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PRESIDENT ANDREWS' RETURN.

A warm welcome to President Andrews. Dr. Andrews took passage on the steamer Gascogne of the French Transatlantic line, arriving at quarantine at 4.20 and at the New York slip at 8.30 yesterday morning. About two hours were consumed in the custom house. Leaving New York at 1 o'clock, he arrived home at 6.30 last evening.

Mrs. Andrews and Mr. G. A. Andrews will remain abroad until August. Mrs. Andrews, suffering with a throat trouble, did not care to exchange the balmy air of France for the rigor of our New England winter.

Lecture on Dante by Professor Thomas Davidson.

The first lecture in the course to be delivered by Prof. Thomas Davidson of New York at the Women's College was given yesterday afternoon.

The speaker said those who expected that merely the literary subject would be dealt with would perhaps be disappointed. Dante's work is not mere literature. The "Divine Comedy" was an event in history. It was meant to give an account of the character and tendencies and to trace Christian civilization from one end to another. Carlyle says it is the most sincere book ever written.

Utilitarian moralists who set out by maintaining that the moral worth of human actions was determined by the quantity of pleasure they produced found themselves after a time compelled to introduce the element of quality into their reckoning and to admit that other things being equal the action which produced a higher quality of pleasure was more moral than that which produced a lower quality. No sooner, however, had they done this than they were faced by the question what is to be the test of the highness and lowness. It could not be pleasure. Various standards were set up, such as intensity, length, purity, which soon proved to be mere forms of quantity. Then it was supposed, or assumed, that man possessed a moral sense capable of estimating the quality of pleasure. But then came the question: What is the scale upon which this sense estimates the highness or lowness? Modern moralists have never answered this question and have at best taken refuge in an inward sense of duty. But in the middle ages thinkers had a well defined scale of moral worth. They said in the moral scale that which has the more being is the higher; and this being was said to consist of the elements:

power, wisdom, love. It is this standard which is the "kingdom of God and His righteousness."

History I believe to be a moral process, and that alone,—a process for the realization of will, wisdom and love in ever growing and multiplying personalities—the realization of God, is just these, in man. If history be not this, then so far as I see it is utterly meaningless and futile. When, therefore, I speak of Dante's or anyone's "place in history" I mean his place in this process, his relation to this three-fold end.

The Aryans and Semites are the ones who have made history, but behind these two was the Hamitics. This is the earliest settled race. To this people are due agriculture, architecture, settled government and the art of writing. This government is despotic, their religion polytheistic, of a physical kind. On the whole it is a material civilization, embodying will and intelligence but not reverential love.

Zoroaster introduces among his countrymen a monotheism which bears a most striking resemblance to that introduced by Moses among the Hebrews, and which there is every reason to believe came from the same source, whatever that may have been. Had Zoroasterism kept pure it might have paved the way for a true civilization. It is remarkable to see how near it came to the true conception.

The western Aryans and Samites had a better fate. In them the main stream of history flows. If Karl Martell had not conquered, Europe might have had Mohammedism; if the Greeks had not been successful at Marathon, Zoroasterism might have been the religion of Europe.

The historical beginning of Monotheism was Abraham's leaving of the Chaldees. The second command sent the Hebrews from Egypt back to Abraham's land. After the wandering in the wilderness the history of this people is a struggle between monotheism and polytheism, until returning from bondage they at last settle for the worship of the true God at Jerusalem. Now the spiritual is far different from the merely civilized and Jew and Gentile mark a great distinction. But not till the coming of Christ is true conception reached. Here the Divine consciousness gets full scope. While the Jews were doing this the Aryan Greeks were developing self-consciousness. In the Christian religion God's consciousness is to be realized. In the Greeks, self-consciousness as distinguished on the one hand from mere consciousness and on the other, God consciousness reaches its fullest develop-

ment in the two forms of philosophy, and art.

The Greek spirit reaches its highest expression in Plato and Aristotle. Then its work is done. The Hebrew's work ends with the coming of Christ. Now what is realized must be extended to the whole race and Christ commands that the gospel be preached to every creature.

The inward struggle of the Christian church was between the highest form of Aryan philosophy and the highest form of semitic religion. The outward struggle was between the Roman empire as the embodiment of philosophic justice and the church as the embodiment of faith, hope and love.

Such was the condition when Dante came and the abuses ended in the reformation which purified, while at the same time it sundered the church.

Dante's place in history rests upon the fact that he was the first man to comprehend the condition of human affairs in his time. He was as truly a prophet as was Isaiah.

Dante was the first man who saw the true relations of the earthly and spiritual kingdom and outlined a method for their work.

The Glee Club.

The Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Club returned from its Christmas tour the day after that holiday. During the week and a half which they were absent concerts were given every night in and about New York city, with great success. The leading New York papers gave the clubs very flattering notices. This is the first long tour that Brown's musical organizations have taken for several seasons and the management is to be congratulated on its successful outcome.

A trip as far south as Florida is in contemplation for the Easter vacation.

Art and Architecture of Ancient Egyptians.

The first of a series of four illustrated lectures upon Egyptian subjects was given last evening by Prof. Dickerman of Brown 1851 in Sayles Hall.

The speaker in his introductory remarks stated that the human race did not spring in one bound to its present state of civilization. Powerful influences exerted unconsciously for ages had brought this about. The ancient civilization of Egypt was one of the greatest factors in this development.

The Egyptians had special facilities for erecting monuments which by their permanence would testify concerning their high state of civilization. The land abounded in quarries of soft limestone;

sandstones of various kinds were also present and owing to the scarcity of wood their work was of necessity in stone. The land was for a large part of the year overflowed by the fertile Nile and for this reason workmen were plenty. The study of these ancient monuments of art, surrounded by the environments of their own land, awakens emotions which no pictures can produce.

The pyramids are one of the most striking features of Egyptian art. There are 66 of these structures scattered along the Nile. The earliest royal tombs were pyramids.

The great pyramid, the largest of the seven wonders of the world, contains two chambers for kings, and not one for a king and the other for a queen, as some persons have supposed. The stone of which it is constructed is a soft, spongy limestone. There is no ground whatever for the chemical theory that the stone blocks were manufactured from cement. The quarries that furnished the material are not far distant and contain immense caverns from which the stone was taken. The base of the pyramid is constructed of a reddish granite, which was floated from quarries situated 500 miles up the Nile. Notwithstanding the various opinions and theories set forth concerning the origination and purpose of the great pyramid we know in reality but little about it and must class it with many another mystery which we have as yet been unable to explain.

Professor Dickerman's second lecture will take place Wednesday evening, Jan. 4.

Commencement.

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The forty-ninth annual convention of the fraternity was held at Parker's, in Boston, last week. Hon. W. P. Pepper presided.

On Christmas day a steam pipe in Sayles Hall bursted and a number of engravings and books in the German Seminar were damaged by the steam.

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The HERALD wishes a Happy New Year
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The HERALD will, with its usual benev-
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Saturday. Those desiring to take advan-
tage of our low advance rate should heed
the warning. The business manager's
office hours for this week are from 11 to
12 each day.

It has been proposed to form an ice
polo club from among the students who
frequent the ice ponds and who skilfully
wield the "shinny" sticks. It would be
a better scheme in our opinion, to form
clubs from each class and play out a short
schedule for the championship of the
college. Skating is one of the most
healthful of out-door winter sports and a
series of polo games on the ice could not
help but increase the popularity of the
sport.

The collegians have now taken to playing chess for the
sake of attracting new hordes of Freshmen. Almost any-
thing seems to win students excepting hard study, which
is kept more and more in the background.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL.

Such squibs as the one above might be
expected of some "moss-back" country
weekly, but scarcely of a supposed
modern daily in a modern city. One
might infer that we know enough, and
that colleges and institutions of learning
could now be abolished.

The Freshman class has the material
for an excellent ball team this spring and
a meeting should soon be held for the
purpose of electing a manager. Training
should commence within a month and if
games are to be arranged with Freshman

nines of other colleges the manager should
soon be at work with his correspondence.
The class of '95 made a fine showing
last year against the Harvard Freshmen,
and as this club will not be able to meet
Yale this season, a series of two or three
games could probably be arranged with
Brown. And above all it would give
unbounded satisfaction if our Freshmen
could trounce the Amherst "freshies."

Harvard-Yale Team Race.

Mr. Cornish, of the Boston Athletic
Association, is trying to arrange for a
team race between Harvard and Yale, to
take place at the winter meeting of the
B. A. A. No definite arrangements were
made by the management of the Yale
Athletic Association, but it is probable
that the invitation will be accepted. The
race will be a mile long and each college
is to send four contestants who will relieve
one another at each quarter mile.

Commencement Day at Chicago.

When is the University at Chicago to
have its commencement day? It is
understood that men and women may
present themselves for examination for
degrees and for graduation at four differ-
ent times of the year. By a vote of
board of trustees taken on Tuesday last,
it was decided to hold what shall be
called a University Convocation, on the
first evening of every quarter. At this
meeting, which will be an official meeting
of the university, degrees will be con-
ferred, honors will be bestowed, an-
nouncements of fellowships and scholar-
ships and of new members of the faculty
will be made. The first University Con-
vocation will be held Jan. 2, 1893. It
will not be, I take it, the custom of the
university to have addresses by those
who are graduating, but rather an ad-
dress by some person not in residence at
the university, on some theme of general
interest.—University News.

Pennsylvania Sophomores complain of
over work.

At Kansas City, Mo., a miser, one Dr.
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COLLEGE ITEMS.

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A Japanese Club has been formed at the University of Chicago.

B. S. Waters has been elected captain of the Harvard foot ball team.

The Sophomores defeated the Freshmen, at the U. of P., on Tuesday, by a score of 6 to 4.

The Chicago University receives another million from Mr. Rockefeller as a Christmas offering.

The Yale-Princeton joint debate will be held on March 15. The place has not yet been decided upon.

The Harvard faculty will hereafter refuse to allow the Freshman Glee Club to give concerts out of town.

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Wyant, right tackle of the Yale team, has been elected captain of the University of Chicago eleven, for next year.

The foot ball team of the U. of P. made a winter trip during the Christmas holiday throughout the Southern States.

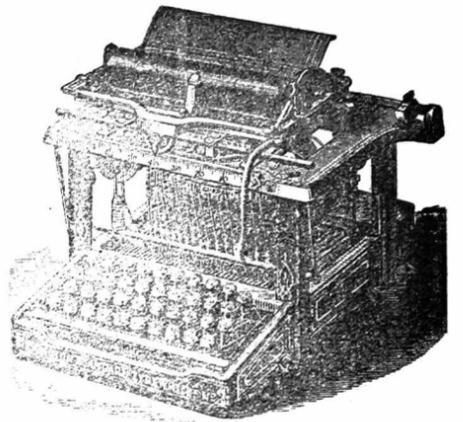
Princeton has scored 740 points to 45 for the U. of P. since the admission of the latter into the Intercollegiate League.

The Yale faculty have prohibited the Freshmen from engaging in any intercollegiate base ball during the coming season.

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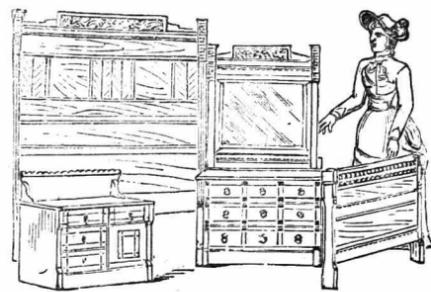
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