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CITY INTELLIGENCE (For Adational Looal Llema nom mind Page.]


The Fifty-fifth Semb-Annual Commencement of
the High School occurred this morning, nt the


 of the Garmapia Orchetra, under tho leadership
of Oarl Sentr, followed by an eloquent prayer by Rev. J. Vaughan Smith.
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hind been threatoned in certain quartors. $H_{c}$


 the High Sehooi, maintaining that practsed a aurse of
study was equal to any collige in the country. schools was elevated, we methat thave a numbur
of High Bchools instead of one, too small to
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answered by a unnanimous "No." which wa
 education is the strong bulwark of a repabicican
formo of goverument, and urged a greater atton
tion to thie educationul wants of the youth of The Scientific Address was made by Benfamin
F. Houseman, who trented of the connection
between science and nature; drawing illustra
tions from every, age had progresscd only by developing natural
forces. Mr. Heureman made a most oxeelient His theme was the inportance of the study of
the past, and the effects which bygone events
exercise upon the present. Ho made a reaume of past time was situont a controd thint no no event
upon thence penerations that followed. The close
upo and contained many eloquent passiges.
The next address was delivered by Samuel $C$. Conle, Jr., his sublict being "Time, and its In
fluence on Man"- Celnneating the progress which
the race had made in the successive ages of the world, and arguing a greater attention to the
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gave entlture of the communits. The speceh
gave eviene of deep study and thought, and Frank H. Wetsh delvered a most exeellent
address upon the subject of Popular Reading. He referred to the low standard of the literature
which if furnithed to the pablic at the present
day, especially thoee that shelves of circulatitng libraries and on book-
stands. The seatimeats of the speech were tied their
applave.
Ernest A. Furrington delhvered the honorary
address, taking for his sublect the "Value of
Life, and the vast responsibilities which are attaehed to it," The effort was an exceedingl ne one, not only in regard to its composition
but on account of the line manner in which
was delivered. The degrees were then conferrod by Edwar ontrollers
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