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### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The High School Graduates have Completed Their Course, received Their Diplomas and will now take up Life's Work.

Commencement week for the Yale high school of 1909 is over. The graduating class members have received their diplomas, the teachers from a distance have departed to their homes, and the summer is before all, for work or pleasure. All the exercises connected with graduation have passed off successfully and well. Class day papers and orations given a few weeks ago in the M. E. church were all highly spoken of.

The Junior banquet last week in honor of the Seniors added another pleasant link to the chain of events. The Baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening was full of helpful thoughts to those starting upon life's journey and no doubt will be long remembered.

The play given by the Seniors Wednesday evening, as published last week, was given before a good audience and was appreciated. All parts were well taken. Thursday evening a fine address was made before the class and an exemplary audience by Dr. East Douglas Holz. Music was rendered by the Yale orchestra and the diplomas were awarded each graduate by Prof. N. J. Drouyor.

There remains now the Alumni banquet which will be held next week Friday evening.

### JUNIOR BANQUET.

The banquet given by the Juniors to the Seniors last Thursday evening was a most pleasurable affair. Kennelick Hall was tastefully adorned with blue and white crepe paper, colors of the Juniors, while around the side walls were draped the colors of the Seniors, green and gold. Flowering potted plants also added to the beauty of the room.

The long tables were decorated with white carnations and candelabra with green and white candles, and covers were laid for fifty-five. The banquet was served at 8:30 by the Presbyterian ladies and consisted of five courses, eight sophomore girls acting as waiters.

At the close of the banquet the following toasts were given, Ventry Hisey introducing the toastmaster, Prof. N. J. Drouyor.

"Seniors"..... Harry Campbell  
"My Teachers"..... Grace Danielson  
"Silent Partner"..... Miss Cuvrell  
"Juniors"..... Olive Goben  
"Her Pupils"..... Miss VanWaghen  
"Facts and Whims"..... Ventry Hisey

A good deal of merriment was had at the expense of those toasted, but the toasts were apt, witty and well given, and the company broke up in the best of spirits.

### "LIFE'S PROFITS AND LOSSES"

(A Baccalaureate Sermon to the Class of 1909, Yale High School.)  
Text—"What doth it profit a man if he gain the whole world and forfeit his life."—Mark 8:36 R. V.

Members of the Class of 1909, their Teachers and Friends:—

It is with great pleasure that I, a young man, come before you young people this evening to talk with you concerning the life upon which, as your motto suggests, you are outward bound. As I listened to your essays and orations upon class day I rejoiced in the breadth of vision and the high ideals that you displayed. As I sat listening I realized that you were formulating your plans and were making your choices for your life. You have made this plan and that as you desire to accomplish certain ends in life.

It is for this reason that I have chosen the text that I read you upon which to center our thoughts. Christ could well have spoken these words to a graduating class. He did speak them to a people who, by force of their training and nature were accustomed to make their choices according to this or that that would pay. They were most keen when they were figuring their profits and losses.

Unconsciously, perhaps, yet surely do we weigh our ideals and plans for life in the same manner. We decide to be this or that because we feel that it will pay us. That we will profit by our choice. Some measure profit by dollars, some by other standards but each one of us desires that when the sum of our life is added that there shall be a goodly amount upon the right side of the ledger.

Jesus Christ, who was not alone the savior of men, but also their most profound thinker and teacher, said "What doth it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his own life." You will theoretically agree with him but I would ask, "Do you agree with him partially by planning even now to attain your life to the standards that He set."

As I said a few months ago to a Christian Endeavor convention that was in session here, life presents itself to me in a fourfold aspect. It has its

physical side, its social side, its intellectual side and its spiritual side, and I believe that it would not pay you in planning your life to ignore either one of these aspects, even though by so doing you were to gain the whole world. Let us take up first the physical side of life. Would it profit you if you were to gain the whole world and forfeit your physical life? I do not think that it would. I do not believe that it would pay to forfeit life for anything that this world can give to us.

You, as young people are blessed with bodily strength, with physical vigor, with nervous energy, and with the capacity for enjoying all that these blessings can bring you. Would it pay you to forfeit these that thereby you might gain whatever is your disbursement in life?

Suppose, for instance, that you desired above all else to accumulate wealth. You apply yourself diligently to business. You disregard the laws of health by working far into the night. Even when at last you return to your homes you still plan and lay out the work for another day. You take no vacations and even the Sabbath is spent as a day of labor. You give yourself no hours of relaxation or of rest.

At last by such unremitting toil, by getting without spending, by sacrificing all else to your one aim, you attain your ideal—you are a man of wealth, perhaps of millions. But in your struggle you have lost your health. Your nerves long abused at last have turned and you are a nervous wreck. Your stomach, too, refuses to digest the food that you eat and though in years you are still a young man, and from the standpoint of the world in the position to enjoy the fruits of your labor you speedily decline and in a few months die. Is this picture overdrawn? Alas! It is all too true. Every year hundreds of men die from the pressure of overwork. At their funerals the clergyman doubtless voices the wonder of their friends at the mysterious Providence that has cut short their careers at their zeniths. There is no mysterious Providence about it. It was the natural result of lives lived in absolute disregard of God's law concerning our physical natures. These men staked their lives against the world. They gained the world but they lost their lives. Did it pay?

I would speak to you concerning another side of your life. It is the social side. I think as we grow older we shall realize more and more the value of the friendships we have made. Love will mean more and more to us as we advance in years and learn that from our fellow-men we can receive that which money cannot buy nor position command. We read in the Word of God that "It is not good for man to live alone" and I am sure that we each one realizes how empty would be our lives were it not for those who are near and dear unto us. Then as we ask ourselves the question "What doth it profit a man if he gain the whole world and forfeit his life," let us think of that heart life, that life which is made up of sweet intercourse with those who are our friends, those whom we love and in whose love we find heart, peace and contentment. Would it pay us to sacrifice this portion of life that we may gain wealth, position or power. I do not believe that it would. There come times in every life when the strongest of hearts quail. When the soul of man crieth out that it is not sufficient unto itself. When, unless there be the strong arm of a friend to lean upon, life will exceed in bitterness even death itself.

We all desire friends but when we are engrossed in making our way in the world it is who loses out to pursue until some more convenient season. James Whitcomb Riley has expressed tendancy in the words—

"Afterwhile—and one intends  
To be gentler to his friends,  
To walk with them in the bush  
Of still evenings, or the phish  
Of home-coming fields, and stand  
Long at parting, hand in hand;  
One, in time, will joy to take  
New resolves for some one's sake,  
Clear and pure in other eyes—  
He will soothe and reconcile  
His own conscience—afterwhile."

But that "afterwhile" may never come and it becomes us to cultivate friendships all along through our lives.

There is also the intellectual side of life to be considered. Man is different from the rest of the animal world in that he has a mind and a soul. We will first think of the mind. I have known men who because of physical weakness, were unable to enjoy life from that standpoint, yet because of their intellectual power they were to a surprisingly large degree, men of largeness and men of power. They lived in good books. With such writers as Stoddard and Burton Holmes they knew the world and round the world. Indeed it would have been difficult to speak of a country or people with whom they were not conversant. They read history too and compelled every age to minister to their intellectual life. Contrasted with these we find those who, by loss of intellectual life pay for the world that they gain. To them the

brain is but a part of the machinery that turns out the golden dollars. They can talk on nothing but business, for they think of nothing else. Their intellectuality has been laid upon the altar of selfish ambitions. Those great masterpieces of literature that have inspired and sustained the noblest minds and indeed will continue to do so, do not interest them in the least. There are others who starve out their intellectual life by choosing that which is dwarfing instead of ennobling. It is a sad yet significant fact that there is not a store in Yale that finds it worth while from a financial standpoint to keep a stock of good books. I do not mean goody-goody books but I mean works of Scott, Dickens, Thackeray, or the great poets. There is no dearth however of Bertha M. Clay, Old Seuth or Diamond Dick. Friends, when these books for they never did anyone any good and to a multitude they have brought intellectual death. Make of your mind a storehouse by reading the works of the masters and you and yours will be enriched thereby.

The sermon was closed by a consideration of the spiritual life of man and an exhortation to the class to consider well the values of life and choose that which was really best.

### ALUMNI BANQUET.

The Alumni Banquet which is to be held in Central Hall, Friday evening, June 18, has the following for a program after the feast.

Music.....Carney's Orchestra  
Toastmistress.....Polly Wilcox  
"Ideas and Ideals".....Alex Sayles  
"Next".....Pearl Smith  
"Memories".....Jessie Merigold  
Solo.....Rensley Holden  
"Of all long horned cattle, deliver me from a college man".....Mary Ware  
"Frogs".....Prof. N. J. Drouyor

### ON UNIVERSITY LIST

Prof. Drouyor Receives Notification that Our High School has been so Placed for Two Years.

The following letter from President James B. Angell, of the State University, will be especially gratifying to all the friends and patrons of the Yale High School, for it gives our school a position that it has never held before and the best possible relationship with the University with the present number of instructors in the high school. A few of the larger schools with a large teaching force are put upon the approved list for three years. Since our high school has been upon the list it has been examined yearly and approved but for the year in which it was examined. Supt. Drouyor and his able assistants as well as the Board of Education are to be congratulated.

Ann Arbor, May 24, 1909.  
Supt. N. J. Drouyor,  
My Dear Sir:—I take great pleasure in informing you that upon the recommendation of the Committee on Diploma Schools and diploma relation between your High School and this University is approved for the years 1909-1910. The committee is of the opinion that more salaries should be paid in the high school. Very respectfully,  
J. B. Angell.

### Convention A Success.

The Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Port Huron District Epworth League, held at Marlette, June 2 and 3, was one of the best ever held in the district. Over one hundred delegates and pastors were in attendance, and enjoyed the excellent hospitality of the Marlette people. Splendid addresses were given by State President, Hugh Kennedy, D. B. Martin, of Albion, Rev. Norman LaMarse, of Bay City and Rev. Julian West, of Perry.

The work of the first, second and fourth departments was taken up respectively by B. E. Paige, of Deckerville, Miss Brabb, of Romeo, and Miss Ware, of Yale. The Junior work was handled by Mrs. Uhlinger, of North Branch. The discussions that followed these papers were lively and spirited.

Fine music was furnished by the Marlette Chapter.  
The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:  
Pres.—A. R. Niles, Carsonville  
Sec.—Lottie Luddington, Yale  
Treas.—Geo. S. Fries, Lambs  
Junior Supt.—Mrs. Uhlinger, North Branch.  
1st Vice-Pres.—C. A. Lohnes, Port Huron.  
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3rd Vice-Pres.—Mae Toft, Romeo  
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