# tionality of our mighty republic? and what Franklin and Marshall college will have wrought for her state in this direction will be found to be not the meanest element in the sum total of such nationality. Thus it is plain that our Alma Mater, though still young, has become a positive factor in the educational movements of our state. Her sons occupy prominent and influential positions. Her course is steadily progressive, like a river ever deepening and widening the channel of its influence. This growth and progress are due to its own inherent life and activity, pervaded by a positive, aggressive, christological philosophy as to thinking, and the vitality of an equally positive, orthodox, believing Christianity as to religious doctrine and practice; and herein lies the sure promise of enlargement in influence for giving tone, direction and unity to public thought and activity. No more than an accorn and the subsequent oak tree, can an institution of learning live and become a historical factor, unless surrounded by conditions essential to the life-activities upon which its existence depends. The seed planted years ago germinated. The rain and dew of the grace of God descending from heaven; the breath of the spirit of the Most High, which pervades its philosophical thinking and religious activity keeping pure the current of its existence—as does oxygen the blood of the body—, the genial sunlight of the sympathy, love and prayers manifested by its alumniand friends, are all continuous influences and factors in its course toward the full stature of its growth—continuous after its ultimate destiny is wrought out. What is the destiny of F. and M. college? In the light of what was just said the question is easily answered. And when besides we consider the fact that the cause of common school education has been crystallized out of a chaotic mass into an harmonlous, if not homogeneous system, and

Exercises of Franklin and Marshall College.

COMMENCEMENT.

ALUMNI DAY ON THE CAMPUS.

The Dinner In Harbaugh Hall-Class Day Ex ercises.-The Alumni Oration-The Reunion of 1860—Diagnothian Semi-Centennial at the Stevens House-The Baccalaureate Orations of the Graduates - Ten Speeches Made This Morning.

The gentle but refreshing rain of Tuesday night put the college campus into delightful condition next day for the exercises of alumni day and the temperature was altogether exhilarating. The company that be gan to assemble about noon on Tuesday in front of the buildings was quite large and embraced people gathered thither from all parts of this and adjoining states, including many of the relatives and friends of the twenty-four members of the graduating p. m., and moved down to Harbaugh hall. p. m., and moved down to Harbaugh hall.
The dining room was decorated with unusual taste and care. The arrangement of flowers, plants and foliage was very beautiful and striking, and the pillars were especially decorated effectively. About 250 guests sat down to dinner. Hon John Cessna, LL. D., occupying the head of the central table. The viands con after of cold tongue, hain, yeal and beef, choose, pickles, lettuce, tonnatoes, cake, coffee. pany was rapped to order and a number of oasts were offered and happily responded

"Liberal Culture, in its relation to the learned professions," A. S. Gerhard, M. D. "Colleges and the Public Schools Growing into Closer Union," Hon. J. P. Wickersham, LL. D.

Cli. D.

"College Days, and the Days That Come
After," J. W. Wetzel, esq., Carlisle,
"Our Invited Guests," Rev. J. Y. Satchell.
"The Approaching Centennial of the
College," Rev. Cyrus Cort, Greencastle,
With an expression of thanks to the ladies,
Chairman Cessna adjourned the dinner at
230 n. m.

## CLASS DAY EXERCISES.

"Rush" Between Two Classes That Threatened a Little Disturbance,

Before 3 p. m., an unusually large, select and attentive audience gathered in front of the north wing of the college to hear the Class Day exercises. A platform was erected and seats for several hundred persons were placed under the trees and were filled. while nearly as many more persons were grouped around upon the sward, and the space between the college and the Diagnothian hall was well filled with undergraduates. The members of the class, garbed in their new caps and gowns, marched from Harkengh hall to the place of celebration, headed by Thorbahn's reed band, which organization made its first and very creditable appearance upon this occasion. John Keiser acted as master of ceremonies; and the efficient committee of arrangements con-sisted of A. Noll, W. A. Henneberger and G. E. Ifft. Following was the programme of exercises. They were conducted very successfully and were listened to with concentrated and unbroken attention.

Centrated and unbroken attention.

Overture—"Volksfest" (M. Carl.)

Salutatory—C. L. Frantz.

"Amazoneuritt"—Purshman.
Class Poem—"Evolution, or the Genius
Eighty-dre," F. W. Mish.
Lanclers—"West End," Carl Thorbahn.

Lanciers—"West End," Carl Thorbahn.
Class History—C. B. Schneder.
Ciarfonet Solo (A. Schreiner)—Carl Thorbahn.
Prophecy—D. Levan.
"Schweizergrusse Landler"—C. Kegel.
Presentation—E. A. Salade.
"Aus Vollens Menshenherzen"—Franke,
Mantle Omition—W. H. Hager.
Song and Dance—"Pretty Mamie"—Miller.
Valedictory—J. H. Apple, Jr.
Gallop—"Full Speed"—Thorbahn.
The happy hits of the orators, the graceful
measures of the poet, the humorous reminiscences of the historian, the vaticinations of
the prophet, the fitness of the presentations of
the transfer of the class mantle and the vale-

the transfer of the class mantle and the vale dictorian's farewell were all received with repeated laughter and applause, as the pal-pable hits were recognized and appreciated. Only once was there manifestation of a little feeling that threatened to lead to bois-terousness. The class of '85 having once taken a cap from the (then) Sophmores, the taken a cap from the (then) Sophmores, the latter, now Juniors, found an opportunity to-day to recover it just as it was to have been included in the list of presentations of the day. They rigged it up on a pole, with a significant inscription and marched in a body with it to near the Class Day platform, where it stood a menacing standard. The Sophomores gathered themselves together and made a rush for it. Quite a melee occurred, but it was soon over and the can recurred, but it was soon over and the cap re mained with the Juniors, who had proved themselves not only able to recover but to

### THE ALUMNI ADDRESS. Dr. Gerhard Describes the Future University

There was numerically a very fair and highly intellectual audience gathered in the college chapel on Wednesday evening to hear

the alumni address. President Titzel, of the alumni association, opened the exercises and introduced the alumni orator, Dr. A. S. Gerhard, of Philadelphia, whose theme was "The Future University." He spoke sub-

"Coming events cast their shadows before. Referring back to 1853 when F & M colleges were consolidated, and following its history to to the present day, we find that the institu-

stantially as follows :

tion "has remained firm in its adherence to then "has remained firm in its adherence to what it conceives to be the true end and aim of a college," and opposed to partial and ir-regular courses and to admitting so-called technical studies at the sacrifice of time for a liberal education. Its aim is the developing of the mental powers and faculties prepara-tory to the study of the learned professions, and other practical and technical pursuits of life, which latter belong to the theological, medical, law and technical schools. Were its educational standard adopted, there would be less quackery in the professions, and less pretentions sciolisms in every direction. A glance at the past record also shows that some of the objects had in view from the begin-ning, have in a great measure been attained. ning, have in a great measure been attained. The "sleeping glant" is rapidly awakening to an appreciation of her vast moral and intellectual resources. The German eleand intellectual resources. The German element is now progressive, and the "Pennsylvania Dutch" are no longer the Becotians
of the state, and the opprobrious epithet has
been deprived of its sting of reproach. German methods of instruction are recognized.
The Kindergarten is now a familiar institution. The central high school of Philadetphia, maintains a regular professorship of
German literature, a study obligatory, not
optional, and the Medico-Chirurgical college
of the samo city announces in its prospectus
that "the system of teaching is a combination of the German and American plans."
German families now send their soms to college. Donations and legacies for higher
educational purposes are now heard of.
Michigan has endowed a state university, and
other states will follow in a direction where
our own great but sleepy commonwealth Michigan has endowed a state university, and other states will follow in a direction where our own great but sleepy commonwealth ought to be the pioneer. The English, German, Scotch, Irish nationalities are rapidly being fused together in the crucible of the state, and that ingredient which will give depth, solidity and stability to the resultant alloy of state character, will be found to be German element. Beyond doubt our college has been instrumental in bringing about a more homogeneous cast of state character, the Angio-tierman. Now let these individual state characteristics become elements of a yet more extended common life and activity, ascording to the geographical region they occupy, be these north, south, east, west of central: let these elements, still more generally developed by a common culture of the successive generations, and transfused by a common historical life, become the factors of one universal life-activity for the whole nation—then will be solved what is still in problem: What is the distinguishing nation—then will be solved what is still in

FROM ONE OF THE POUNDERS. During the evening the following letter was read from one of the founders of the society, now professor of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pa.;

GETTYSBURG, Pa., June 13, '85.

Mesers J. H. Apple, jr., T. M. Biser, and others:
GENTLEMEN—Your kind invitation to attend the semi-centennial re-union of the
Diagnothian Literary society, awakened in
my mind many pleasing reminiscences. It
called up at once before me the genial, closelyshaven face of the scholarly Dr. Rauch, who
inspired us boys with a love for natural history by his entertaining lectures, that he
illustrated for us in his rambles with us on
Saturday afternoons: and the grizzly, GETTYSBURG, Pa., June 13, '85. illustrated for us in his rambles with us on Saturday afternoons: and the grizzly, broadly-grinning countenance of Rev. Dober, the Moravian minister, who taught us Latin, Greek and German. I have still a sort of good-natured grudge against that queer, tobacco-scaked genius for assigning to me the unwelcome task of standing up before a great audience in the old German Reformed church, on a platform before the wine-glass pulpit, and declaiming Schiller's "Ring des Polykrates," and, upon another occasion, a long extract from the Eneid, beginning: "Hee ubi dicta," &c. Grand exhibitions those were! O. what a sensation they created!

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I wonder if Dr. Gerhart cannot tell you of some wonderful things those German pedagogues introduced among the staid old Yorkers. I think he spread himself upon that same stage. I know we read that same old Trojan story together.

And there was Dr. Bomberger! Seems to me I can hear him singing bass. And Dr. Kieffer, profoundly philosophizing! And frisky Jakey Heyser, making mischiel, "semper idem atque unus"—jovial as ever, for I met him only the other day at the railroad depot in Harrisburg, helping to keep Dr. Higbee "hopping around!"

I often think with gratitude of Prof. Budd, the modest, retiring gentleman, the only

been crystallized out of a chaotic mass into an harmonious, it not homogeneous system, and that the normal schools representing the educational life of this system, are progressive, ever approximate the idea of a college, and the manifest tendency to concentration in this respect, we may fine that soon an institution could be will select a school which will been aloft the motto embiazoned on the banner of F. and M. And were the twolve colleges now under the care of the Reformed church in the United States organically united as they should be, with the oldest and most prominent one as the head, the university would be an accomplished fact, and the destiny of F. and M. college reached.

After a rapid resume of the history and constitution of universities in Europe and England and point.

early Diagnothianism. Dr. Rauch coined that word; well, perhaps he imported it. I was a Diagnothian—rather young to be very "literary," but I well remember how proud I was of my budge and how gravely we used to march on state occasions. Do the Gotheans still live?

reached.

After a rapid resume of the history and constitution of universities in Europe and England and pointing out that in such sense they do not exist in the United States, the speaker argued that the establishment of a university in a true and proper sense, based upon the German or English model, or better an Anglo-German idea, a combination of a modification of both, was not only desirable but feasible; that the inherent and vital requirements as well as the external conditions were at hand and favorable. The munificence of the private citizen, and the filling up of the It would afford me much pleasure to share with you the festivities of the semi-centen-nial, but our annual examination occurring at the same time debars me. I would be glad to take some of my old schoolmates by the hand, for some still linger on this side of the dark river, and one at least, your worthy president, will surely be there. To any that may be with you please present my kind regards.

CHARLES A. HAY. at hand and favorable. The munificence of the private citizen, and the filling up of the ranks of the classes from the citizenship may, be expected. After the university is fully organized in all its faculties and arranged in all its departments—philosophical, theolo-gical, medical, legal, scientific—the state may devise liberal things for one or more of its departments. In the church exists only one serious but not insurmountable obstacle; lack of concentration—want of unanimity of CHARLES A. HAY.

The Origin of the Societies. serious but not insurmountable obstacle; lack of concentration—want of unanimity of thought and unity of purpose. Is it not time that this abnormal order of things was changed? That the desire and hope of those who cherish their Alma Mater and who worked the hardest in her interests, should speedily be realized. Oxford University is the centre of twenty colleges; Cambridge of only seventeen; and what stupendous literary republics do they not constitute? Were the twelve of the church organically united and in harmonious co-operation, what a mighty river of blessing would by their confluence be started to roll down the valley of time. There can be order and life in the physical universe ofily by reason of a central sun. There can be a liberal and catholic spirit in the political and ecclesi-One of the most interesting features of the evening was the reading of a carefully prepared paper by Rev. Dr. Gerbart in answer to his toast. As it has relation to the history of both the literary srcieties we give it in full: On Monday evening, the eighth of June 1835, the students of the institution known as the high school of York, Pa., convened in general meeting in one of the upper rooms of a plain, unpretending two-story brick building located on the west side of South George street, about two squares from the centre of the town, for the purpose of creating, by one act, at the same time and place, two literary societies. Only twenty students were present though the high school had on its roll the names of a much greater number. An organization for mutual improvement had been in existence for many months previous,

and was conducted with spirit, though many of the students were not members of it. But the interest in the organization was not equal thought, might be inaugurated, which would kindle more enthusiasm among the students and yield better fruit.

of a central sun. There can be a liberal and catholic spirit in the political and ecclesi-tical universe only when its social and moral factors are governed by a central universal influence. At the next meeting of the general synod let the delegates represent-

ing the faculties and those representing the

will lead to discussion and agitation, until perhaps at some future session the general authority of the church will move in the matter. Let us, fellow alumni, maintain

the matter. Let us, fellow alumni, maintain our fealty and prove our loyalty. Let us so impress the community that the claims of the college, present and prospective, may be duly recognized, that she is worthy and competent to preside over the destinies of a university. All of us may do more,—none of us will dare to do less—some of us may

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live to see the day, when upon this classic hill located in the very paradise of the state, and for that matter, the central garden spot of the whole region of the middle states round about, shall have its fized habitation, an

institution, from which, as from a central

sun, shall emanate the effulgent rays of the

light of the broadest, most liberal, universal aesthetic cultivation and practical educa-tion; "The Future University." So mote it

THE ALUMNI MEETING.

Immediately after the conclusion of the

eddress an adjourned meeting of the alumni

association was held; a vote of thanks was

returned to Dr. Gerhard and he was request

ed to furnish his manuscript to the editor of

the Reformed Church Quarterly. The cen-

consist of Rev. Drs. T. G. Apple and E. V.

Gerhart, Revs. C. Cort and C. U. Heilman,

tennial committee in full was announced

Feast of Reason and Flow of Soul for

Of the members of the class of 1860 Revs

C. Cort, U. H. Heilman, Geo. H. Johnston, D. D., J. S. Kieffer, D. D., J. Taylor Motter

and A. Frank Seltzer, esqs., held a reunion at

the Stevens house, it being their "silver'

anniversary. Rev. Heilman read the class

history, Rev. Cort the necrology, Rev. Dr.

THE DIAGNOTHIAN REUNION.

Semi-Centennial Supper.
Of the hundred grave and reverend senior

and beardless boys who gathered in the Ste-

vens house parlors last evening, some were

charter members of the Diagnothian society

of fifty years ago, some the fledgling Fresh-

men just initiated. But they were animated

by common affection for their society and

like enthusiasm over her vitality and prosper-

ity after such a long career of useful exist-ence. Covers were laid for 110, and nearly

every seat was filled. W. U. Hensel sat at

the head of the table, flanked on the right

by Rev. Dr. T. G. Apple, president of the

college; on the left by Rev. Dr. E. V. Ger-

hart, president of the seminary; in front of him Hon. John Cessna, president of the board of trustees—all original Diagnothians.

The table was decorated with fruits and flow

ers and following was the bill of fare :

Broiled Spring Chickens.
Sweet Bread and Peas.
Chicken Salad.
Cold Ham.
Saratoga Chips
Olives.
Chow-Chow.
Worcester Sauce.
Fruits.
Banans

Oranges. Bananas. Ice Creams—Orange, Vanilla, strawberries. Assorted Cakes. Coffee. Tea.

After the coffee came on, Stanley

Krebs made an address of welcome for the ctive society; and the following toasts were

responded to with speeches of varying

ength, but of unfailing wit and interest "Diagnothia 50 Years Ago," Rev. Dr. E. V. Gerhart; "Our Sister Society," Rev. Dr. Geo. H. Johnston; "Diagnothia vs. Gothe," Dr. Jos. Coblentz; "Virtue Crowns Her Fol-lowers," Rev. Dr. J. H. Dubbs; "The Bright

Side of College Life," Maj. A. C. Reincehl;
"The College," Hon. John Cessna; "The
City of Lancaster," Mayor D. P. Rosenmiller; "Loyalty to F. and M." Hon. John

W. Killinger; "Our Fair Sisters," Hon. C. A. Little, Rev. Dr. J. W. Sautee made a

brief address and at la. in., the company broke up with "Auld Lang Sync."

Over a Hundred Members Sit Down to

Kieffer read a poem and Rev. Dr.

delivered a valedictory address.

take this matter into consideration.

and yield better fruit.

It happened that there had been among us for the better part of a year a young man who was a graduate of Jefferson college, then located at Canonsburg, Pa., who had been an active member of one of two rival literary societies, and was very zealous in advecting the wisdom and importance of singlevocating the wisdom and importance of similar organizations in the high school. His name was Samuel R. Fisher, and his roommate was J. H. Augustus Bomberger. Though a student in the theological seminary, Fisher freely associated and felt a lively sympathy with the students of the high school. He and his roommats had free nearly school. He and his room-mate had frequent school. He and his room-mate had frequent-ity discussed the question of rival societies among themselves. Besides the matter was time and again debated in private circles. Gradually the movement gained impetus, and at length a sufficient number declared

Gradually the movement gained impetus, and at length a sufficient number declared themselves ready for the decisive step; then the memorable meeting on the eighth of June was convened.

In recognition of the fact that Mr. Fisher had given the initiative to the movement, he was called to the chair, and John B. Cox, of Harrisburg, was made secretary. When the object of the meeting had been stated, two persons were appointed a committee to propose such a division of all persons present as they would think equal. The chair appointed John B. Cox and Jesse Steiner, who reported two lists of names, ten on the first list and ten on the second. On the first list stood Henry Williard, George W. Williard, Sannuel R. Fisher, John B. Cox, Moses Kieffer, Isaac H. McCanly, William F. Colliflower, Daniel G. Hinkle, Amos H. Kremer and Daniel Miller. On the second list stood the following names: Jacob Ziegler, Jesse Steiner, Andrew S. Young, Chas, F. McCauley, Isaac E. Hauser, George H. Martin, Michael Eyster, John R. Kooken, E. V. Gerhart and J. H. Augustus Bomberger.

This report of the committee dividing the

ger.
This report of the committee dividing the This report of the committee dividing the high school students present into two classes was unanimously accepted, and immediately the two divisions separated and convened, each in a room by itself. This transaction originated the Diagnothian and Gothean literary societies one year before the organition of Marshall college.

On that memorable evening of June eighth, when the members of the second division had convened by themselves, they resolved themselves into an association under the

themselves into an association under the name of the Diagnothian Literay society, and appointed Thursday evening, June eleventh, the time for the first regular

The first division assumed the name of Goethean at a later day, but at what time precisely this action was taken does not appear from the records.

pear from the records.

The first regular meeting of the Diagnothian Literary society was accordingly held on Thursday evening evening, June eleventh, at which Mr. Jacob Ziegler presided and Mr. Bomberger was secretary. A constitution which by informal common consent had been previously prepared by Samuel R. Fisher was then read, amended and adopted. The same instrument was sub-mitted to the other society at its first meeting. The two rival associations were accordingly organized, and began their eventful history on precisely the same foundation, each making a few amendments of the original constitution of Mr. Fisher according to its own judgment.

The first officers of Diagnothia elected under the constitution waves the following.

The first officers of Diagnothia elected under the constitution were the following: Andrew S. Young, president; E. V. Gerhart, vice president and treasurer, and J. H. A. Bomberger secretary. It is a fact worthy of record that of the four young men who were first called to hold office in the process of the organization of the society, three after the lapse of fifty years are living.

At the first regular meeting there were present electa members, not the ten only whose names were in the list of the second division reported on Monday evening. The Diagnothean society thus began her history with one member more than the Geethean. The particulars which led to this difference in favor of Diagnothia I do not recollect; and the orignal records are silent. But of the fact itself there is no room for doubt. That additional member who happened to be absent from the preliminary general meeting on Monday evening, June 8th, was my intimate friend and classmate, Charles A. Hay, who is now the Rev. Dr. Hay, and has for many years been an honored professor in the theological seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran church, Gettysburg, Pa. There are accordingly eleven men who were the founders of the Diagnomen who were the founders of the Diagnomen

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thean literary society. To be complete, the memorial tablet on the east wall of our present beautiful hall, standing north of F. and M. college, needs an additional name, a name that it is an honor to Diagnothia to have on the roll of her founders.

These eleven original regular member were all great men. As a matter of course they were superior to the Gotheans. They had more talent. They were all better orators; and stood higher in point of scholarship. This gave them a strong vantage ground. To bear off the palm of victory over the rival society it was only necessary to have an oppositivity in a fair contest to display their genius and learning, their tact and eloquence. All who could not discern the obvious superiority of Diagnothia were wanting in discriminating judgment, or were blinded by prejudice. Happily these great men could not lift the curtain of futurity and look forward through the coming events of the next 50 years. Could they have formen the roll of honor, the long array of distinguished lawyers and physicians and ministers, of doctors of law, doctors of divnity, of able statesmen in state legislatures and in the Congress of the United States, of captains, colonels and generals, of professors and presidents, judges and governors that were to be developed from this little protoplasm, they might have been pardoned if they had considered themselves to be infore noteworthy than any who promenaded the streets of the old town of Little York. But these great things were then mercifully hidden from their eyes. great things were then mercifully hidder

from their eyes.

Grant that these 11 young men many flave had a little more conceit than was convenient, and built some airy castles. Grant that their rivals may have been as strong and brilliant and vain as themselves. Yet in reality the originators

ment, and built some airy castles. Grant that their rivals may have been as strong and brilliant and vain as themselves. Yet in reality the originators of these two literary organizations laid a deeper and broader foundation than they understood or even anticipated in the highest flights of youthful imagination. And this evening, whilst we are celebrating the semi-centennial anniversary, it is becoming to declare the fact that of these 24 young men. 10 Gotheans and II Diagnotheans, the large todority have by dint of application and personnel service in the reality of knowleds, and religious gained a record that relieve hours of the original of these organizations, and remained writes in the reality of these organizations, and remained to the help of the lifeth of the profession of the second of the lifeth of the second of the lifeth of the life acquaintances bore the title of General Kooken served a pastoral charge first in Dauphin county, afterwards in Franklin county, when throat disease forced him to quit the pulpit, he conducted a school, one at Mercersburg, another Norristown. Here he successful in corenizing the first Referred Mercersburg, another Norristown. Here he succeeded in organizing the first Reformed church, of which the Rev. John O. Johnson is now pastor. When South Carolina fired upon the national flag floating over Fort Sumpter, General Kooken was living in retirement at the Trappe. The thunder of those batteries stirred his martial soul. He raised a company of volunteers in control gomery county, offered his services to Gov. Curtin, and then went to the front. Captain Kooken feil mortally wounded in the battle Kooken fell mortally wounded in the batt of Fredericsburg. He sleeps with the thor

sand heroes whose graves are marked un-The eight survivors, with one exception Isaac E. Hauser, entered the ministry, and isali of them, but one, are still active workinen. Steiner has for rearly 40 years been a zealous preacher of the gospel in the state of Ohio. Dr. McCauley has for more than a contracter of a century been the honored passes of a century been the honored passes of Readtor of the Second Reformed church of Reading. Dr. Martin has maintained the character of an able theologian and a faithful preacher in the state of Virginia for more than 40 years. Within the last 12 months he preacher in the state of Virginia for more than 40 years. Within the last 12 months he returned to Maryland, and is now pastor at Burkittviile. Dr. Bomberger has successive ly occupied some of the most prominent nul-pits in his church; and is now the president of Ursinus college, a position in the service of learning and religion he has been occupy-ing with ability for 12 or 15 years. Dr. Hay is a man of scholarship and culture, who is an honor to the oldest theological institution of the Lutheran church in America.

Of Mr. Hauser I have for many years lost track, but I recollect him as an upright and generous man, and a warm-hearted Diag-nothian, who I am sure has never done a The Rev. Jacob Ziegler was one of the most spirited and reliable among the founders. In early life, he was the paster at Bedford. In 1849 he became my successor at Gettys-burg. Later on he removed to York and was pastor of churches in the vicinity. Fidelity, efficiency, self-denial and devotion to the duties of his office distinguish his minister-ial career, which, ten or twelve years ago was interrupted by paralysis. There is still another interrupted by paralysis. There is still another of whom, however, I shall not venture to speak. Only this will I say of him, he was but midway between a boy and a man when Diagnothia was born. At that preliminary meeting, held on Monday evening, June 8th, 1835, he can see himself sitting on board, discately experients to the dismided a bench, directly opposite to the dignific officers, holding his mouth shut, but watch ing the proceedings with keen interest; and he has a distinct recollection of what then seemed to him to be the significant events of the evening. Though then unfit and unable to accomplish much, he has always felt proud of the part which it was his privilege to take in the organization of the Diagnothian Liter-

ary society.

The providence of God has so ordered the course of my life that, with the exception of about 13 years, my vocation has held me in close association with the history of this literary organization during the whole of the half century which is now closing. Looking lack worn these retiring decades, as memory back upon these retiring decades, as memory calls up the perils and escapes, the conflict and victories, the mistakes and ways of wis dom through which Diagnothia has passed, I feel that this joyous semi-centennial cele-bration is fully warranted by the enterprise, the fortitude, the aspirations and the deeds of moral heroism which distinguish her his-

Inspired by memories of the past, strong in the confidence of present stability, the future invites us to cheerful self-denial and liberal gifts in the service of classical education and Christian culture, Should not these celebrations of the fittleth anniversary of our organization, become a notable epoch of progress in the history of our alma mater?

# FORTY-NINTH COMMENCEMENT.

Pair Weather and Crowds in Attendance the Exercises—The Full Programme. The Forty-ninth commencement of Frank-tin and Marshall college was held in the college chapel to-day, the exercises commencing at 9 o'clock and continuing until noon. The weather was delightful and for an hour before the time announced for the opening of the exercises there was a constant stream of friends of graduates and of the institution flowing from the city and crowding the avenues leading to the college. Every seat in the chapel was occupied, and chairs and benches were placed in the aisles to accommodate late comers.

The faculty and trustees occupied seats on the platform at the north side, the graduates

The faculty and trustees occupied seats on the platform at the north side, the graduates arrayed in their gowns and caps occupying seats at the opposite end of the platform. There was one vacant chair over which was thrown the gown and cap of John H. Kerchner, of Macungie, a member of the class who died before completing his studies.

The exercises opened with a march from the "Beggar Student," which was finely rendered by the college orchestra, an excellent musical organization which furnished all the music for the occasion. Theu followed the exercises in the following order:

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Weiser.

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Musle—Overture—"Enchantment," Herman,
Salutatory—"Christianity a Civilizing Power,
Charles B. Schneder, Bowmansville, Pa.

Music—Selection—"Martha," Flotow.
Oration—"Progression," William A. Henne
berger, Greencastle, Pa.
Oration—"Alexander Hamilton," William H
Hagger, Lancaster, Pa.

Oration—"The Golden Mean," Daniel S. Kurtz, Lancaster. Pa.
Oration—"The Power of the Imagination," W. G. Haupt, Middletown. Md.
Muste—Waltz, "A Tol," Waldteufel.
Oration—"Communion with Nature," John P. Moyer, Union Deposit, Pa.
German Oration—"Der Mensch ein sittliches Wesen," J. Charles Hoch, Zellenople, Pa.
Music—Selection—"Le Diadem" (Herman.) Franklin Oration—"The Ornamental in Life," George W. Wagner, Myerstown, Pa.
Marshall Oration—"The Principle of Virtue," Joseph H. Apple, Jr., Sagertown, Pa.
Music—Waltz—"Showers of Gold" (Waldteufel.) fel.)
Valedictory—"Ne Quid Nimis," T. McCauley
Biser, Boonsboro, Md.
Musto—"Spring Song " (Mendelsohn.)
Conferring degrees.
Benedletion.
Musto—March—"A Day at Coney Island"

Music-March-"A Day et Coney Island (Cox.)

Following are the names of the members of the graduating class: Joseph H. Apple, jr., Sregertown, Pa; T. McCauley Biser, Boonsboro, Md.; Frank W. Bushong, Birdin-Hand, Pa.; Clarence H. Clark, Lancaster, Pa.; C. L. Frantz, Lancaster, Pa.; William H. Hager, Lancaster, Pa.; W. G. Haupt, Middletown, Md.; William A. Henneberger, Greencaste, Pa.; J. Charles Hoch, Zelienople, Pa.; G. Nicolas Ifft, Butler, Pa.; A. Frank Kalbach, Philadelphia, Pa.; John Keiser, Pittsburg, Pa.; Daniel S. Kurtz, Lancaster, Pa.; James C. Leiter, Frederick City, Md.; David Levan, Jacksonwald, Pa.; Frank Winders Mish, Clear Spring, Md.; Stewart U. Mitman, Hellertown, Pa.; John F. Moyer, Union Deposit, Pa.; Aaron Noll, New Columbia, Pa.; L. Audeuried Sallade, Tamaqua, Pa.; Charles S. Schneder, Bowmansville, Pa.; S. Charles Stover, Spring Mills, Pa.; George W. Wagner, Myerstown, Pa.; Massataka Yamanaka, Hiroshima, Ken., Japan.

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The degree of A. B., was conferred upon the above gentlemen, as well as other degrees to those whose names have been already published.

The chapel was not decorated with flowers.

Meeting of Board of Trustees

The board of trustees held a meeting in the college building this morning at 8 o'clock, to further consider the affairs of the academy. After a full discussion the board resolved to refer the matter to the academy committee in conjunction with the faculty of the college, giving them full powers in the premises, to assume the debt of the academy which is about \$500, and continue the academy under its present management, or close it, if in their judgment it is best to do so.

The members of the board among them selves subscribed \$1,400 of the \$3,000 necess. ry to complete the Daniel Scholl observatory Worthilly Bestowed. rom the Allentown City Item.

The board of trustees of Franklin and Mar shall college, have conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. Alfred Dubbs, the esteemed pastor of Salem's Reformed church, of this city. This is a high honor, but it could not have been more worthily bestowed. Rev. Dubbs is one of the most eloquent preachers in the Reformed church, and is listened to every Sunday by large and deeply interested audiences.

# TO BE BROUGHT TO LANCASTER

Noted Free Thinker Whose Body Will Cremated in This City.
FOSTER'S CROSSING, Ohio, June 18.—The emains of Orson S. Murray, the noted atheist, will be taken to Laneaster, Pa., to night for cremation. At the funeral cere monies an address was read which had been written by Murray on his death bed, singularly headed: " Death bed thoughts of Orson S. Murray." His belief was that with the ndividual existence completely ended.

He died on Tuesday night, aged 79, at h residence in Warren county, Ohio, 27 miles from Cincinnati. He was one of th original Abolitionists of the country, coming from Vermont, where he was conductor on the underground railway that ran fugitive slaves into Canada His radical notions made him the object of persecution and sometimes of mob violence He was an intolerant opponent of the li quor traffic; generally opposed to bot political parties, though sometimes a Repub lican, he supported Hoadly for governor. He was a radical free thinker on religion and had very little regard for Sabbataria views. He wore very long, uncut and unshorn hair and was striking in his appear ance. His son, Charles B. Murray is editor of the Price Courant, a trade journal in Cincinnati and his relatives have no special de sire for privacy at the cremation of his body, which is expected to take place at the La caster crematorium on Friday evening.

Boston, June 18 .- A Hartford special the Herald says, that the Rev. C. Everst whose salary of \$10,000 a year is the larges paid to any clergyman in Connecticut, will on the first Sunday in July, preach his farewell sermon as pastor of the Corner Congregational church tween Mr. Everst and the organist, Mr. Paine, as to the character of music to be selected. Paine unwilling to admit any thing the highest order. The quarrel grew until Paine finally resigned in a huff, after playing, it is said, as his final, a dexterously disguised version of "Way Down Upon the Suwanee River," Paine's sympathizers have arrayed themselves against the pastor and the latter, being a high spirited gentle-man, has resigned. Mr. Everst has had years of service in New York and Chicago. owns a large farm in Dakota.

Whitney Asks Garland's Advice WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.-The secre tary of the navy to-day sent to Attorney General Garland a copy of the report of the board appointed in April last to examine and report upon the dispatch boat, Dolphin, and requested an opinion by the department of justice as to the responsibility of the Navy department for certain defects in the vessel, which the report of the board details, including those of structural weakness, a lack of requisite stiffness, and deficiency of speed.

M. Baurce, reported to have been appointed French minister to the United States is a gentleman who has been in the diplomatic service of his country twenty-five years.

The narrow majority by which the foreign estimates were passed yesterday has so embarrassed the Italian government that the entire ministry this morning tendered their resignation to the king.

Henry Onderdonk, of Hagerstown, Md., has received from Panama information that Ecuador has made an alliance with Chili to back up Ecuador in the Santos case.

John Teemer, the oarsman, accompanied by Mr. Fullwood, sporting editor of the Pittsburg Leader, arrived in Buffalo, N. Y. shortly before noon to-day, to meet Edward Hanlan and arrange for a race, or series of races at an early date. Hanlan is expected in the afternoon train from Toronto.

230 MINERS ENTOMBED.

THE RESULT OF A TERRIBLE EX-PLOSION OF FIRE DAMP.

fears That the Imprisoned Men Will Be suffocated or Burned to Death-Agontains Scenes at the Entrances to the Mine-The Efforts to Rescue the Imperilled.

MANCHESTER, June 18 .- A terrible explo sion of fire damp occurred to-day in the Clif-ton Hall colliery near this city. There were of whom have been rescued. Two hundred and thirty are entombed, and it is feared that they will be either suffocated or burned to death. Great excitement prevails, and the scenes in the vicinity of the mine are heartrending. Wives, mothers and relatives are congregated near the entrances crying and shricking and imploring God to save the loved ones imprisoned below.

The cages used by the exploring parties got stuck in descending the shaft and delayed them fully two hours. They have not as yet succeeded in reaching the imprisoned miners. The rescued men say that at the time of th explosion they rushed to the bottom of the main shaft and barely got there with their lives. They are entirely ignorant of the fate of those they left behind.

ONE HUNDRED RESCUED. One hundred of the imprisoned miners i

the Clifton Hall colliery have been rescued. It is now thought that the remainder, about 130 in all, have perished.

TEN TONS OF POWDER EXPLODE. two Men Use the Door of a Powder House i a Target With Fatal Results.

PUEBLO, Col., June 18.-At 3:30 yesterday afternoon, a terrible explosion occurred about one and a half miles south of the Bessemen steel works near the Denver & Rio Grand of track. It was discovered that a powder magazine containing about 10 tons of giant pow der had exploded. On arriving at the place, John Weaver was found dead about 400 feet from the magazine, and Charles Nelson was found frightfully mangled. The men were practising shots with rifles, using the doo of the powder house as a target. They had fired two shots safely, but the third sho caused the explosion. The building was de-stroxed, and where it stood there is a hole in the ground of feet deep and 30 feet in diame-ter. The sound of the explosion was heard at Canon City, 45 me. The strong of the passen-ing in here at the time was lifted from the train by the shock, but none of the passen-gers were hurt. Nelson will die to the in-ingias. The mean was presented. uries. The men were unmarried. The may azine was in an isolated position, and no other

us Charge Against an Illinois Legisla SPRINGFIELD, Ills., June 18.-F. H. Tubbs, superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company, testified yesterday beforo a legislative investigating committee that during February of last year, he was called upon at the Leland hotel, this city, by Representative Baker, of Moultrie county, who offered to kill the telegraph bill for \$2,500; that of this sum \$500 was to be given Baker for himself and the remainder to be distributed among other persons. The testimony occasioned quite a sensation among the ommitteemen and a summons was at once sent to Mr. Baker, who soon appeared and being sworn said that he knew Mr. Tubbs and had talked with him upon several occasions. He explicitely denied having made any such proposition to Mr. Tubbs or any one else of the character referred to.

property was destroyed

NEW ORLEANS, La., June 18. - Director T. H. Buck, of the World Exposition, started last night for Washington, to make arrange ments for securing the \$335,600 appropriated by the last Congress for payment of the claims of the foreign creditors of the Exposi tion. This sum, together with the amoun the old company will receive from the new company for the plant, etc., will be sufficient to pay all the former company creditors in

A Newspaper Man in Hot Water. Louisville, Ky., June 18.-Frank W. Gregory, a reporter on the Commercial, who ame here about three weeks ago from Terre Haute, Indiana, was arrested last evening or a charge of embezziement, committed at Terre ious newspapers of Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Lafayette and Crawfordsville, Indiana. He is about 28 years old and respectably onnected in Indiana.

DUBLIN, June 18 .- Mr. William O'Brief M. P., for Mallow, has been ordered by his physicians to take a long rest and change air. They also advise him to avoid all excite ment and political work of any kind. Mr. O'Brien is worn out from overwork, and suffering greatly from nervous trouble.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 18.-A telegra says that in Calloway county, Kentucky, on Tuesday, a man named Farris slapped his wife's face, whereupon James Hart, he father, and her brother Tom remonstrated A fight ensued, in which Harris, after fatally wounding young Hart with a knife, stabbed and killed his father-in-law. Farris surren dered himself. There is much excitemen over the affair.

Fearing Robbers, He Killed Himself. NEWCOMERSTOWN, Ohio, June 18 .- Elijah Baltzley, a prominent and wealthy farmer, residing a few miles north of Stone Creek awakened in the night and imagined that a thief had entered his room and was about to rob and murder him. He drew his revolver and shot himself through the head in his ex-

Charged With Embezzling Partnership Fund DETROIT, Mich., June 18.—Gov. Alger will take legal advice in the case of Wm. Mullen formerly of Pittsburg, who was arrested here Tuesday on a requisition from the governor f Pennsylvania, charged with embezzling the funds of his partner, Maloney. Mullen will remain in the hospital in custody of the police until the governor is advised whether or not to deliver him to the Pittsburg deter

Parnell May Visit the United States. LONDON, June 18.-It is understood that Mr. Charles Stewart Parnell, M. P., seriously contemplates visiting the United States ac companied by a few chosen followers, with a view of collecting funds for electioneering purposes in the autumn parliamentary cam

Alarming Spread of Cholera.
MADRID, June 18.—The cholera is spread ing at an alarming rate. From the cities of Murcia, Valencia and Castellon, a total of 632 new cases and 151 deaths are reported to have occurred within the past 24 hours. At Madrid one death is reported and six new

Went Down With 137 Souls on Bo PARIS, June 18 .- A dispatch from Aden to he admiralty office confirms the reported loss of the French man-of-war Renard. The dispatch states that the vessel foundered in the Indian ocean during a cyclone and every one on board, 127 souls in all, perished.

LONDON, June 18.—The bank of Englar rate of discount remains unchanged.

GRANT'S CONDITION.

PRICE TWO CENT

ewhat Improved This Morning Under Mount McGregor, New York, June Gen. Grant's condition is somewhat impronervous excitement from which he was of fering last evening has almost wholly pass away and this morning he is much composed away and this morning he is much composed. The general arose between eight and nine o'clock after a fair night's rest. His throat was examined by Dr. Douglass, and it was found to be in a fairly good condition. After it was cleansed the general partock of some light nourishment. At 10 o'clock he took a seat on the press.

seat on the porch, and subsequently walked up and down its length several times.

The weather this morning is delightful.
The air is cool and bracing, and refreshing The air is cool and bracing, and refreshing breezes sweep across the mountains at inter-vals. The members of the household are unxiously awaiting the arrival of Dr. Sar who will hold a consultation with Dr. Douglass and by a thorough examination define the patient's true condition. Dr. Doug-lass expresses the belief that the patient is now fast recovering from the fatigue and discomfiture consequent on his fourney here.

NO CAUSE FON ALARM. MOUNT McGREGOR, N. Y., June 18 .- Dr. Sands arrived at the depot at 11:30 o'clock.
He was met by Dr. Douglas and Col. Fred.
Grant. To a United Press reporter Dr.
Douglas stated that the patient was resting quietly and seemed to have almost entirely recovered from the apprehension of a sud-den demise, over which he was so much now no cause for alarm. Before leaving the house he took the patient's pulse and found it quite regular, registering about 72 Dra Douglas and Sand were at once driven to the cottage and are now consulting preparatory o making an examination.

A NUMBER OF APPOINTMENTS.

Collectors of Customs and Postmast the Glad Tidings. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.-The president to-day appointed Wm. L. Bancroft to be collector of customs for the district of Huron. Michigan.

The president has also appointed Israel Lawton superintendent of the mint of the United States at San Francisco, and A. L. King, of Arkansas, receiver of public moneys at Harrison, Arkansas,

The president to-day commissioned the following named postmasters: Edward P. Rutherford, Clarksville, Texas; Enoch A. McLeod, Palmyra, Mo.; Richard C. Piatt, Napa City, Cal.; Lloyd Reed, Clarksburg,

The president has also appointed the folwing collectors of customs : Wm. J. Howard, district of Beautort, N. C., and John A. ichardson, district of Newbern, N. C. The president to-day appointed the follow-

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Henry Kilberry, Jackson, Ohio.
J. G. Johnson, Peabody, Kansas
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John W. Dundo, Britann, Texas
Samuel W. Shioi & Morrisown, and J. P.

Cook, Kenton, Ohio.

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The President Will See Wis Collers.
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.—The rep that the president will stop serior of seeking visitors after July 1, is officially tradicted. The president will throughout the summer to see and dee much time as possible to his callers

Washington, D. C., June Islande Island Hard General Wm. P. Cariin III ordered to relieve Gen. Wesley Merrits of ommand of the military academy, at W Point, in August, and that General may be ordered to organize and coming

Preparing for the But sheldi serias NEW YORK, June 18 .- In his speech at the anquet in France just before the saliing of the Isere, M. Bartholdi said that four months would be required to put the states together on its pedestal, but competent engineers are confident that the work can be accomplished in a shorter time. General Stone is confident that the pedestal will be ready for the signifabout the middle of August. The mid at Bedloe's Island will interrupt the work for a few days, as some hoisting unchines will be needed for transferring cases from the Isere, but the interred will be made as brief as possible. It marked with a considerable degree of ishment that M. Roustan, the French minister at Washington, has declined an invits tion to be present at the ceremonies connection with the reception or of the officers of the Isere.

Fatally Shot for Crossing a Field. SPRINGPIELD, Ill., June 18.-Walter S. Amos, aged 18, attempted to walk across a field belonging to Rush & Brother, adjoining the city, when a man named John Mosier, aged 50, who was plowing, called to him to stop. The boy did so, whereupon Moster ieliberately walked up to within five feet of him and fired at him with a shot gun, inflicting a wound in his side as large as a man's ist. Mosier then went on with his plowing until afternoon when he was arrested. He seemed perfectly sane and says he was justified in shooting Amos, because he had no business to cross the land. Amos was the only support of a widowed mother. He will

Ferdinand Ward's Trial Postponed. NEW YORK, June 18.—Ferdinand Ward the ex-banker and financier, looked pale and careworn when he was taken into the court ot over and terminer to-day. Ward was present for trial upon one of the various indictments, charging him with grand larceny in the first degree for having stolen funds of the Maine National bank. The trial had, however, by previous arrangement, been postponed until next Monday, and Ward taken back to Ludlow street jail.

Death of a Sea Captain NEW YORK, June 18.—Captain Richard Brown who sailed the yacht Dauntless in the race when the Queen's cup was won, died this morning at his residence, 89 Adelphi street, Brooklyn.

Indians Cross the Mexican Border. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.-Colonel Bradley telegraphs from Fort Bayard, New

Mexico, that all the Indians in that territory

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

The Condition of the Barometer and Thermometer and Indications for the Morrow. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.—For the Middle Atlantic states, fair weather, statery followed by slight rise in temperate

ary followed by slight rise in temperature, variable winds.

Light local rains have fallen in the South Atlantic and West Gulf states; elsewhere fair weather has prevailed. The winds are generally northerly in the districts bordering on the Atlantic, westerly in the Lake region, southerly in Upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys. and Missouri valleys.

The temperature has fallen slightly in New York the Middle.

England, the southern portion of the M Atlantic states and the South Atlantic s and it has remained nearly stationary districts. FOR FRIDAY - Fair, slightly warmer weather is indicated for the New England

and Middle Atlantic states, the Lake z and Ohio valley.