perhaps unfair arrangement of one race for Cornell at Poughkeepsie with Columbia and Pennsylvania, who do not wish to row at New-London, and another race with Yale at New-London, who has found the Poughkeepsie course disadvantageous in every particular. In this case, also, Cornell could not meet Harvard without rowing three races. The perplexing point is thus the question of courses entirely. The New-London course is at present being improved by the Board of Trade, which is removing all eel grass and widening the course.

The Yale golf team has chosen Roderick Terry, jr., '98, as captain for the ensuing year, and John Reid, jr., '98, as vice-captain. The University championship tournament has been won by Reid, whose name is in consequence engraved on the new golf trophy. The University football management has decided to award the privilege of wearing their class numerals to the senior class football team, which made so good a showing in the interclass championship series this fall, in tieing '01 in the finals.

The annual academic catalogue, which has just appeared, shows the interesting fact that this year the number of weeks in the college year is one less than last. The fall term also ends a week later and the spring recess begins a week earlier than last year. The following new names appear among the faculty and other instructors of this department: Alvin H. Richardson, Ph. D., assistant professor of history; Charles W. L. Johnson, Ph. D., instructor in Greek; Herbert E. Hawkes, B. A., instructor in mathematics; William B. Bailey, Ph. D., assistant in political economy; James W. Broatch, B. A., assistant in English; Edward D. Collins, B. A., assistant in History; Arthur W. Rolfe, B. A., assistant in the Sloane Laboratory; John M. Gaines, B. A., assistant in political economy; Edson F. Gallaudet, Ph. D., instructor in physics; Herbert E. Gregory, B. A., laboratory assistant in biology; Charles D. Ingham, Ph. D., instructor in Latin; William C. Marshall, M. E., instructor in drawing and descriptive geometry; Lafayette B. Mendel, Ph. D., assistant professor of physiological chemistry; George K. Olmstead, assistant in political economy; Willard G. Van Name, B. A., assistant in the biological laboratory; Claude F. Walker, Ph. D., assistant in chemistry, and Chauncey W. Wells, B. A., instructor in rhetoric.

The University, through its counsel, Bristol, Stoddard & Bristol, filed on Wednesday its reasons for appeal from the decision of the Board of Relief, which decided that dormitories of the University rented to students were liable to taxation. It is understood that the case will come to trial at once, both parties being anxious that the matter should be settled. The distinction drawn between land held and improved for the use of the college and its students, and not for business purposes, is the main point of the appeal.

The management of the University Glee and Banjo clubs has announced the following itinerary for the Christmas trip: Wednesday, December 22, Brooklyn; Thursday, December 23, Philadelphia; Friday, December 24, Pittsburg; Saturday, December 25, Louisville; Monday, December 27, Kansas City; Tuesday, December 28, St. Joseph; Thursday, December 30, Colorado Springs; Friday, December 31, Denver; Saturday, January 1, Denver; Monday, January 3, Minneapolis; Tuesday, January 4, St. Paul; Wednesday, January 5, Chicago; Friday, January 7, Cleveland; Saturday, January 8, Buffalo. The concert in Pittsburg will be given in conjunction with the Princeton Glee Club.

The final round of the University chess tournament to select Yale's representatives for the intercollegiate chess tournament, which is to be held at the Columbia Grammar School, New-York City, from December 27 to January 4, was finished on Thursday, and resulted in the choice of W. M. Murdoch, '98, S., and L. A. Cook, '00. The substitutes will be J. C. Pickett, '99, and H. Logan, '00.

The last of the series of paper chases was run off on Thursday afternoon. The scores of the four men who won the most points in the whole series are as follows: C. P. Spitzer, '99, 21; A. H. Richardson, '01, 16; J. W. Falls, '00, S., 15; N. B. Beecher, '98, 10. Spitzer is thus the winner of the cup offered by Captain Perkins of the track team at the beginning of the season.

The remaining lectures in the Leonard Bacon course have been fixed as follows, with appropriate dates: Early part of December, the Rev. Russell H. Conwell, of Philadelphia; latter part of December, the Rev. Gilbert Reid, of China; early part of January, Bishop Henry C. Potter, of New-York City; latter part of January, the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Thompson, of New-York City; early part of February, the Rev. Dr. John Henry Barrows, of Chicago; early part of March, Professor William N. Clark, of Colgate University; April, the Rev. Dr. George A. Gordon, of Boston.

"The Yale Banner" for 1897-'98 will appear on December 15, and is edited by F. M. Gilbert, '98, and H. W. Hincks, '98. The frontispiece of this year's "Banner" is a photograph of President Dwight. Some special features will be the photograph of Captain Rodgers, the group picture of the football coaches this fall, and the pictures of both this and last year's Glee and Banjo clubs.

R. M. Crosby, '98, has done the drawing for the volume. It will contain about four hundred pages, or about seventy pages more than last year's, and will be bound in crimson, and stamped in silver with an entirely new design. The contents and division of the book will be much the same as last year.

## MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Boston, Mass., Dec. 5.—The continued illness of Professor Charles F. A. Currier, of the Department of History, has led to the engagement of Professor S. M. Macvane and of C. T. Wentworth, of Harvard, for the delivery of courses of lectures in comparative, political and European history at the Institute. Professor Arlo Bates, of the Institute, is at the same time giving at Harvard a course in "Advanced English Composition."

This year the faculty has added to the required studies of the course in electrical engineering lectures on the "Economics of Corporations," to be given by Professor Dewey, dealing with the changing conditions in the industrial world.

The next number of "The Technology Quarterly" will give Part VIII of the "Results of Tests," made in the engineering laboratories of the Institute of Technology. The complete set includes duty tests performed by members of the courses in mechanical, electrical and chemical engineering and naval architecture on the pumping engine at Chestnut Hill, on the plant of the West End Street Railway at Charlestown, on the new boilers in the Engineering Building and on the Babcock and Wilcox boilers in the Rogers' Building, recently equipped with Hawley furnaces. In addition there are various tests on the efficiency of hydraulic and steam apparatus and on the strength of materials. These tests are performed by members of all the engineering courses; the articles tested are the full-sized pieces used in actual practice, and the results are therefore of real value to the engineer, architect or designer.

## HAVERFORD.

Haverford, Penn., Dec. 5.—The Board of Managers has established sixteen new scholarships, of the annual value of $300 each. These are to be known as "corporation scholarships," and are to be awarded on competitive examination. No condition is attached to them, except the possession of general good character, and, once won, they will be tenable for the four years of the college course. Five of them will be offered at the entrance examination in June, 1898, and there will be not less than four vacancies each year.

The Hockey Club has been reorganized, and W. A. Battey, '99, of Providence, elected captain.

The sophomore entertainment set for December 22 is to take the form of an original play. The playwright is Grayson M. P. Murphy, '00.

## RADCLIFFE.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 5.—On Tuesday evening an unusually large audience attended the third of the chamber concerts given by the Kneisel Quartet at Sander's Theatre. The soloist was Carl Baerman, of Newton.

The English Club held an enjoyable extra meeting on Friday evening. Professor Charles Eliott Norton read to the girls from the poems of Matthew Arnold. Many of the old members of the club were present, as were also a number of the officers of the college, including Miss Irwin and Miss Coes.

The next meeting of the Philosophy Club will be held with Miss Edith Mareau. Professor Münsterberg will address the club.

The freshman class have chosen for their officers this year: President, Miss L. Slessinger; vice-president, Miss L. W. Seaver; secretary, Miss L. Leonard; treasurer, Miss N. G. Vinal.

The Idler Club gave its first play of the season on Friday afternoon.

The German Club spent a delightful afternoon last week at the home of Mrs. Howard, in Hilliard-st. A talk on the life and works of Gustav Freytag occupied most of the afternoon.

The graduates were "at home" to their friends on Thursday afternoon in Vaughn House.

The dress rehearsal of the French play "Athalie," on Friday evening, was an entire success. Extensive preparations have been made for the three performances which are to be given on the evenings of December 6, 8 and 10. Not only the actors but the managers deserve great credit, and especially Professor De Sumicrast, through whose interest and untiring efforts so much has been accomplished. On Thursday afternoon Professor Sumicrast gave a lecture at Sanders Theatre on Racine's "Athalie."

## PRINCETON.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 5.—The '99 "Bric-à-Brac" was put on sale this week, fully ten days in advance of schedule time. The book is by far the best annual yet issued at Princeton, and is a decided improvement over the efforts of former years. In addition to the usual athletic and other cuts, there are a number of new views of the campus and general subjects well known in the campus life here. The frontispiece is a cut of Professor W. F. Magie. The following men constituted the Board of Editors: George K. Reed, editor-in-chief; R. H. A. Carter, R. S. Davis, C. Y. Freeman, S. C. Huey, O. D. Kellogg, J. N. Kinney, H. B. Lewis, S. R. Martin, Mark Moody, R. W. Smith, F. C. Voorhies.

Among the various donations to the University Library during the last week the most extensive one, the gift of 403 volumes by G. A. Armour, class of '77, is of especial interest on account of its quality, as well as quantity. All the books are of first-class literary value, and many of them of peculiar value on account of binding and rarity. No less than fifty volumes are bound by Matthews, Pratt & Bedford.

All candidates for the gymnasium team have been called out for daily practice. Regular practice will be held now until the end of the indoor season. A joint exhibition with the Yale team will be held in the Princeton gymnasium some time during the winter. It is likely that Princeton will have an especially strong team this winter, as nearly all the members of last year are still in college. The following old men will try for places on the team: Beymer '98; Pitkin, '98; Bannard, '98; Stevenson, '99; Langenberg, '99; Austin, '00; Evans, '00; Wheeler, '00, and Holt, '00. Preliminary exhibitions will be given in a number of Eastern cities.

On Thursday evening the Trenton Alumni Association held its annual banquet in the Trenton House. There were about one hundred Princeton men and their friends present. The principal speakers of the evening were President Patton, Professor Woodrow Wilson, Professor Andrew F. West, the Rev. Wilton Merle Smith and John W. Cadwalader. A quartet from the University Glee Club was present.

The University has received from Dr. De Witt, of the Seminary, an interesting gift, Daniel Webster's copy of Ainsworth's Latin Dictionary. It was purchased in Boston about twenty years ago at the sale of Webster's library.

A few of the most important baseball games for the spring have already been arranged by Manager Wilson. About thirty games will be played during the season, three with Yale, three with Harvard, two with Brown and two with Cornell being the most important. In addition, the team will take a long Southern trip during the Easter recess. It has not been fully decided who will be the regular coach for the coming season.

The '97 championship baseball banner has arrived and has been placed in the trophy house of Osborn Athletic Club. It contains the names of all the men who played against Yale and Harvard last spring and the scores of the games.

The following men composed the Princeton Gun Club in the shoot against Yale on Saturday: Paine, '98, captain; Brower, '98; Kendal, '99; Chidester, '99, and Young, '99.

The musical clubs gave a concert at Lawrenceville School on Wednesday evening, which was a successful affair.

Arthur Griggs, a son of Governor Griggs of New-Jersey, has been elected captain of the Lawrenceville School football team.

## LAFAYETTE

Easton, Penn., Dec. 5.—The approach of examinations occasions a renewal of the arguments faintly heard in past years advocating the introduction at Lafayette of the honor system of examination. The old-style espionage now chiefly in vogue here is much out of favor, and the fact that so many of the better class of colleges have adopted the honor system is one of the strong new points advanced in advocacy of the change here.

The football season being over, the grandstand has been removed, preparatory to putting the grounds in winter quarters and in readiness for the baseball season. The football grandstand has to be removed during the baseball games.

The freshmen class has elected these officers: President, Weaver; vice-president, Slattery; secretary, Streeter; treasurer, Weber; marshal, Howard; first lieutenant, J. A. Wilson; second lieutenant, Bair; historian, McDermott; coal commissioner, Ilie.

Professor Hart is off on a four weeks' trip to Mexico.

## ELMIRA.

Elmira, N. Y., Dec. 5.—As Thanksgiving was the only holiday at the college last week, few of the students left Elmira. In the evening Dr. Forbes, in the role of college magician, entertained the students and their friends from the city with some clever tricks.

On Thursday evening the seniors assembled in Senior Hall and celebrated the opening of the Sibyl Box, bequeathed by '97. This is one of the solemn rites performed by the class in secret, and is an important occurrence in the senior year.

Dr. Cowles, president emeritus of the college, gave a valuable talk on the Madonnas before Kappa Sigma and Phi Mu societies on Friday evening. Dr. Cowles is well known for his extensive knowledge of art.

The College Settlement Association is busy preparing for a sale of needlework on Tuesday afternoon. The proceeds of the sale will be sent to some settlement.

## WELLESLEY.

Wellesley, Mass., Dec. 5.—President Andrews of Brown University spoke in the current topics course yesterday afternoon on "Problems in Contemporary European Politics."

The officers of the Christian Association this year are: Miss Frances Eleanor Brooks, chairman; Miss Locke, faculty member; Miss Maude Clarke, member for juniors; Miss Hannah Hume, sophomore; Miss Louise Tyler, freshman, and Miss Alice Harding, student volunteer member. The association meets on the first Sunday evening of each month, when a talk is given by some invited home or foreign missionary worker, and an average sum of $1,000 is raised each year for the support of Dr. Julia Bissell, a missionary in India.

Professor Frances E. Lord, who last summer resigned her position as head of the Latin department at Wellesley, has accepted the place of professor of Latin in Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla. Dr. Eliza Ritchie, of the philosophy department, has been called to her home in the provinces by illness, and her place is being filled by Miss Puffer, assistant in the psychological laboratory at Harvard College.

An interesting lecture on "Opportunities for Women's Work in Astronomy" was given at the last meeting of the Boston College Club by Miss Annie J. Cannon (Wellesley, '84), who is working this year at the Harvard Observatory.

Miss Leila S. McKee, Wellesley, '86, has been elected president of the Western College, Oxford, Ky. Miss Louise Taylor, '96, has an appointment as assistant in the animal pathological laboratory of the Agricultural Department in Washington, D. C. Miss Rosina D. Rowe, a former special student, has recently been made principal of the Training School for Christian Workers in New-York City. Miss Florence Converse, '92, is the author of a new novel, "Diana Victrix," published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

The college "Legenda" for '97 has recently been published by the class of '98. Miss Mabel M. Young is editor-in-chief, Miss Mary W. Loughridge assistant editor, and Misses Eliza P. Craig and Mary Finlay business managers. The last number of "The Wellesley Magazine" contains an able presentation by Professor Katharine Coman of "The Influence of College Settlements." A Wellesley calendar for 1898 has been compiled by two Wellesley women.

On Monday afternoon the second recital by pupils in the department of music will be held in the chapel. Christmas vespers have been arranged for the evening of December 12.

## WELLS.

Aurora, N. Y., Dec. 5.—President Waters returned on Tuesday from Vassar College, where he attended the meeting of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools.

Margaret Floy Washburn, professor of ethics and psychology, who has been detained at home by a severe illness, has returned to the college, and will resume her work with some of her classes at once.

A concert was given by the Beethoven Trio on Saturday evening, December 4, under the auspices of the Wells Philharmonic Club.

The Social Science Club will hold a regular meeting on Monday evening, December 13. The question before the society for debate will be: "Is the maintenance of a high rate of wages profitable to the employers of labor?"

## VASSAR.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 5.—The Philalethean Society entertained a large number of guests at the celebration of its anniversary last Friday evening. This society is almost as old as the college, and has always included a majority of the students in its membership. In virtue of time-honored custom, its anniversary is made an important social affair, having only Founder's Day for a rival in the college year. The address last Friday was given by General James Grant Wilson, on "Some Recollections of Grant and Lincoln." A reception and dancing followed. A glee club concert and many less formal kinds of entertainment were given on Saturday for the guests who remained.

The Teachers' Club, an organization among the seniors who expect to teach, exerts itself to secure talks from persons of experience on educational subjects. Dr. Melvil Dewey, librarian of the New-York State Library and secretary of the University of the State of New-York, addressed the club last Thursday on "Some New Fields in Educational Work for Graduates of Women's Colleges."

The thirty-third annual catalogue of the college was issued last week. The officers of government and instruction number sixty, fifty-one of whom comprise the teaching force. The total number of students is 601. They are classified as follows: Graduate students, 12; seniors, 86; juniors, 118; sophomores, 150; freshmen, 212; in special courses, 23. New-England is represented by 101; 229 are residents of New-York State; 81 come from Pennsylvania and New-Jersey; 40 are from the South; 157 from the West, 90 of these coming from States east of the Mississippi, and 67 from States lying further west. One is from Constantinople, Turkey.

## UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Philadelphia, Dec. 5.—The work of raising funds for the erection of a new gymnasium has been started in earnest. At a meeting on Monday evening of the Committee of Seventy-five, which has the matter in charge, separate committees were appointed in each class that has been graduated from the University in recent years. These will solicit subscriptions from the members of their respective classes. Plans and specifications for the gymnasium building were discussed, but definite action was not taken. The Committee on Finance reported $20,000 as the amount of subscriptions up to date.

In the near future a telephone system for the private use of the University will be introduced. The contract has been signed for putting in a system connecting the sixteen different University buildings, the central exchange being in the engineering and power house.

The date for the debate with Cornell has been set for March 4. A new feature has been introduced into the preliminary contests, in the shape of a public debate between the two colleges, to take place in January, at which a prize of $75 will be given to the winner. A second prize of $25 is also offered. The money for both has been given by a friend of the University.

Arrangements have been completed by the Gun Club for a meeting with Lehigh on February 26. It will be held on the home grounds at Fernwood, and the teams are to be composed of either five or six men each. Thirty birds are to be shot at by each man at known traps and angles. The football team was entertained last night by the Mask and Wig Club, which gave a smoker in its honor. The cross-country run with Cornell, which was to have taken place in this city yesterday, has been indefinitely postponed.

The History Club held its first meeting for the current year on Wednesday evening at the University Club. Papers were read by Professors John F. Stewart and Dana C. Munro. Professor Stewart's article was discussed at length by Professor McMaster and others. The club is now entering upon its fourth year. Its membership is limited to twenty, and includes professors of the University of Pennsylvania, Bryn Mawr College, Swarthmore, Haverford and other neighboring institutions of learning. The qualifications for membership are that the applicant must be actively engaged in original historical work.

The F. Carroll Brewster Law Club formally opened its rooms on Thursday afternoon. Judge Brewster gave a luncheon to the members of the club and delivered a short address.

The Rev. Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler, of Brooklyn, addressed the students on Tuesday evening in Houston Hall. The Christian Association is now completing the list of speakers for the Wednesday evening services in Houston Hall. It includes many of the most prominent speakers in the country, a number of whom have been obtained through the aid and co-operation of Provost Harrison. Among those who have either promised or are expected to give addresses are the Rev. Dr. William Nelson McVickar, Holy Trinity Church, of this city; Bishop Potter, of New-York; Professor Bliss Perry, of Princeton; President Patton of Princeton; Dr. Rainsford, of New-York; Dr. Schauffler, Hamilton Mabie, Robert Speer and John R. Mott, of New-York; Professor Kelley, of Harvard, and Dr. Barrows, of the University of Chicago.

## CORNELL.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Rehearsals for The Masque play, "The Princess Forget," which is to be given during junior ball week, are being held regularly, and very satisfactory progress has been made. The cast has been decided upon, subject to change, as follows: Princess Forget, R. K. Fenno; her maid, H. M. Bell; the King, J. R. Rand, jr.; his right-hand man, L. B. Little; his left-hand man, E. Browne; Prince D'Oro, P. Schuyler; Prince Caramel, A. C. Ryon; his friend, D. P. Williams; his adviser, H. A. Megraw. The stage management is in charge of J. F. Goodman, assisted by H. N. Redfield and N. J. Gould. The manager of properties is H. H. Kendall, and the business manager is N. J. Childs, with J. A. Haines as assistant. The performance is under the general supervision of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Dixte.

On Tuesday about forty men met in the gymnasium and organized a basket-ball team. Among the forty were about twenty-five who have played the game before, and who will therefore form a nucleus for a strong team. G. W. Vreeland, '98, was elected temporary captain. A committee was appointed to confer with the Athletic Council to see if arrangements can be made for the use of the gymnasium three evenings in the week. If the organization proves successful, it is proposed to arrange out-of-town games, including contests with other colleges.

At the meeting of the freshman class on Tuesday a motion was carried to hold a class banquet, and President Holcomb was empowered to appoint a committee to perfect arrangements. A motion to establish a class paper was lost.

At the neurological conference on Thursday Professor Wilder paid a tribute to the memory of his friend, Dr. Harrison Allen, who died recently in Philadelphia. Professor Wilder also showed the brain of a chimpanzee, just received by the department of physiology.

The plan of organization of the new hospital given by the sons of the late Henry W. Sage has been under consideration for several days. The infirmary will be under the charge of the matron, with an adequate staff of assistants. While in the infirmary students will pay the cost of their own board, which, it is hoped, will not exceed $1 a day.

The Fencers' Club has arranged for a meet with the University of Pennsylvania team, to be held on January 15 in Ithaca, either in Music Hall or in the armory. Arrangements are also making for a meet with the Annapolis team. The club will hold a club meet next Friday, when the members will compete for places on the team to represent the University.

The Glee, Banjo and Mandolin clubs have arranged for a week's trip during the holidays. They will leave Ithaca on December 27, and will give concerts in Rochester on the 27th, Cleveland on the 28th, Toledo on the 29th, Chicago on the 30th, Grand Rapids on the 31st, and Buffalo on New Year's night. This will be the last concert of the trip. The alumni of the various cities have taken hold of the matter with enthusiasm, and large audiences are assured. The clubs are now in good condition.

The class of '99 held a bicycle social in Barnes Hall Wednesday evening. There was a large attendance.

The Graduate Club held a meeting in Barnes Hall Thursday evening, and voted to send a delegate to the Chicago meeting of the Federation of Graduate Clubs.

On Friday evening Garrett P. Serviss, '72, of the Brooklyn Institute, gave an illustrated lecture on Spain in the chemical lecture-room.

The smoker held by the class of '00 in the Lyceum Friday evening was successful. W. L. Wright acted as master of ceremonies. One feature of the entertainment was a fencing bout between several '00 members of the Fencers' Club.

The second military hop of the term was held in the armory on Friday evening.

President and Mrs. Schurman entertained a small party at dinner on Saturday evening.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Judson, of New-York, preached in Sage Chapel Sunday morning. The Sunday afternoon meeting of the Christian Association was addressed by President Schurman on "What Think Ye of Christ?"

## WESLEYAN.

Middletown, Conn., Dec. 5.—There was given before the college on Tuesday night the first of a series of lectures by members of the faculty. President Raymond gave it, and discoursed to a large audience on "Modern Germany." The remainder of the course is as follows: December 13, "A Second Century Novel," Professor Nicolson; January 13, "Illusions, Normal and Abnormal," Dr. Judd; January 25, "The Story of the Troubadours," Professor Kuhns; March 1, "The Criminal," Professor Fisher; March 22, "Some Mistaken Theories in Our Government."

At a recent meeting of the Middletown Scientific Association Vice-President J. M. Van Vleck lectured on "The Dedication of the Yerkes Telescope." He illustrated it with several lantern slides, comprising views of both the exterior and interior of the telescope. A. P. Bryant occupied the time at the last meeting of the Chemical Club with a report on the recent meeting of the official agricultural chemists.

J. H. Pillsbury, '74; W. A. Luce, '75, and J. Galbraith, '79, members of the Examining Board, visited the college on November 18 and 19.

Meeker, '98, has been elected to represent the student body at the annual dinner of the Alumni Club of New-York, to be held at the Hotel Savoy on December 10.

A college orchestra has been organized. It is composed of ten pieces. Smith, '99, is leader, and Meeker, '98, manager. The subject for the Olin prize in junior English literature is announced as "Alfred Tennyson."

## DARTMOUTH.

Hanover, N. H., Dec. 5.—The Dartmouth football team, after a successful season, has elected Frank Cavanaugh, of Worcester, Mass., to the captaincy. He has played end for three years. The unquestioned superiority of Dartmouth in the triangular league over Amherst and Williams has caused much discussion and expression of alumni opinion with regard to the formation of a greater league with some larger colleges, such as Brown, Wesleyan or Cornell. The undergraduate sentiment certainly favors such a league in football.

On Friday, November 26, ex-President Samuel Colcord Bartlett celebrated his eightieth birthday, and gave a delightful informal talk on his experiences and the progress of Hanover and the college.

The Rev. Dr. Charles A. Dickinson occupied the pulpit in the college church on November 28.

The Rev. Charles B. Jefferson preached on December 5.

General John B. Gordon, of Georgia, United States Senator, lectured on "The Last Days of the Confederacy" on December 4.

Carroll D. Wright lectured on the statistics of population, labor, industry and crime, and on "Modern Industry and Intellectual Development."

The leading article in "The Outlook" of November 27 is the address on "The Church of the Future," by President Tucker.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon banquet took place on November 18, with J. R. Chandler as toastmaster.

Ex-President Bartlett gave a stereopticon lecture, on "The Path of the Exodus," before the Young Men's Christian Association.

The second trial for the Dartmouth-Williams debate was held on Friday. The speakers were G. Tonaz, F. Murray and N. P. Brown. The third trial will occur on December 7, and the last on December 10.

## BROWN.

Providence, Dec. 5.—During the last week the interest of the college has centred around the Greek play given on Tuesday and Wednesday at Pembroke Hall for the benefit of the Women's College. "The Return of Odysseus" is an Homeric play, arranged by Miss Mabel Hay Barrows, of Radcliffe, where it was presented for the first time. It opens with a procession of men, women and children singing the hymn to Apollo, the words and music of which were discovered at Delphi in 1893, while a priestess and her attendants burn incense on the altar of the god. Then follow six scenes from the Odyssey. All these were represented with careful regard to historical accuracy in respect to costumes and other accessories. Nearly all the parts were taken by students, and their acting was of a sort that would have done no discredit to professionals. The principal actors were as follows: Odysseus, F. Severance Johnson; Alcinous, George A. Goulding; Telemachus, Alcibiades Pslake; Laodamus, W. H. Detmers; Euryalus, L. B. Adams; Echeneus, Harold S. Capron; Phemios Demodocus, W. J. Scribner; Potonous, H. R. Cross; Amphialus, F. J. Hallett; Penelope, Miss N. S. Goodale; Athene, Miss Florence Whiting; Nausicaa, Miss Florence Smith; Arete, Miss Mary Aldrich; Circe, Miss Helen Hunt; Eurycleia, Miss Winifred B. King, and Priestess, Miss Laura M. Thomas. It is worth while to add that the sale of tickets netted the college a satisfactory sum.

Brown University is one of the ten institutions before which the "American Lectures on the History of Religions" are delivered. This year's series on the general subject of Jewish religious life after the exile was opened on Wednesday evening by Professor T. K. Cheyne, of Oxford, who spoke on "Religious Life in Judea Before the Arrival of Nehemiah."

At a meeting of the freshman class, held on Wednesday, Edward B. Williams was elected baseball manager for next season.

## SMITH.

Northampton, Mass., Dec. 5.—On Saturday night the Phi Kappa Psi Society held its regular meeting. A new Executive Committee was chosen as follows: Cellissa Brown, '98; Rita Creighton Smith, '99; Louise Barber, '99. After the business meeting Gerald Stanley Lee addressed the society and its guests. His subject was "The Rise of Kipling," and his original treatment was appreciated by those present, who have been associated with Mr. Lee in his connection with the college during his residence in Northampton.

The Hospital House gave a dance in the Alumnæ Gymnasium on Wednesday night.

Dr. Hazen has issued invitations to a few of the seniors to form a History Club similar to that of last year. The members are chosen from students who have given long and accurate study to the subject of history. The purpose of the club is to promote schol