

SCHURMAN AS THEIR GUEST

ANNUAL DINNER OF THE CORNELL ALUMNI.

Distinguished President of the University Tells of the Growth, Standing and Aim of the Celebrated New York School—Rev. Dr. James McLeod, Colonel George Sanderson and J. Benj. Dimmick Respond for the Other Big Schools—James Gardner Sanderson Acts as Toastmaster.

The Cornell alumni of Northeastern Pennsylvania held their annual banquet at the Jermyn last night, and entertained as the guest of honor, Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman, president of the university.

Although not as large in point of attendance as some of the college banquets, it was not a whit less enjoyable than the largest of them, and the presence of the distinguished head of the university tended to make it an affair memorable in the history of local alumni gatherings.

The affair took place in the cozy breakfast room on the second floor, George B. Davidson, president of the society, was chairman, and James



DR. JACOB GOULD SCHURMAN.

Gardner Sanderson, toastmaster. Guests besides Dr. Schurman were Rev. James McLeod, D. D., representing Princeton; Colonel George Sanderson, representing Harvard; J. Benj. Dimmick, representing Yale, and E. D. Fellows, secretary of the Scranton school board.

ALUMNI PRESENT.

The alumni present, in addition to those mentioned, were: C. P. Davidson, J. T. Sanderson, George A. Douce, F. Platt, Myron Kesson, E. B. Williams, George E. Stevenson, of Scranton; J. S. Pettibone, W. P. Davenport, B. W. Davis, Harry L. French, Douglas Bunting, of Wilkes-Barre; Prof. R. B. Howland, of Wyoming seminary; Dr. H. L. Whitney, of Plymouth; Frank W. Cool, of Pittston; C. V. Amerman, of Danville.

The dining began at 6.30 o'clock and lasted nearly two hours. At its conclusion, Chairman Davidson opened the speaking by welcoming President Schurman and reading a letter of regret from Rev. Dr. Charles M. Tyler, of Ithaca, whom the alumni had hoped would be one of the guests.

James Gardner Sanderson, upon being introduced as toastmaster, made reference to the remarkable growth of Cornell during the decade that President Schurman has been at its head, and then introduced President Schurman to respond to the toast "Cornell."

Dr. Schurman's response was in the nature of a survey of Cornell's growth and standing. Speaking of the Yale bicentennial, the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Harvard and the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Princeton, all of which were recent celebrations, he said that one cannot attend these without being brought to the realization of the advantage a university enjoys by reason of that one circumstance of age.

"Yale, Harvard and Princeton enjoy this enormously," he went on to say. "Cornell is new. It has to stand on merit. I am not saying we have more merit than any other university. That would be an uncharitable thing. What I would bring out is that Cornell has not the advantage of the circumstance of age. This being the case, the present position of Cornell in the college world is something of which Cornellsians can well be proud. Having nothing but a present, she has taken, according to the consensus of public opinion, a place among the great universities of the land."

Dr. Schurman then gave some interesting statistics concerning the university.

GROWTH OF MEMBERSHIP. This year the increase in the number of students as compared with last year is greater than that of Yale, Princeton and Harvard combined. Cornell now has 2,800 students, of which 1,700 were enrolled at this time last year.

Half of these students come from the state of New York. The other half represent every state in the United States, except Nevada, Idaho and South Dakota. Pennsylvania contributes more than two hundred, Illinois, New Jersey and Ohio have each more than one hundred representatives in the student body. Canada, Mexico, Cuba, Porto Rico, Brazil, Peru, Argentine Republic, Ecuador, Switzerland, Russia, Austria, Turkey, Australasia, China, Japan, Korea, all send students to Cornell.

An even 1,000 students are in the departments of arts and sciences and about a thousand is in the engineering department. The other 800 are divided among the various other departments, law, medicine, agriculture, veterinary, architecture and the like.

Referring to the criticism of Cornell, sometimes indulged in, that it is utilitarian and materialistic, President Schurman declared:

"Wherever human knowledge, organized as it is in science, can accomplish some good result—the new application of a force, the making of two blades of grass to grow where there were none before or the like—there is the mission of Cornell university."

Cornell has been very fortunate, he said, in the matter of endowments and gifts. The recent munificent donation of a medical school by Colonel Payne of New York was referred to as an instance of the latter. The entire property of Cornell, Dr. Schurman said, is valued at \$11,000,000. It has interest-bearing endowments amounting to \$7,000,000. The fees of students amount to \$200,000, although it is required that 600 students of the state of New York be educated free. The ex-

pense budget for the present year is \$2,900,000.

FACULTY OF OVER 300. In 1881, Cornell had between three hundred and four hundred students. Today it has a faculty of over three hundred. Cornell's growth, her hold on her people, her material resources, must make everyone recognize, said the speaker, that she is firmly established.

In concluding, President Schurman said it was the first time he had visited Scranton, but he trusted it would not be the last.

Prof. Howland, of Wyoming seminary, next gave some interesting reminiscences of the early days of Cornell.

Brief responses were made by Colonel Sanderson, Rev. Dr. McLeod and Mr. Dimmick, to testify to their respective colleges, and the banquet was brought to a close by all rising and singing "Alma Mater."

Following the banquet a business session of the alumni association was held, at which officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, James Gardner Sanderson, of Scranton; vice president, Douglas Bunting, of Wilkes-Barre; secretary, H. L. French, of Wilkes-Barre; treasurer, B. W. Davis, of Wilkes-Barre; executive committee, F. J. Platt, of Scranton; Frank Cool, of Pittston, and J. S. Pettibone, of Wilkes-Barre.

President Schurman came here direct from Ithaca, arriving on the Lackawanna at 2.30 p. m. He leaves early this morning for New York to attend a meeting of the faculty of the Cornell medical school, which is located in the metropolis.

Effort was made by The Tribune to have him discuss the report of the Philippine commission, made public yesterday, but he declined, for the reason that he is engaged in the preparation of an extended article on this subject.

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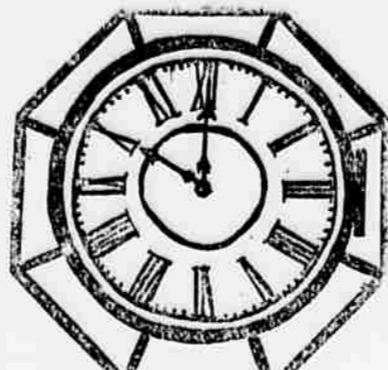
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MORNING SALES.

Sale No. 1 Begins Promptly at 10 O'clock.



Toweling desirable for kitchen uses. The regular value is 6c a yard. For this hour only, price a yard 24c

SALE OF FINE ORANGES—All the world loves a good sweet orange, and especially on Christmas. So we make this offering today in our Grocery Store that you may lay in a supply. They are Navel Oranges, direct from California. Regularly sold for 35c a dozen. Price a dozen, during this hour 29c

SALE OF DATES—This is another help to those who are preparing for Christmas. These we offer as fresh, new Dates of very fine quality. Price a pound, 62c

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SALE OF RIBBONS—An opportunity not to be missed. These Ribbons are all Silk Taffetas, 3-1/2 and 4 inches wide. Come in all the new shades. Regular value 25c a yard. For this hour they go at, yard 9c

SALE OF TORCHON LACE—Fine Torchon Lace and Insertion to match. Widths from 1 to 4 inches, with a splendid value. Will sell for one hour, at per yard, 24c

Sale No. 2 Begins promptly at 11 O'clock.



SALE OF PERFUMES—Choose from hundreds of fancy boxes of Perfume at this time for much less than worth. All odors are in the assortment. Each bottle is in a single box. Price 19c

SALE OF LADIES' WRAPPERS ON SECOND FLOOR—This offering gives you an opportunity to choose a sensible as well as a handsome gift for little outlay of money. The Wrappers offered are our regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 Percale and Flannelette Wrappers. They are very nicely made and trimmed; all styles. Price, each 97c

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SALE OF UMBRELLAS—A Lady's 26-inch Silk Corolla Umbrella; natural wood handles; the Princess style; good, strong frame. A very useful present. At this hour 89c

SALE OF DOLLS—A handsomely dressed Doll—kid body or full jointed Doll; extra large size. Regular value 69c. Try them for this hour at, each 17c

AFTERNOON SALES.

Sale No. 1 Begins Promptly at 2 O'clock.

GREAT SALE IN THE BASEMENT—Hundreds of people would appreciate any of these articles we offer today for Christmas gifts; and it's hardly necessary to descant upon their practicality. The main point is to be here when the sale begins if you want your share of them. This tells about them:

NIC LE PLATED LAMPS—Central Draft Burner. Sale price, each 51.19

FINE VASES—Handsomely mounted in bronze. They stand twelve inches high. Wonderfully cheap for 59c

STEINS—These are Flemish stone ware, with metal tops. Each stein will hold half a pint; nice for practical use or ornamentation. Try them this hour, each 37c

CRACKER JARS—These are cut glass patterns, with silver-plated tops. At this hour try them for nearly half worth. Price 45c

14-QUART RETIENED DISH PANS, worth regularly a half more. Sale Price, 23c

JARDINIERES—Solid glaze colorings and full eight inch size. Real worth is 75c each. Sale price 35c

BOHEMIAN GLASS VASES—These stand 14 and 15 inches high. Three styles of decorations to choose from. Regular worth is 75c each. At this hour buy them for, 33c

PARLOR ROCKERS—Go to the Third Floor today by all means and get one or more of these handsome Rockers. They are oak and mahogany finish, with velvet upholstered seats with brass nail trimming. Real value \$2.50. Sale price, each 1.98

BOYS' EXPRESS WAGONS—Toy Land in the Basement fairly abounds with excellent offerings for today. These Wagons are good size, have iron axles and iron tires on wheels. A regular \$1.25 wagon in every respect. For this hour they go, each 89c

DRESSED DOLLS—Near the sale of Wagons these pretty Dolls will be sold. They have jointed bodies, fine faces and curly hair. Try them at this hour today for, price, each 75c

SALE OF LADIES' PETTICOATS—Hundreds of people have wished we would give another sale of these handsome black Mercerized Sateen Petticoats. The main point about their popularity is the excellent quality of material used in their making and the excellent workmanship on them. There is a fine big lot of them here for this week's sale, and if those who have failed to get hold of them at the other two sales will be here promptly at 3 o'clock, we are quite sure you will succeed in being supplied. They go on sale on Second Floor. Price, each 90c

SALE OF CANDY—A choice assortment of Mixed Candy for one hour, per pound, 8c

SALE OF SLIPPERS AND JERSEY CLOTH LEGGINGS—The Slippers offered in this sale are for men and women. The men's have solid leather soles and imitation alligator tops; opera style. The women's are Crochet Slippers with lamb's wool soles; all popular shades to choose from. The Leggings are all wool Jersey Cloth with buttons on side; they reach above the knee. Sizes for children 2 to 10 years of age. The regular value of these goods in this offering is \$1.00 to \$1.25 a pair. At this hour take your choice of any for, a pair 66c

BOYS' UNDERWEAR—These are the popular fleece lined; Shirts and Drawers. All sizes, 21 to 34. Sale price a garment 21c

TABLE AND SIDE-BOARD COVERS—These are fancy Crochet Covers, excellent designs and very desirable. The Table Covers are sizes 30 by 30 inches. The Side-board Covers are 16 by 70 in. Their real worth is 25c each. At this hour choose for, each 14c

BOYS' CORDUROY KNEE PANTS—These are dark colors; have best waist-bands and taped seams; sizes 4 to 15 years. At this hour buy them on Second Floor for, a pair 39c

LADIES' SKIRTS—These are fine Melton, Serge and Striped Tweed Skirts, with twelve and eighteen rows of stitching around the bottom—some have satin band trimmings. All lengths are in the assortment. Their regular price is \$3.98 to \$4.98 each. At this hour, on Second Floor, price each \$2.95

SALE OF PICTURES—On Third Floor. Choose Pictures for gifts any time and you'll not go amiss. These in today's sale are fine-similes of high-priced water colors and colored photos. They are in fine gilt frames, sizes 8 by 18 and 10 by 12 inches, with white and gilt mats. Choose from hundreds of subjects for, each 45c

WOMEN'S WOOLEN HOSE—These are extraordinary good Quarter Dollar Hose, but you shan't pay that much for them here today. They come in natural and Oxford grey mixtures. Price, pair 19c

SALE OF BOYS' CAPS—On Second Floor. Here is a great opportunity to buy a cap for the boy's Christmas present. In today's sale, such styles as Golf, Yacht and Plush Polo Caps are offered. Every cap here has an extra band to pull down over the ears on cold days. Choose any at this hour for, 21c

SALE OF SILKOLINE COMFORTS—Simple, sensible and good-looking article will make a grand Christmas present. No argument is necessary for their necessity. Those in today's sale are fancy on one side and plain on the other. The filling is clean and pure white cotton. Usual price is \$1.25. Today buy them for, 91c

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