



ANOTHER GRADUATION DAY.

TWENTY WOMEN STUDENTS RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMAS.

CELEBRATION OF THE FIRST COMMENCEMENT OF TEACHERS COLLEGE SINCE ITS INCORPORATION WITH COLUMBIA. As the faculty and members of the graduating class fled into the hall at Teachers College yesterday morning the scene presented to the large audience was an impressive one.

THE FLAG AS A PASSPORT.

ONE AMERICAN NEVER TRAVELS WITHOUT THE NATIONAL EMBLEM.

THE RESPECT SHOWN FOR THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER IN THE PALACE OF A GREAT HINDOO PRINCE. There seems to be no really popular conception as to the proper use of the flag that is, none that every voice echoes alike.

HARLEM WOMEN INTERESTED

A MASS-MEETING CALLED TO CONSIDER WAR RELIEF PLANS.

SEVERAL HUNDRED OF THE HARLEM PHILHARMONIC MEMBERS TAKE CONTRIBUTION ROLLS TO FILL. A mass-meeting designed to awaken interest in the work of the Woman's National War Relief Association was held yesterday afternoon at the call of the Harlem Philharmonic Society.

MRS. HELOISE DURANT ROSE.

Author of "For Cuba" and "By King's Command." plays to be given for the benefit of the Red Cross.

THE DAY'S GOSSIP.

The twenty-third annual commencement of the New York City Training School for Nurses will take place at the Nurses' Home, West End Island, at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

PROVISION FOR NURSES.

SOCIETY FOR MAINTAINING TRAINED ONES FOR THE WOUNDED.

WORK OF THIS AUXILIARY TO THE RED CROSS RELIEF COMMITTEE SET FORTH AT YESTERDAY'S MEETING—GIFTS FOR THE ORGANIZATION'S PURPOSES.

Among the various auxiliary bodies which have been formed to assist the efforts of the American National Red Cross Relief Committee, none appeal more to the common sense of the patriotic and charitable than the Red Cross Society for the Maintenance of Trained Nurses.

The Normal College Alumnae Association will give an "at home" at the Alumnae Settlement, No. 446 East Seventy-second-st., this afternoon.

The commencement exercises of Miss Whitcomb's Seminary, situated at No. 18 Remond-st., Brooklyn, will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Universalist young people of the metropolitan district will meet at All Souls' Church, South Ninth-st., near Bedford-ave., Brooklyn, to-day to discuss plans for the Chicago '98 rally of the Young People's Christian Union.

Bright boys and girls from six to twelve years old, of good moral character, may apply to-day and to-morrow to Professor John F. Balkart, principal of the Ethical Culture School, No. 10 West Fifty-fourth-st., for a free scholarship.

The entertainment entitled "Grandma's Attic Treasures," which was given in Mount Vernon district last winter, is to be repeated this evening for the benefit of the Woman's Exchange of that place.

The children East, West, North and South are coming to the conclusion that even the babies are having their share in making up the history of the war of '98, and are deeply interested accordingly.

From the Southern Camp Alger comes a pathetic story of what a dear little girl, the daughter of a dead comrade, did for the soldier boys of Company F, 6th Illinois Volunteers.

After the closing of "American" in which the audience was asked to contribute to the relief of the sufferers from the Spanish war, the benediction prayer had been by the Rev. Dr. Peters.

The members of the graduating class were Edith Ingham, Miriam Knowlton, Barron, Emma Blaker, Mary Mursion, Bronson, Martha Burnett, Mary Edwards, Edith, Elizabeth, Jeanette, Elizabeth, Mary Fernald, Alice Hesseker, Clara, Mathew, Joseph, May, Richard, Harry, Caroline, Benjamin, Evelyn, Susan, Judith, Cromwell, Van Blarck and Mary Strong Waters.

After a grand address of welcome, in which the history of the movement to found a memorial in honor of the work of Mr. and Mrs. Garham D. Abbot, Mrs. Lane introduced to the audience the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott as the first speaker.

Dr. Abbott bore testimony to the untiring service of these educators in the cause of higher education in the presence of Mr. Abbott's joy in the fact that his plans to Matthew Vassar in the light of the founding of Vassar College.

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DEAN RUSSELL'S ADDRESS.

In the address made by Dean Russell he reminded his hearers that drill work is necessary to whatever branch of service, and that the soldier ever rises from the ranks to the Academy or to West Point.

The members of the class of '98 were assured that the goodwill of Columbia would ever attend them, and the president hoped that to know the truth of verity and college were interested in the quality of work they did would be an inspiration to them.

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LEGAL RECOGNITION OF NURSES.

Representative Amos J. Cummings, of New York, has just introduced a bill to authorize the War and Navy departments to employ one hundred and twenty-five nurses in the service of the Government.

The bill is to be not over one year. The pay is to be the same as hospital stewards, with a \$5 a month extra for each year of service.

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WAR AND RED CROSS NEWS.

Secretary John P. Faure of the American National Red Cross announced yesterday the appointment of a Finance Committee, comprising J. Pierpont Morgan, chairman, Fredrick D. Tenpen, president, James Speyer, Gustav H. Bank, August Belmont, president of the Central National Bank, and ex-Governor Levi P. Morton.

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COMMITTEES AT SUMMER RESORTS.

In the course of reading reports of the various committees appointed at the last meeting Mrs. W. S. Bull, who is at the head of the Sanatorium Committee, announced that arrangements had been made for creating sub-committees in places where various members of the auxiliary would be the summer. Already a committee of this kind had taken form in Lenox, and was presided over by Mrs. C. Furness. Mrs. Mortimer had started at the Sanatorium in Lenox, Mrs. Van Rensselaer in Bar Harbor, Mrs. Martin Story in Port Chester and Mrs. H. Walter Webb in Scarborough, while Mrs. Bull herself was at the head of a committee in Lenox. Mrs. W. C. Casey also announced that Mrs. Trorer L. Park would give a concert at her home in Purchase, Westchester, on the afternoon of Saturday, June 18. Tickets for the concert will be sold at \$1.00 each, and the whole proceeds will be devoted to the fund for the maintenance of the nurses.

"BULLFINCH DAY" AT OXFORD.

"Bullfinch Day" is observed at Merton College, Oxford, to-day, and the origin of this quaint festival is as follows: When Charles II was King of England he sent his wife, Katharine, to Oxford, bidding her not to reappear in St. James for a full year. The warden of Merton entertained the Queen during the time, and the rooms which she occupied in the quadrangle were named "The Bullfinch." One day, as she sat at a window, a bullfinch flew into the room. The Queen caught it and held it until a cage of hemp and rushes was made. Some weeks later, on June 3, as she was leaving, the bird escaped and flew away. On her departure from the college gate Her Majesty said: "Mr. Warden, in remembrance of my happy visit I pray you always illustrate the Queen's Bullfinch on this day." So it is that on this day every year the Warden sends out into the quadrangle at 11 o'clock holding a little white bird which she occupied in the quadrangle. The junior bursar, who has been awaiting his arrival, then advances, saying: "Mr. Warden, in remembrance of my happy visit I pray you always illustrate the Queen's Bullfinch on this day." The Warden replies, "This is Queen Katharine's bird." The bursar then opens the cage, and claps his hands. The bird flies away. During the rest of the year the cage is kept on a pedestal in the senior common room.

FOR THE RED CROSS BENEFIT.

The committee in charge of the benefit to be given on the afternoon of June 9 at the Fifth Avenue Theatre for the benefit of the First New York Ambulance Red Cross Equipment Society met yesterday morning at the home of Mrs. Joseph Knapp, on the Hotel Bay View. It was announced that F. P. Mackay had consented to act as director of the entertainment, and would give his services. Miss Viola Mackay, Mrs. Knapp's daughter, had arranged to give a concert, and would give her services. The committee also decided to give a concert at the Hotel Bay View, and would give their services. The committee also decided to give a concert at the Hotel Bay View, and would give their services.

IN MEMORIAM.

The members of the Professional Woman's League are again called upon to mourn the loss of one of their number. Mrs. Augustus W. L. Home, who died on June 1, at her home, 100 West 11th-st., was a devoted member of the League. She was a woman of high character and noble mind, and her death is a great loss to the League. Her husband, Mr. Augustus W. L. Home, was a prominent business man and a member of the League. She was a devoted mother and a devoted wife, and her death is a great loss to her family. Her funeral will be held on Friday, June 3, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of her husband, 100 West 11th-st