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# MEN'S CONTEST.

Was Held in the College Chapel Monday Evening

# DUNHAM TAKES FIRST PLACE.

With Oration on "Evolutionized Democracy"-Lindley Second. Miss Redman wins Women's Contest.

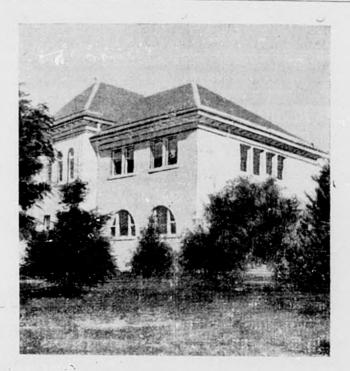
The college oratorical contest, to pick the man who is to represent Alma in the State contest was held Monday evening in the college chapel. Five contestants were entered. Adelbert H. Lindley '11, "The College Man's Mission;" Hurd A. Drake '12, "Duty versus Selfish Interest; Cass Chase '10, "Those Held in Contempt;" John Dunham '10, "Enolutionized Democracy;" Stanley Graves '10, "Lord Byron." The contest proved close and in- Mt. Pleasant Normals by a score of teresting, Mr. Dunham winning 21 to 6. out and Mr. Lindley taking a close second.

Mr. Dunham's oration, "Evolutionized Democracy," commended



n the judging. In delivery also he received three firsts and has proved himself beyond all doubt the logical man to represent Alma at the State contest. The oration itself treated of the woeful conditions of the social and political realm of government and some reasons for their being so. At the same time it well and displayed at times team presented the bright side and suggested some hope for the future. early form. They were continually Mr. Dunham's delivery characteristic, cool, calm, collected, he drove home

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GYMNASIUM-The scene of the strenuous basket ball games.

#### Looks Good-21-6.

The basket ball season was started in full swing Saturday last by a decisive victory over the

allowed to score only six points, Cambell two of these resulting from a fieldgoal, speaks well for Alma's itself in thought and composition defense, and twenty-one points in to the extent of drawing three firsts the thirty minutes of play shows that the offensive play is also strong.

> The game was played according to A. A. U. instead of Intercollegiate rules and this hindred a large score from an Alma standpoint, as the team has been coached by Coach Corrithers according to Intercollegiate rulings. Several play.

minutes before the game and was not able to play. His position, however, was very well filled by Hooper who made himself conspicuous by breaking up the opponents plays, and also scoring two played a very strong game and repeated passes that seemed to be near the ceiling. Hoben, however, was the star of the game, losing his man continually and throwing baskets almost at will.

The team as a whole showed up work that was exceptional for such was in possession of the ball and each and man knew what to do with it when his it was passed to him.

kets had been fitted up and as yet the team has not become accustomed to them, but in another week this will be elleviated. The schedule will be published next week as it is not yet complete.

The line up is as follows:

Mt. Pleasant The fact that Mt. Pleasant was Fraker (Capt.) r.f. McCarthy Stickles Hoben Lainge Ketgen Finch Hooper l. g. Crawford OFFICIALS.

> Refere-Tambling (Mt. P.) Timekeeper-Prof. Mitchell. Scorer-Whittemore.

#### The Book Party.

Something new, along the line of the teams fouls were due to the of parties, made its appearance at newness of the A. A. U. style of Wright Hall Friday evening. It not only furnished a good time for Phillips very unfortunately turn- all present but at the same time ed his ankle in practice just a few proved instructive in showing our literary apperception mass, as a member of the faculty might say. Every one came representing, in some original way or another, the title of a book. Some did it by their attire, others by their actions, field baskets. Kefgen at right guard and still others by means of both. All were provided with guessing cards and numbers and a guessing bee was indulged in, the winner placing 50 titles from a possible ninety. Cocoa and wafers finished off the evening in capital style. Rumor has it that some lively stunt parties will be witnessed within the next month, of a Friday night. The more the merrier.

Nice little dream we had about brought to bear upon his life, flooding Davis field wasn't it? The back boards and new bas- Who woke us up, anyway?

With Lecture By Haro I Gaunt, '06 on English Peakly.

#### STRENUOUS AHEAD

Debating, Oratory, Exams., Class Exhibitions All Come This Ter ..

The second term, perhaps the most strenuous one of the three, is now well under way. Tuesday morning the students juthered at chapel time and were treated to an interesting and instructive lecture upon English poetry, with special reference to results of the French revolution. M. Gaunt, although his work in P. inceton is primarily theological, is at the same time making a special study of English and his lecture proved it beyond a doubt. His discussion was of individual men, the poets themselves, yet he weave I them together and brought out their characteristics in a way which without further analysis, clearly covered his subject. Three nair lines of thought were plainly visible; first, the conditions of the time, in which Mr. Gaunt brought out the facts of its being an age of reason, an age the Humanitarian spirit, an age of simplicity in poetry; secondly the forerunners of the revolution were touched upon, Coverer and Crabbe especially. "Thirdy brethren," the different periods of the later English poetry was carefully reviewed, as produced by Burns, Southey and Coleridge, ir the first group, Wordsworth alone constituting the second group, while Moore, Landon, Byron and Shelley made up the third. The paper as a whole showed a thorough knowledge of his subject and an ease in delivery which was pleasant to listen to. He said in part:

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We rightly look for the influence (Continued on page four.)

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#### A New Year's Gift.

Some five weeks ago Dr. Bruske ew of his facts. made public the plans that he hoped to realize for Alma by 1912. What seemed the most difficult was, perhaps, the hope of increasing the endowment fund to \$500,000. The best policy, but even this can be new year, however, brings with it carried to far. We have some felincreased hope. One hundred lows about the campus that are so thousand dollars has already been honest they can't take a joke.

taken care of and that fact was made public the first school day of the new year. On January 1st Andrew Carnagie sent his check for \$25,000. This clinches the matter and disposes of the first \$100,000, the other principal givers being Mr. Wright of Alma and Mr. REV CAMPBELL, '10 - ATHLETIC EDITOR We are to the coveted \$500,000 at MISS HAZEL FRASER "00 - NEWS EDITOR present is not made public, but with this last addition of \$100,000 in so short a time, 1912 ought to see the whole amount realized. In the last two years the total amount added to the endowment fund has been \$130,000.

#### CAMPUS NOTES

Hamilton Day was observed in the chapel exercises Monday. Papers were read dealing with various phases of the great statesman's life. Byron chapel portrayed in an interesting manner, the struggle between Burr and Hamilton culminating in the fatal duel. Frank McComb discussed "Hamilton and the Treasury" livening up an otherwise, perhaps, dry subject, while Hamilton and his connection with the Federal constitution was developed in a paper read by Stanley Graves.

The discomfort of the basket ball spectators when anything like a crowd is present, not to mention what a poor floor must mean to the players, only makes us wish that the time was not far off when a fine new gymnasium would be

Some one suggested that we petition the faculty to close school as long as the skating lasted.

Ideas for stunt parties, open houses, and socials of all kinds are in demand now, if they ever were.

Feb. 1st the Rev. Mr. Crain of Detroit will take charge of the college church. The students will find in Mr. Crain a man who is not so far removed from his own college days as to make him unsym-

The gym has been fitted with new Standard backs for the baskets and the hand ball back, taken

The last lecture course was well represented in attendance from the college. Coming the first day of school it was necessary to hustle a bit to find time to attend to the little matter of finding some one to use your other ticket and at the same time, not appear the least bit flurried, hurried or worried. Dr. Green's lecture "Civic Bactaria" proved interesting and instructive in spite of the fact that some present might take exception to a

Mrs. Bert Reader Sidebotham visited at Wright Hall Wednesday.

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#### Prof. Mitchell Elected

At a special meeting of the Athletic Association called Friday noon to elect a foot ball manager for rented, thus providing a good part in the letter. next fall Prof. Mitchell received the unanimous vote of the association and has been successful in arranging most satisfactory schedules and managing the team. . The idea in the spring.

#### Visited Lane Seminary.

Our field secretary, M. Todd gets about the country some. A week or so hence, while visiting Lane Seminary on invitation of Dr. McKiffin, president of Lane Seminary, to fill the pulpit of the sixth church, Sunday, December 6. Mr. Todd wrote the Almanian an interesting letter which will doubtless prove of sufficient interest to warrant its publication.

"It occurs to me that the readers of the Almanian may be interested here myself. in reading a few things about this school of the prophets. There are inary were better known to the in attendance here at present three graduates of Alma who are preyoung men from Michigan, Rev. M. paring for the gospal ministry, no N. Wood, who for one year was pas. doubt many more would pursue tor of the Presbyterian church at Elk Rapids, Rev. Mr. Harris, a former pastor of the M. P. church in Saginaw, and Rev. Mr. Hescott, pastor of the M. P. church in New Lathrop. Alma college has been represented here by Rev. Harry E. Porter now pastor of a Presbyterian church in Beverly, Ohio: Rev. F. J. Martin, now associate pastor of the Church of the Covenant, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Rev. George Hill a former field representative of Alma college and now engaged in evangelistic work in Indiana.

At chapel excreises vesterday morning Rev. W. S. Nelson, an Alumnus of Lane Siminary, on furlough from his field in Tripoli, Syria, addressed the students. I was much interested in him because one of his associates in the work in Tripoli is Miss Hunting, Alma's first graduate.

Conditions here seem to be ideal, situated in the heart of a strong | 1 am sorry I didd it but I could not Presbyterian community, with a help it becaws you stood there goods in Suits, Cloaks, Skirts and faculty not only orthodox, but looken so nacherl with the curls evangelistic as well, with large and the wissker and all Jenny and plication. endowment and splendid equip- Ames dared me to doo it at resess. ment. There is no reason why Lane should not in the future; as me becaws it looked so mutch in the past do her share in the like you you had a purfeck rit Woodward Ave. and State St training of great men in the great to be mad. If I was you I would be work of our church.

in 1829. Ebenezer Lane, a merchant of Orleans, laid the foundation of the endowment by large gifts of money. Mr. Elnathan Kemper, a member in the Walnut

Hills Presbyterian church, donated mad too. number of buildings that are now olled but this was not to go in the of the income to maintain the school. If you only understood what is

for that office. Prof. Mitchell has president, filling that position from be misschefuss you would be filled this office at different times 1832 to 1850, and the chair in sorry for them for it is not exackly which he sat as he taught his there fault. classes is still to be seen in the 1 know you feel wurse about it faculty room of the seminary, while than I do becaws my wippen does holding the election at such an ear- the home in which he lived stands not hurt now but a pickchure ly date is to allow plenty of time a block or two away and is now goes on forever. for the arranging of the schedule, occupied by Rev. F. C. Montfort, which ought to be completed in senior editor of the Herald and goodness knows without beien

Among the graduates of this school to laff at, school are some of the greatest men in the history of our church. In will drore you on the bored looken the fiirst class graduated was swete and yung and put your America's foremost preacher, Rev. name under so everybody will home missionary; Rev. Jonathan skoller. Blanchard, president of Wheaton college; Rev. George T. Fitch, missionary to China; Rev. A. J. Brown, the present secretary of our foreign missionary board; and last but not least, Rev. J. Wilber Chapman, the world's leading evangelist, and I am attending some classes

If the advantages of this semtheir theological studies here."

S. P. TODD,



Graves after the contest.

#### An Artist's Apology.

The New York Times is responsible for the following:

says I haff to appollogize for droren plete with useful articles. pickchure on the bored as if you was an olled made with curls and ton. a long wissker on your chinn witch you could not hellp or me Gloves, Neckwear, Haudkerchiefs, neether.

It was a meen thing to doo and

I doo not blame you for wippen

to the seminar; sixty acres of land, My muther says nobody is so on this the schoolbuildings are sensitive about her looks as a lady erected, and in addition a large teacher espeshuly if she is a lettle

Rev. Lyman Beecher was the first inside of boys heads maken them

Teachers have a hard enuf time shode how they look for a whoal

Sometime if you do not care l Henry War I Beecher, among others know who it is and so no more for are Rev. S. E. Wishard, the famous the present frum your frend and TOMMY.

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# MEN'S CONTEST.

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thoughts and logical climaxes. Alma will be well represented in the State contest.

Mr. Lindley, who secured second place, deserves much credit. His oration, "The College Man's Mission," was a leader of its kind. His delivery was excellent and told a story of hard and conscientious

Mr. Chase presented an able plea for the lawyer. His oration was listened to with interest and its merit cannot be questioned. Mr. Drake pictured the actual good results of sticking to duty rather than allowing selfish interest dominate, His delivery deserves special mention as it was clear, forceful and enthusiastic. Graves also ran.

The musical numbers furnished by Misses Wilson, Willey

sympathies of her hearers. Her to bear upon English poetry." delivery was clear cut and decisive and at times pathetic and touching. Miss Redman will ably represent Alma in the State contest for women.

#### ALUMNI.

John Marchmont Ex' 10, whose reputation as a shrewd debater, did not stop with Alma, is now making good on the debating team of Columbia University.

A.scene, probably unique in the history of Protestanism in Detroit, was enacted in Milburn hall, Sunday, when the Rev. Sherman L. Divine, pastor of the new Woodward avenue Presbyterian church conducted a service at which 121 new members were added to the roster of the church organiation. The remarkable addition was the result of a deligent canvas by me pastor of the Xiiiii Managarah district, fully two that we will not we members being persons who were regular attendents of on order church. In this work the waster was materially assisted by several of the laity.

At the service Mr. Divine also announced that Mrs. Tracy Mc-Gregor, who recently donated a site for a new church building at Woodward and Grummond-aves., up around Campus; Resolved, had also promised to install in the edifice when completed a fine pipe- ny. organ.

Pastor Divine and his parish will us." tackle the building problem in earnest and expect to see ground broken for the new structure in the very "instead"-E. Brown. near future.

## BEGIN SECOND TERM.

Continued from first page.

of a great movement in the literture of a nation, and especially in the poetry of a people do we see a reflection of public opinion and in a great measure the life, customs, and civilization of the day. After all the poet is a representative of the people, a leader among men. It is Browning who testifies to this when he designates a brother-poet whom he regarded as forsaking his true polical ideas as a "Lose Leader." It is true the poet is usually a sentimentalist and is often governed more by his emotions than by his reason, but yet it cannot be denied that he frequently Weats in reform, and that by arousing interest and enthusiasm in great principles, he directs the mayement of his time.

the influence, as a Crosby and Messinger and as usual par reaching as that of the French received their full share of applause. revolution is a task for the historian and not for the dabbler in Shortly before Christmas vaca- literature. But any one having tion the contest for women took even a slight acquaintance with Opp, the Wriges place, Miss Redman '10 taking the English literature cannot fail to honors. Her oration depicting the realize something of the tremendmournful lametation of the Jews in ous influence which the revolutheir distress, played upon the tionary uprising in France brought

> The second term bids fair to be a strenuous one. With two oratorical contests on hand, the intersociety and the state, two debates, not to mention the class exhibitions and the days of exams which try men's souls, the weary student will not be blamed for catching the spring fever when the balmy spring days come around again. In door activities of all kinds will be the order of events and a lively basket ball game now and then will serve as a tonic. The music school will do its best work during this term, the winter seeming to be the most logical time for hard work in this branch. A number of new students have entered the commercia I department and undoubtedly "the youngsters" will get in their best licks during the winter term. For the next ten weeks a great big "Busy" sign will be hung upon the majority of doors and nothing short of a couple of open houses and a musical or two can break the

### New Year's Resolutions.

New Year's resolutions, picked

To raise no more "ned"--John-

To cut out the weed-"Three of

To quit stidying-"Si."

To go to down town parties

To break into society-Inglis.

To "find out where I'm at" Phillips.

To do just as my sister tells me Harper.

To be sentimental-Whittemore. To quit swearing-Campbell.

To make a hit if it takes a new derby.-Kefgen.

To at least appear not to know it all-Hoben.

To win all the games in sight-B. B. Team.

To room alone—Snell,

John Campbel Ex' 10 is making a noise somewhere around second place in an examination of three hundred students. And to think that he hails from the college situated "in the wilds of the north-

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