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THE THIRD REVOLUTION.

PROFESSOR LOOS LECTURES ON INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION.

This was the first number of a series of three lectures to be given at the Congregational church by Professor Loos.

The speaker first spoke briefly of the first, or intellectual revolution, marked by the Crusaders and the Reformation. With it came free thought and man began to reason for himself. Then came the second or political revolution which was closely followed by the third or industrial revolution. These have not been sudden changes, but rather an evolutionary development.

The manufaturing or factory system was taken as a high type, because in it are found the greatest number of labor questions. There are four stages in its development. First, that of the primitive family, which, in fact, was composed of a number of families. Then came the guild system, which was followed by the domestic system, in which each member of the family took some part in the work. They usually had a small farm. Thus their work was varied, each family only weaving as much as they themselves would need. But the fourth or present factory system is the one in which we are most interested. The invention of machines for spinning and weaving, etc, mark the change. With the coming of machinery comes the establishment of manufacturing centers, and the masses are herded together in these cities. Division of labor prevails, competition in labor is sharp, women and children are forced into the mills, and in fact were little more than a part of the machinery with which they were working, until legislation secured for them the ten hour day, thus giving them some time for recreation and study. Advantages and disadvantages for the laborer are to be found in these changes, but on the whole the results as shown by existing conditions are highly favorable.

Debating at Minnesota.

The following editorial from the Ariel (U. of Minn.) may be of interest: "While the result of the Chicago debate was not what we had hoped for, we have every reason to feel proud of the showing made by our representatives. They all but won and, having lost, they took the defeat gracefully, which is more than can be said of some of us here at home. And now there is a plan on foot to remove the sting of that defeat. It is proposed to raise a large sum of money and offer a prize of \$150 and challenge some Western university for another debate, to occur this spring. It is certainly a wise action to offer prizes in debating as well as in oratory, but we doubt both the expediency and the advisability of the proposed scheme. In the first place, it will cause a loss of interest in the Iowa debate, toward which all our energies should now be directed. This is self-evident and needs no proof. In the second place, it will put us in a bad light, especially if we should lose again. All the

world hates a 'sore-head,' and if we pursue the course now mapped out, that appellation could justly be applied to us. The proposed plan savors too much of the pugilistic arena, where it is the custom for the loser to declare his abilities, and put up money for another contest. In the third place, Michigan would probably not accept, for she could gain nothing by defeating us, who have already been declared defeated; and she has everything to gain by putting all her energy and time into her coming debate with Chicago. A challenge to Wisconsin would probably not be accepted, either, for she has already two intercollegiate debates on her hands, one with Iowa and one with Illinois, both of whom have strong teams. We would therefore suggest to those in charge: 'Collect the money as planned and dispose of it for debating in the coming inter-society contests, but do not challenge Michigan or Wisconsin. Rather, make sure of victory in the coming debate with Iowa.'

Minnesota "Reconsiders."

When the University of Wisconsin submitted the question of permanent retention of the Phillippiens by the United States, our debaters asked for a slight change in the wording to make it more definite. A voluminous letter has been received from our friends to the northward, in which they state that upon reconsideration they are convinced that the question submitted was not entirely even, and they preferred to discuss a more live, up-to-date question, and thereupon offered the same question debated between Minnesota and Chicago a couple of weeks ago, i. e., the popular election of United States Senators. Or if this was not acceptable, they could send us yet a third. Our debaters will insist upon the first question as submitted.

Wisconsin Chooses the Negative.

Saturday, the 21st, was the day upon which the decision of Wisconsin should be communicated to S. U. I. As no word was received, the debaters telegraphed to know what had been done. The next morning a letter came saying the Badgers would take the negative of the question, which reads: "Resolved, that pooling among the railroads of the United States should be allowed under the control of the Interstate Commerce Commission."

It will be affirmed for Iowa by Lester J. Dickinson, M. E. Weldy and Wm. W. Loomis. Wisconsin will deny through her representatives—E. A. Evans, Albert R. Denu and James Shaw.

Mr. Evans in writing stated that he would be busy in April, and had written to people at Milwaukee—where the contest will be held—that the debate would have to be held in March, and suggested the 17th as a date.

It is usually customary to consult the contestants as to the time, but the oracle from Madison sets the date most acceptable to him, and informs Iowa of his decision.

"Pray who is this lord, And what his power, forsooth, That all men must obey?"

Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Burton St. John, Traveling Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, addressed a large audience of students at Close Hall, last Sunday. Taking as his subject "Missionary Work," he showed first that all English races to-day are enjoying the fruits of the missionary work of St. Augustine. Continuing he sketched rapidly the condition and needs of the various parts of the world, showing the great value and success of foreign missions, and the duty of the churches of America in reference to the subject. As a general rule the students of America are much ahead of the church in their knowledge and conception of missionary work. Their duty is to spread their knowledge and lead the masses forward.

Mr. St. John is an interesting and entertaining speaker, and by his earnest and sincere spirit held the closest attention of his audience. The Associations feel very grateful to him for the aid he by his visit has given them.

In this connection it may be well to mention the Mission Study class which meets each Tuesday evening at Close Hall. The text this term, "Social Evils of non-Christian Lands," is a notable contribution to sociological literature, and has attracted much attention. It has been warmly commended by the department of Economics of the University. Any one desiring to take such work is offered an excellent opportunity in this course.

Erodelpeian-Irving Special.

The Erodelpeian-Irving special program in North Hall, last Saturday evening was doubtless one of the best of its kind ever presented by the societies. "My Lord in Livery" and "Monsieur" were the two farces making up the body of the program. While each abounded in ingeniously contrived scenes, the delicate humor of the first was in admirable contrast to the ludicrous chain of laughable occurrences in the latter.

The only unpleasant circumstance in connection with the presentation was the usually poor adjustment of the curtains and staging, which shut off a portion of the view of the stage from some parts of the house. The curtain also failed to work properly at the end of various acts.

The incidental music was most enjoyable, and included autoharp selections by John Sunier, and a violin duet by Clara Hoover and Esther Dooley.

Following is the cast:

"MY LORD IN LIVERY."

Lord Thirlmere.....H. C. Horak
Spiggot, an old family butler.....
.....L. J. Dickenson
Hopkins, a footman.....L. Switzer
Robert, a page.....Alfred Remley
Sybil Amberly.....Mabel Foster
Rose, { Sybil's friends } Dorothy
Laura, { Wickersham }
Loulu Mann
Music.....Piano solo

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Polly, Monsieur's ward.....Erza Owen
Adrienne, Polly's friend...Lulu Graff
Billy Wimblestone, Polly's fiance...
.....A. Remley

Tom Sellers, Adrienne's very own...
.....F. C. Drake
Mrs. Bush-Tree, Adrienne's aunt,....
.....Clementine Ashley
Miss Cushing was taken sick Saturday forenoon, and upon a few hours' notice Miss Clementine Ashley learned her part, and from her admirable appearance, the audience would never have guessed but what she had rehearsed for days.

Forum.

A large audience filled the Forum hall last Friday evening, and listened to a very interesting and well rendered program, the principal feature of which was a debate on the question: "Resolved, that women should have the right of ballot." Affirmed by Mrs. Anderson and Miss Harrison, denied by Messrs. Hebel and Piersol.

All the speeches were able, emphatic, and to the point, and were enthusiastically applauded by the audience. The judges decided the question for all time to come in favor of the affirmative.

Following the debate, Mr. Thompson delivered an extemporaneous speech on "Nelson A. Dingley."

Philomathian.

The program, last Friday evening, was opened with an oration by Otto Bracket, entitled "The Destiny of France." The thought and composition was very good.

The debate was on the question: "Resolved, that the Nicaraguan canal should be constructed and maintained by the government of the United States."

Affirmed by J. T. Edson and A. F. Thorburn; denied by C. W. Humphrey and F. M. Baker.

A declamation was given by J. F. Kirby, followed by several very good extemporaneous speeches.

As a whole the program was not quite up to the average. The debate was quite interesting, and although the subject was old, some new arguments were produced which were very instructive.

Basket Ball.

The High School basket ball team played a match game with a select aggregation of Dental sphere-throwers Saturday night. The galleries were lined with spectators, who took much interest in the varying fortunes of the teams. The game resulted in a score of 11 to 2 in favor of the High School. The line-up was as follows:

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Kettlewell c	Du Boise
Spinden r f	Schane
Brock l f	Moore
J. Bailey r g	McCoy
Louis l g	McFadden

The University of Nebraska has secured a pipe organ, used at the exposition, and it will be placed in their chapel. The necessary amount for its purchase was raised by subscriptions largely from the alumni.

Wisconsin has three collegiate literary societies, whose membership limit is each about sixty. Two debates are given at each weekly session, and the societies exist mainly for the purpose of producing debaters.

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Only by unanimity of action can the best work be done in any line. Certainly this is true in the contests in debate and oratory, and consequently every one qualified should attend the meetings at which these subjects are discussed. Owing to an oversight the Philomathian Society was not notified of the oratorical meeting last Friday evening, and consequently were not represented. Happily no business of great importance was transacted.

The last issue of the Cornellian contains an excellent article on the defects in the present system of marking contestants in oratory. This brings to mind the fact that the method of grading according to our present constitution is not all that could be desired. While it is entirely impossible to eliminate all the elements of chance from any system of marking, yet we have good reason to believe that a change could be effected which in nine cases out of ten would cause better satisfaction than the present system.

Freshman Banquet.

Rumors have placed the date of the Freshman banquet in the near future, and every one is speculating upon the probable actions of the Sophomores. The unfortunate experiences of last year will undoubtedly cool the ardor of the Sophs, and it is to be hoped that they will not emulate the actions of their predecessors. However, much of the interest of the banquet would be removed if it attracted no more attention than other social functions, and the spiriting away of a dress suit or the imprisonment of a "toaster" during the afternoon and part of the evening, has always been looked upon as a necessary part of the program.

While the students do not look upon class scraps with the disapproval of the Faculty, yet they join with

them in hoping that this year there may be no occasion for the sensational papers throughout the state come out with such startling "headers" as last year.

The Wisdom of the Ancients.

The Roman philosopher Pliny was accustomed to remark to his friends that "the motion of the body stirs the mind to activity." In continuing his discourse so aptly introduced he urged the necessity of regular hours for walking, skating and working in the gym., for only by this course in life can an active mind be possessed, and its powers remain intact to an honorable old age.

There certainly is much to be thought about in the remarks of this old Roman sage, and his advice should not lightly be put aside.

In this connection we are tempted to come down to modern times and give wider publicity to a remark made by a certain S. U. I. instructor not long ago. In commenting upon examinations, courses of study, lessons, and success in life, the statement was made that if students would show the same zeal, interest and application throughout the term as they exhibit during examination week, this week would lose its terrors for them, and the college education would be greatly increased in value to them. In both cases the principle is the same: what ought to have been learned in a term cannot be learned in a week; bodily strength cannot be developed late in life when its need is most apparent. We commend this ancient and modern philosophy as worthy of acceptance.

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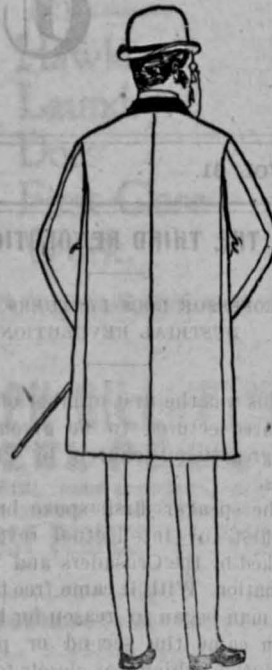
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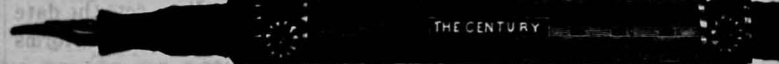
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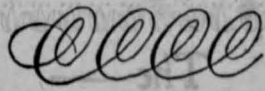
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FACT AND RUMOR.

Wendling to-night.
Instructor Sturm has been ill with the grip.
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Clyde McCord is convalescent, after a long sickness.
Professor Van Steenderen is quite sick with the grip.
The Board of Regents will be in session Thursday.
Macy, C. '02, is confined to his room with the mumps.
Miss Cushing is still confined to her room on account of sickness.
Ground has been broken for the University of Pennsylvania law school.
"Mira' eau and the French Revolution" at the Opera House to-night, 50c.
The Iowa City Musical and Dramatic Association will give its second entertainment at the Opera House tomorrow evening.
Miss Keota Williams delivered a talk on Bailments before Miss Irish's commercial class, on Friday afternoon. It was instructive and entertaining.
J. H. Fellingham, C. '00, local secretary of the Y. M. C. A., filled the pulpit at the Baptist church, Sunday morning, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. S. Brown.
The Cornellian, in its report of the State Engineering Society, held here last week, says: "Professors Sims and Magowan, of S. U. I., are entitled to great credit for their efforts to make the convention a success, and received the hearty thanks of all present."

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The second lecture on English cathedrals, by Dr. J. G. Gilchrist, will be given in Trinity church this evening. The subject will be a "Tour of the Cathedrals." The lecture will be illustrated by a large number of lantern pictures, showing the exterior of all the cathedrals, and many views of interiors of the more important ones. Many of the pictures are new, some having been imported.

Professor W. H. Watson, author and artist, from Paris, France, is in the city, teaching elocution, painting, and the French language. He is author of "The Count de Latour, a Tale of Mystery," and made the 189 illustrations which adorn its pages. He comes highly recommended by the press of both continents. Professor Watson has arranged to lecture at an early date in the Christian Church, on the subject: "Triumph of Christianity." He is staying at 227 N. Clinton St.

Pennsylvania recommended twelve men as judges in the Pennsylvania-Cornell debate. Of these twelve men, Cornell will choose six who will act as judges.

The total number of officers of instruction, including university curators, preachers, and library officers, proctors and others at Harvard this year, is 466.

The trustees of Columbia University have adopted a resolution limiting admission to the law school to college graduates. The change will take effect in the fall of 1903.

A committee at the Harvard University debating club has sent a letter to her alumni asking for contribution for a permanent fund to be used for annual prizes for debating.

An organization known as the State Inter-scholastic Athletic Association has been formed in Nebraska, to be under the control of the State University of Nebraska. Minnesota is about to organize one similar.

The six-pounder rapid-fire Maxim gun given to the Cruiser Harvard last May, by the graduates of the college, has been sent to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, as a memento of the Spanish war and of Harvard.

Chicago has submitted the following subject for debate, to Columbia, for consideration: "Resolved, that the best interests of the United States would be conserved by the acquisition of Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines."

Harvard publishes no catalogue for gratuitous distribution. The annual University catalogue is a cloth-bound volume of nearly 700 pages, sold at 75 cents a copy. Information as to courses, etc., is given in pamphlets of 25 to 75 pages.

The debating board of the University of Michigan has offered a silver cup to be given to the winners of inter-society debates this spring, all places to be gained by competition and the subjects to be debated to be the same as the Chicago-Michigan debate.

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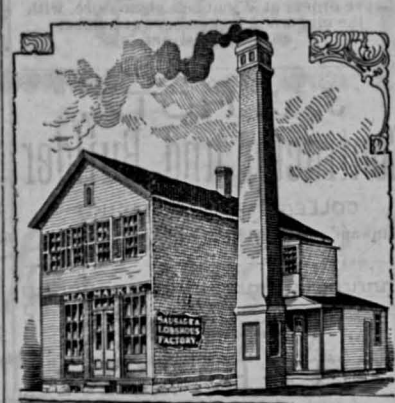
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