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THE NEW DORMITORY

When the cornerstone of "Brooks Hall" was laid on Friday, the Barnard girls felt that a new era in the history of the College had begun.

The exercises were simple, but impressive. A bright "Indian-Summer" day was one of the very fortunate circumstances of the occasion. As announced last week, the Undergraduates, in white dresses and caps and gowns, marched down two by two from Milbank Hall towards the new dormitory. The Freshmen were first, according to the ecclesiastical order, and all of the classes lined up in double line on each side of the path from the Quadrangle to the new dormitory. While the procession passed through the line, "Fair Barnard" was sung. Miss Gill, President Butler, Dr. Brownell, Dr. Grose-nor and Dr. Coe were followed by the Trustees and other guests of honor, members of the Columbia and Barnard Faculties, and the Alumnae of the College.

The religious exercises were according to the beautiful forms of the Church. President Butler then made a brief address, emphasizing the great importance of dormitory life in accomplishing the aim of education, the development of noble character. From him the students learned that the dormitory had been named for Rev. Arthur Brooks, a wise and devoted friend of the College, at one time President of the Trustees, and the rector of the Church of the Incarnation.

The formal dedication of the building and the laying of the cornerstone were by Dr. Silas Brownell, President of the Board of Trustees. The procession returned to Milbank in the reverse order, while "Beside the Waters of the Hudson" was sung. Miss Gill then received the guests, and the building was open for inspection.

The Undergraduates will remember the occasion with much pleasure. The procession of students, in their uniform costume, was pleasing. The Faculty procession is always impressive. The College building itself seemed unusually handsome. The committee in charge of the floral decorations are certainly to be congratulated on the artistic arrangement of the flowers throughout the building.

The singing in the cloister and the upper halls immediately after the return of the procession was excellent; and while the same was not true of the singing outside, the fact that the band and the students had not practiced together before was responsible.

The presence and interest of so many of the Alumnae meant much to the girls in College. When they, too, come back to College soon as Alumnae, they expect to find that "Brooks Hall" has done much towards making Barnard a still larger, nobler and more helpful College.

THE AMAZONS.

On Thursday, November 8, the Sophomore class entertained the College with a presentation of Arthur W. Pinero's farce, "The Amazons." The performance was very creditable, and 1909 may well congratulate itself on its first play.

The curtain rose on what was undoubtedly the prettiest scene ever set on the Barnard stage. Not only was the old scenery arranged to the best advantage, but it had the addition of a rustic gate hired for the occasion, which stood in the background in the middle of a very attractive hedge made of autumn leaves and palms. The stage was strewn with the leaves also, and their rustle underfoot made the scene unusually realistic. While the staging of the third act demanded less artistic effort, it was nevertheless very appropriately done. The arrangement of the rope-ladder was particularly good.

The cast of the play was:

Barrington, Viscount Litterly....F. Wyeth
Galfred, Earl of Tweenwayses...L. Closson
Andre, Count de Grival.....O. Lee
Rev. Roger Minchin.....M. Schlessinger
Fitton (a gamekeeper).....R. Hardy
Youatt (a servant).....H. Phillips
Orts (a poacher).....L. Thompson
Miriam, Marchioness of Castlejordan

Helen Scheuer
"Sergeant" Shuter.....Margaret Frink
Lady Noeline Belturbet.....W. Barrows
Lady Wilhelmina Belturbet...A. Richardson
Lady Thomasin Belturbet...E. vom Baur
Daughters of the Marchioness

The committee was wise in choosing a play which called for so much action, and contained so many clever lines. The principal interest does not come in, until just at the end of the first act, but it keeps right up after this point until the end. The girls all entered heartily into the spirit of the play; in fact, their enthusiasm was quite evident, and added a great deal to the afternoon. Special mention must be made of a number of the actors. Florence Wyeth was unusually successful in her portrayal of *Lord Barrington*. Aside from being well-fitted by physique to take the part, she acted without consciousness and never overdid her rôle. A tendency to do this is quite natural, but is apt to result unfortunately. The cast, on the whole, was singularly free from it, although the work of *Lady Noeline* and the *Marchioness* was occasionally a little exaggerated. *Adelaide Richardson* and *Eva vom Baur* both grasped and interpreted their rôles cleverly; the latter is especially to be commended for the excellent delivery of her lines. This comment would not apply to many of the company, who again and again failed to direct their voices to the audience, and rattled off their speeches much too rapidly. The *Earl of Tweenwayses* scored frequent hits, and played his rôle very evenly

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PROF. KNAPP'S LECTURE.

At an open meeting of the Classical Club held last Friday afternoon, Prof. Knapp gave an interesting lecture on travel in ancient times as referred to by Plautus and Terence.

Inasmuch as the plays of these writers are based on Greek originals they have to do with the travels of the Greeks rather than of the Romans, and that too at a period antedating the lives of the authors. With the exception of journeys back and forth from a city to its harbor or to its suburbs, little traveling was done by land; nor is this surprising when we consider the mountains of Greece and its coast line. Several motives induced people to leave their homes. They went on business trips, and oddly enough always stayed two or three years. They went to war. They went to recover kidnapped children, for it was not at all unusual for children to be carried off not only by *praedones*, professional pirates, but also by *mercatores*, respectable citizens. It was, at any rate, generally necessity and not pleasure which caused the Greeks to trust themselves to the sea. The small boats they used must have made such journeying far from pleasant, and there are in the plays several direct references to sea-sickness. "There is nothing new under the sun." Custom-house officers were just as inquisitive as they are to-day. *Feminae* carried just as much baggage then as now. On his return the traveler was rejoiced over by his friends, and thanksgiving, congratulations and a dinner party usually followed.

BARNARD UNION.

The Barnard Union will hold its first open meeting in Brinkerhoff Theatre on Wednesday, November 21, at 3 P. M. Professor Shotwell will address the meeting on a subject to be announced later. His interest in the organization and progress of the society has been so keen, his assistance so valuable, it is peculiarly appropriate that he should make practically his first appearance before the College under its auspices. Students, Faculty and friends of the College are cordially invited to be present.

CLASSICAL CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Classical Club was held Monday, November 5. Dr. Shear and Professor McCrea were elected to honorary membership.

EARLE MEMORIAL PRIZE.

The trustees of Columbia University at their meeting on November 5 adopted the following resolution:

Resolved—That there be established an Earle Memorial Prize in classics, to be open for competition to all candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Columbia University, in accordance with provisions to be formulated by the Division of Classical Philology.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1906

The presence of the whole College and Alumnae at the laying of the cornerstone of Brooks Hall was significant of our unanimous appreciation of the gift which has been bestowed upon us. Since the tendency of young people of to-day is, supposedly, to take what they can get as a right, rather than as a privilege, such a mark of the presence of the good, old-fashioned spirit of gratitude and appreciation is to be welcomed with satisfaction. It effectually controverts the arguments of those sour ones who claim that "Young America" are sadly degenerated from their forebears in respect of gratitude and befitting humility, as in many other respects.

The large attendance was significant of one other great fact: that, in spite of the lack of dormitory life, in spite of class rivalry, in spite of cliques and conflicting personalities, the College is one. Given a question of common interest, the girls immediately realize their position as parts of a whole, and respond gladly to the call that brings them together. Hence the scene on Friday was sufficient answer to those who object to city colleges on the ground that they inspire no feeling of oneness, no "college spirit" in their students. We are glad that so many guests were present, and hope that if any there were among them who had cherished any doubts as to the question of unity in our College, they went away wholly convinced of the error of their former conclusions.

BARNARD UNION

(Concluded from last week.)

ARTICLE II.

Place of Meeting. The meetings shall be held in Brinkerhoff Theatre.

ARTICLE III.

All those who take part in the program shall wear academic costume.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. Dues. There shall be annual dues of one dollar, payable by November 1, or one month after election to membership.

SEC. 2. Notices of all regular meetings shall be sent to all Associate and Honorary members.

SEC. 3. Associate members shall pay annual dues of fifty cents, payable by November 1, or within one month after election to membership. After having omitted to pay for one year they shall, after due notice, be dropped from the roll of membership.

ARTICLE V.

A quorum shall consist of one-third the Active members.

AMENDMENTS.

Passed Oct. 10, 1906.

ARTICLE I. That the By-laws be amended to read: two meetings a month at the discretion of the Program Committee.

ART. II. That the Undergraduate President shall preside at all meetings.

ART. III. That the Graduate President shall have the title "Graduate Vice-President," and have the regular duties of a vice-president, and be the Chairman of Executive Committee.

ART. IV. That the Undergraduate Vice-President be Chairman of the Membership Committee.

ART. V. That the office of Second Vice-President be dropped.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

If there are any girls who would like to join the Athletic Association, they may give their names to Herlinda Smithers, '09, and pay the dues, 75c., to Comfort Tiffany, '09.
C. P. ARMSTRONG, Pres.

The Thompson Gymnasium is open to students of Barnard from five to six on Mondays and Wednesdays, for basketball practice, and at the same hour on Friday for general use of the gymnasium. Besides these hours, students are permitted to bowl and to use the swimming pool, handball courts, etc. Lockers may be obtained at the Thompson Gymnasium.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

In the semi-finals of the fall tournament Julia Tiffany, '09, defeated Clairette Armstrong, '08, and Lillian Egleston, '10, defeated Louise Rapp, '07. The Sophomore and Freshman champions met Wednesday afternoon in the best match played on the courts this year. During the first set Lillian Egleston put up the swifter game, winning with a score of 6-1. The next set started with a decided gain on the Sophomore's side. This was closed up after the sixth game and the final score was 6-4 in favor of Julia Tiffany. This was by far the best played set. The deciding set, won easily by the Sophomore, made her College champion.

1901.

The Class of 1901 will have a class party on Saturday, November 24, at 560 West 113th street, at four o'clock.

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throughout; perhaps, however, he suffered a little, in common with others of the cast, in not having quite enough business. For while the play went along smoothly, and the principal interest was sufficiently well maintained, the performance could have been made funnier by more action aside. A word of praise must be given to *Oris*, the poacher, whose appearance occurred but once, and then only lasted a moment, but who made a distinct impression on the audience in even such a short time. The afternoon was a distinct triumph for 1909, and will not be soon forgotten by the College.

The play was repeated for the friends of the Sophomores on Saturday afternoon, November 10.

LA SOCIETE FRANCAISE

The first social meeting of the "Société Française" was held in the old Alumnae Room on Monday, November 5. Prof. Bargy spoke to the club on the subject of old French songs, and read some of the typical ones. The Société showed itself appreciative and hopes at some later meeting to be able to render some of the songs, which are remarkable for their beauty and simplicity. After the very interesting address tea was served. The attendance was good. The society turned out full force, and there were present besides several members of the faculty: Mesdemoiselles Nepven and Darlu, who are here as representatives of the French Government in the study of our higher education of women; and Made-moiselle Girault, of the Alliance Française. The afternoon was decidedly a success.

The committee were: Helen Harvitt, '07, chairman; Marguerite Strauss, '08; Helen Black, '09; and Pierina McLaughlin, '07, ex-officio.

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- 10-12—Exchange open.
- 11-2—Office hours of Y. W. C. A. Secretary, Alumnae Room.
- 12:45-1—Devotional Classes.
- 12:30-2—Exchange open.

Thursday, November 15.

- 9-12—Exchange open.
- 11—Mission Study Class.
- 12—Undergraduate Association Meeting.
- 1-2—Exchange open.

Friday, November 16.

- 10-12—Exchange open.
- 12:10-12:30—Chapel, Dr. Cobb.
- 1-2—Exchange open.

Monday, November 19.

- 10-12—Exchange open.
- 11-2—Office hours of Y. W. C. A. Secretary, Alumnae Room.
- 12:30-2—Exchange open.
- 12:30-1—Miss McCook's Bible Class.

Tuesday, November 20.

- 10-12—Exchange open.
- 12:10-12:30—Chapel.
- 1-2—Exchange open.

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