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The Convention.

SATURDAY.

Saturday was college day. The topics discussed pertained chiefly to college association work. Good interest was manifested, and the papers presented were all of a high merit. A. E. Slothower, of Simpson College, read a paper on "Devotional Meeting." "Systematic Giving and College Association Finances" was discussed by F. D. Burhans, of the Iowa Wesleyan University. Alexander Patterson, of Chicago, next conducted one of his excellent Bible Readings. Among the other papers presented were "Bible Study," by R. R. McBurney, of New York, read by T. J. Durant, of Upper Iowa University. "College Association Buildings, Why Needed and How Secured," was presented by A. L. Weatherly, of Iowa College. H. F. Kallenburg, of S. U. I., spoke on "Physical Culture," with illustrations.

The evening services were held in the Congregational Church. Prof. Albert Loughridge, of the State Normal, was the first speaker, and delivered an excellent address on "The Christian Association in the College." Our space forbids a full outline, and we can only present the leading thoughts. Nine-tenths of those who graduate unconverted are never converted after they leave college. As men pass the twenty-first year, as a rule, they will go on to the end of life. If thoroughly rooted in the service of God they will go on in that service. *We must do our best work for the young men and women before they are twenty-one years old, or they are lost.* The faculty must give their support and interest to the association. It is by this means that the work can be successfully prosecuted. Associations are valuable to the church, school, and state.

Mr. Doggett, of Cleveland, Ohio, was next introduced. He said: If there is any thing that shows Christ's religion to be true it is that it calls forth great men for great occasions. There is a perfect harmony pervading all Christian Association work. Students have always played a great part in the Kingdom of God. There are no Associations at our schools that rally around them so many young men as do our Christian Associations. The speaker showed the duty which the Association owes to the new students. The great blessing of the college Association is that it reaches out after the new men.

SUNDAY.

Sunday morning and evening the

pulpits in city churches were occupied by members of the convention. Professor Albert Loughridge preached at the Baptist Church. Dr. Wm. Beardshear occupied the Congregational pulpit, and delivered an unusually strong sermon. He is a man of broad ideas; a forcible speaker, with great originality and individuality of character.

At the Presbyterian Church, in the morning, Mr. Johnston delivered an address in which he took King Josiah as a type to show how much the early training of a youth has to do in forming his character as a man; even though he may seem for a few years to forget his childhood's discipline, in time it comes back to him. Mr. Johnston, who took up principally the work done for city young men by the organization, was followed by Mr. Doggett, who took up briefly the importance and need of college work.

Mr. McGee presided over the evening services. Interesting talks were given by Messrs. Smith and Peck, on the usefulness of the Association. A prominent feature of the evening service was the beautiful solo from the "Oratoria," rendered by Mr. Keeler, of Des Moines.

Lang, of Sioux City, and Shepard, of Davenport, spoke at the Methodist Church, in the morning, and Frank Nadler, B. F. Berryman and C. C. Michiner, in the evening. Braley, of Ft. Dodge, and J. P. Smith, of Clinton, occupied the pulpit at the Lutheran Church in the morning.

The grandest meeting of the convention perhaps was the young men's meeting at Close Hall, Sunday afternoon. Every seat in the auditorium was taken, and several of the aisles were crowded. Fully 600 young men were present; such a gathering one does not often see. It was an inspiration to hear the singing and to listen to the testimony given by representatives for this or other states. A. M. Wight, of Sioux Falls, led the meeting, assisted by E. W. Peck, of Des Moines.

The farewell services were given to a crowded house at the Congregational Church. Mr. Parsons, of the S. U. I. Association, conducted the exercises. Testimonies were given by the delegates in regard to the benefit derived personally from this convention. It seemed to be the unanimous opinion that this was the best convention, both in regard to its spirit, work and enthusiasm, of any in the history of the Association. Dr. Bullock spoke in behalf of the churches of the city, and Dr. Beardshear closed the program with a stirring speech. The last num-

ber of the program was the most impressive. All the delegates—400 strong—united hands, forming a circle in the church, and standing thus—a scene inspiring and ennobling—these Christian workers sang with spirit and force the doxology of the Association: "Blessed be the Tie That Binds." Dr. Beardshear pronounced the benediction, after which the convention was declared adjourned without day.

Echoes of the Convention.

About 270 delegates were present.

Magee has been State Secretary for three years.

Of the twenty-two college associations, all but one was represented.

Our visitors were pleased with our new building and the University.

The delegates were all delighted with our gymnasium and the work done there.

The matter of locating the next State Convention has been referred to the State Committee.

As an evangelist Mr. Patterson of Chicago has few equals. He is doing a good work in Chicgo.

Dr. Wm. Beardshear made many friends while in our city. He is an active worker in the association.

F. L. Johnston is a wealthy merchant of St. Louis. He also contributes largely to the association work in St. Louis.

There are twenty-two college and thirty-one city associations in the State. Of these, 45 presented written reports at the Saturday morning meeting.

\$4,000 was pledged by the delegates and associations Saturday morning for State work. This sum was increased by collections on Sunday to something over \$4,200.

Too much praise cannot be given the quartette composed of Peck and Keeler of Des Moines, and Smith and Prof. Stookey of Cedar Rapids. The singing was one of the best features of the convention and added greatly to the interest and enthusiasm.

At the students' meeting in Close Hall Sunday afternoon there were eleven young men present from other colleges who expect to work in foreign missionary fields. In the after-meeting there were five volunteers for foreign missionary work. A traveling man from Pittsburg, Pa., who was present at the meeting was so interested in the cause that he decided to help a certain young man financially through his college course and also to support one man in the foreign field.

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It is not strange that there is a spirited rivalry between towns for the location of the next annual convention of the State Y. M. C. A. Aside from the general enlivening temporary effect such a meeting has upon a town and particularly upon a University, we are impressed by the solid, visible and tangible result that is seen in the announcement we make in the local column that some six or eight men from other Iowa colleges have expressed their decision to enter S. U. I. in the spring or fall term. The ease with which men decide upon change of colleges is daily becoming more marked. We have seen this in the almost wonderful migration to Leland Stanford, whose hundreds of students are very largely upperclassmen who have gone there from other colleges. Nor is there anything more encouraging in the tendencies of the day. It is certainly good to see men improving their opportunities and taking advantage of superior openings.

Said one man when shown the new chemical laboratories, "Why, that is bigger than our whole college!" And the noticeable fact about the incident is, that man will be in S. U. I. next year. It would probably not be an extravagant estimate to say that twenty or thirty new students will enter the University as a result of their visit incident to the recent convention.

The convention is over; it was a good meeting. As students we are glad that it was our privilege to be present, to hear such able addresses and to come in contact with men from other colleges. We learn by example. We are imitators. We build character every day. Hence, when we associate with such men as were found in this convention we always feel that we grow stronger and that the acquaintances formed have been profitable to us. There is a practical side to college life.

Some people never seem to learn this important fact. It is a good thing to come in contact with men of broad and liberal views. There are lessons to be learned in the college world which cannot be learned anywhere else. Each student has a sphere of action peculiar to himself. It is when we associate with other men, engaged in the same work as we are, that we learn to see our weakness and the places where we can make improvement. We learn to see more of life. In reality our vision is very limited, and it is a good thing now and then to look into the soul of another, to study the work and character of one whom we admire. It is when we do this that we grow. Apply these truths to students' gatherings, observe the individuality of character there found, the thoughts expressed, the bold stand taken, and you will see the strength of a body of college students and the influence they exert upon one another.

Remember the oratorical contest Friday evening. Let students encourage the association by greeting the contestants with a full house. An admission fee of 25 cents will be charged.

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Inter-Collegiate Press Notice.

The Executive Committee of the Iowa Inter-Collegiate Press Association announces that the second annual meeting of the Association will be held at Cedar Rapids, on Thursday, 25 February, 1892, in the Chapel of Coe College, at 3 o'clock p. m.

Oratorical Notice.

The annual contest in oratory of the Oratorical Association of S. U. I. will be held at the Opera House, Friday evening, 26 February, 1892. Admission 25 cents. Seats may be reserved without extra charge on Thursday morning at Wieneke's.

Baconian Club.

Dr. Peters spoke on the "Phenomenon of Taking Cold," before the Baconian, last Friday. A low temperature is the primary essential feature, and with certain other modifications, acts to contract the superficial blood vessels of the surface of the exposed portions of the body; the blood supplied for these vessels, under the pressure of the heart's action, must seek some outlet, and finds this in the blood vessels of some respiratory tract. Consequently, the presence of an excessive amount of blood in these parts inflames them, and we have the disagreeable conditions known as a cold. The liability to taking cold depends upon the condition of the heat-producing functions of the body. If the heat-producing functions are kept active by means of physical exercise, the low temperature can not so readily affect the blood vessels, which are the source of the heat-production. If the functions are not active through lack of exercise, or the use of excessive amounts of clothing, low temperatures can readily chill the body when exposed. The method of avoiding is to wear only a proper amount of clothing, woolen goods being the best fabric, and to take out door exercises or gymnasium work.

With sorrow we notice the death, on Saturday afternoon, of Archer S. Hershire, formerly a member of '94, and well known in the University and in Iowa City. Death resulted from the effects of a gunshot wound received accidentally about two years ago. The funeral exercises were held at the home of the family yesterday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Barrett, as chaplain of Co. C, I. N. G., of which the deceased was a member, and Rev. Mr. Pratt, pastor, officiating. The large gathering of friends, among which were Co. C, as well as the exquisite floral offerings, testified to the esteem in which the young man was held. The VIDETTE extends its sincere sympathy to the bereaved friends.

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President and Mrs. Schaeffer opened their home Saturday evening to students, the Faculty, and a few invited guests from the city, for the benefit of the Russian sufferers. Music was furnished by the S. U. I. band and the handsome parlors were well filled with guests who passed an enjoyable evening. At the foot of the staircase Miss Elizabeth Schaeffer presided over a certain little basket, into which were dropped contributions for the relief of the suffering Russians. About eighty dollars was donated.

The Phi Delts celebrated Washington's birthday with a spread and impromptu speeches.

"Two Old Cronies."

The popular and successful musical farce comedy bearing the above title is announced for Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Opera House. The reputation of this production is established among theatergoers, and will undoubtedly attract a large audience. It has been much improved for this season, and is winning increased praises wherever it appears. It is presented by a company of stars, conspicuous among which are Miss Ada Deaves, and the "Two Old Cronies," Al Wilson and E. J. Heffennan. The three sisters Don, give some of the most attractive dancing ever put before the American public. All the remainder of the company are artists and leaders in their line.

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