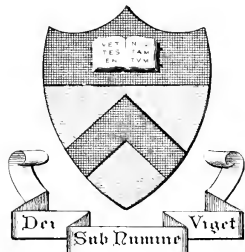


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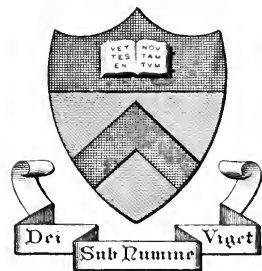
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The Founding of the College.

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The beginnings of the movement, which culminated in the founding of the College, date from the early years of the eighteenth century. At that time the population of the middle colonies, that is to say, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, was already considerable and was receiving constant accessions by immigration from the old world. The various elements which composed the population were marked by strong religious convictions. The Scotch and Scotch-Irish Presbyterians, Quakers, members of the Church of England, Dutch Calvinists, French Huguenots, and a sprinkling of New England Puritans made up practically the whole population. And all of these elements were directly or indirectly interested in the establishing of Princeton.

Scarcely had the earliest settlers cleared the wilderness of Eastern Pennsylvania and the "Jerseys," and dotted the clearings with their log cabins and churches, when they began to think of establishing schools. Scarcely any of these early schools have been perpetuated to the present time, and the memory of most of them survives only in some old church record or local tradition. But one of them had no small fame. It was the so called "Log College," which, though not a lineal ancestor, was yet the significant precursor of Princeton. This institution was opened in the year 1726 by Rev. William Tennent.

Mr. Tennent had been a resident, and was probably a native of the north of Ireland, where he was ordained a clergyman of the established church. Some time after his immigration to this country, he became a minister of the Presbyterian church. He was a man of liberal education, and reputed to have especial proficiency and eloquence in the use of Latin. He was educated probably at Trinity College, Dublin. In 1726 he was settled as pastor of the little Presbyterian church of Neshaminy, on the Neshaminy River, a small and beautiful stream flowing into the Delaware some twenty miles above Philadelphia. In the very

year of his coming to Neshaminy, where he was to spend the rest of his life, he built with his own hands, probably with the help of his sons, a small house of logs, hewn from the forest which fringed the stream. This house was soon called in contempt the "Log College." The Rev. George Whitfield, the English evangelist, who visited Tennent in 1739, writes of this school: "It is a log house about twenty foot long and near as many broad; and to me it seemed to resemble the school of the old prophets, for their habitations were mean; and that they sought not great things for themselves is plain from those passages of Scripture, wherein we are told that each of them took him a beam to build them a house. . . . All that we can say of most of our universities is they are glorious without."

The Log College existed for twenty years. From the declining health of Mr. Tennent and other causes its future usefulness was threatened, and with the granting of the first charter to the College of New Jersey in 1746, the Log College may be said to have passed out of existence. The friends and patrons of the latter now became the principal supporters and trustees of the former. Thus it may, with truth, be said that the Log College was the germ from which proceeded the flourishing College of New Jersey.

The immediate occasion of the founding of the College of New Jersey was the great schism in the Presbyterian Church in

America, which took place in 1741. As the questions of an unconverted ministry and disagreement with reference to candidates were a chief cause of the schism, it was natural that each body should make vigorous efforts for the education and introduction of unexceptionable men into the sacred office. Two motives actuated them in this course, the desire to extend the knowledge of the gospel, and the less praiseworthy one of party, which induced each to vie with the other in efforts to establish and strengthen itself.

It is highly probable that the treatment David Brainerd received at the hands of the officers of Yale College stimulated his friends, among whom were the Rev. Jonathan Dickinson and the Rev. Aaron Burr, who were strongly attached to him, to erect a college of their own; indeed, it is related that Mr. Burr said: "If it had not been for the treatment Mr. Brainerd received at Yale, New Jersey College would never have been erected."

Influenced by such considerations, and incited by such motives, the friends of the new college, after much difficulty and opposition, obtained a charter from President Hamilton, which, if recorded, cannot now be found. All that remains in regard to it is the following:

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The second charter, which in its amended form is still the fundamental law of Princeton, was granted Sept. 14th, 1748, by Governor Belcher of the Province of New Jersey. After the achievement of American independence, this charter was confirmed and renewed by the Legislature of New Jersey. It is expressly provided that "those of every religious denomination may have free and equal liberty and advantage of education in said college, any different sentiments in religion notwithstanding." From that time to this, the College, while positively Christian in its culture, has likewise been unsectarian and tolerant.

The College was opened in May, 1747, at Elizabethtown, now Elizabeth, under President Dickinson. He died Aug. 7th, 1747, and the College was removed to Newark, and entrusted to the care of the Rev. Aaron Burr, who had been teaching a classical school there. At this time the students found lodgings in private families, and the public exercises of the College were held in the court-house. It seemed however to be conceded from the first, that the College should be located in the central part of New Jersey, and New Brunswick and Princeton were the places which

attracted the attention of the trustees and friends of the institution. Governor Belcher kept his eye on Princeton as the proper place, even before he had granted the new charter. However, at a meeting of the trustees, May 15th, 1751, it was resolved,

"That New Brunswick be the place for the building of the college provided the inhabitants of the place agree with the trustees upon the following terms, viz: that they secure to the college a thousand pounds, proc. money, ten acres of land, contiguous to the College, and two hundred acres of woodland, the farthest part of it to be not more than three miles from the town."

At the same meeting, after the above resolution was adopted, an offer was presented, on behalf of Princeton, accepting these terms. Negotiations were entered into, and, New Brunswick, failing to respond, on Jan. 24th, 1753, the trustees voted to fix the College at what they called "the promised land at Princeton." The corner stone of Nassau Hall was laid in September, 1754. The building was completed in the autumn of 1756, and then the College was removed from Newark to Princeton.

Items of interest in the subsequent history of the College will be noticed in the following descriptions of the campus and buildings.

For more minute details with regard to the history of the village, reference should be made to Hageman's *History of*



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Princeton, and with reference to the college, to President Maclean's *History of the College of New Jersey*.

The presidents of the College have been as follows :

Jonathan Dickinson,	1747
Aaron Burr,	1748—1757
Jonathan Edwards,	1758
Samuel Davies,	1759—1761
Samuel Finley,	1761—1766
John Witherspoon,	1768—1794
Samuel Stanhope Smith,	1795—1812
Ashbel Green,	1812—1822
James Carnahan,	1823—1854
John Maclean,	1854—1868
James McCosh,	1868—1888
Francis Landey Patton,	1888—

The administration of the first five presidents, Dickinson, Burr, Edwards, Davies and Finley, accordingly belongs to the colonial period. The sixth president, Witherspoon ends the colonial period and carries Princeton through the trying times of the Revolution, and the founding of our national life. The next four presidents, Smith, Green, Carnahan and Maclean, carry the history of the College down through what may be called the first great period of our national history, that is to the close of the civil war. The period since the civil war, or contemporary Princeton, is represented by the administrations of Presidents McCosh and Patton. Princeton is thus identified with the three periods of American history—the colonial, the revolutionary and the national.



Sesquicentennial Program.

GENERAL PROGRAM OF THE THREE DAYS' EVENTS.

Tuesday, October the Twentieth—Reception Day.

- 10.30 A.M. *Academic Procession forms at Marquand Chapel.
11.00 A.M. *Religious Service in Alexander Hall.—Sermon by President Patton.
3.00 P.M. *Reception of Delegates in Alexander Hall.
4.30 P.M. *Presentation of Delegates in Chancellor Green Library.
9.00 P.M. Orchestral Concert in Alexander Hall.

Wednesday, October the Twenty-first— Alumni and Student Day.

- 10.30 A.M. *Academic Procession forms at Marquand Chapel.
11.00 A.M. *The Poem and Oration in Alexander Hall. Poem by Dr. Henry van Dyke; Oration by Prof. Woodrow Wilson.
2.30 P.M. [Football game between Princeton and the University of Virginia on the University Athletic Field.

- 8.30 P.M. *Torch-light Procession and Illumination of the Campus.

(The procession will be reviewed by the President of the United States.)

Thursday, October the Twenty-second—The Sesquicentennial Anniversary Day.

- 10.30 A.M. *Academic Procession forms at Marquand Chapel.
11.00 A.M. *The Sesquicentennial Celebration in Alexander Hall.
3-5 P.M. Reception to the President and Mrs. Cleveland at Prospect.
8.00 P.M. [Glee Club Concert in Alexander Hall.]

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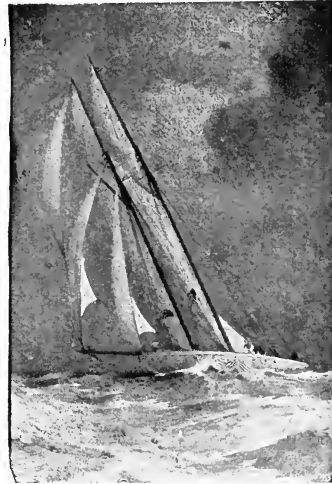
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DETAILS OF THE EXERCISES TO BE HELD EACH DAY OF THE CELEBRATION.

The celebration of the sesquicentennial of the founding of Princeton will be held on Tuesday, October 20th, Wednesday, October 21st, and Thursday, October 22d. A pamphlet containing the program was issued during the summer, but since then some changes have been made and the different events will take place as given below.

PROGRAM.

On the first day, Tuesday, October 20th, there will be a commemorative religious service, beginning at 11 o'clock in the morning. President Patton will deliver the discourse at this service. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a reception and introduction of delegates from other colleges and universities, in Alexander Hall. In the evening it is proposed to arrange either for the rendition of some historically famous musical masterpieces, or to provide some other suitable event.

The second day, Wednesday, October 21st, is distinctively the

great day for the Alumni, and it is earnestly hoped that as many as possible will be present at least on this day. In the morning, the oration and poem will be delivered, the orator being Professor Woodrow Wilson, of the class of 1879, representing the American Whig Society, and the poet being Rev. Dr. Henry van Dyke, of the class of 1873, representing the Clisophic Society.

The undergraduates have arranged to have a football game with the University of Virginia in the afternoon. In the evening there will be a torchlight procession of the undergraduates and alumni of Princeton. There will be present companies of students from Yale and Harvard—and a company of Princeton students in Continental Uniform — called the “Mercer Blues.” Officers—Hitzrot '97, capt., Townley '97, 1st lieutenant, Axson '97, 2d lieutenant, Reeves '97, 1st sergeant, Fairbanks '97, 2d sergeant, Kennedy '97, 3d sergeant, Cooley '97, 4th sergeant, Leonard '97, 5th sergeant. Corporals: Russell '99, Hutchinson '99, Beam '97, Erdman '97, Schreve '98, Frame '97, R. G. Cox '97, Bronson '99. The procession will be reviewed in front of Nassau



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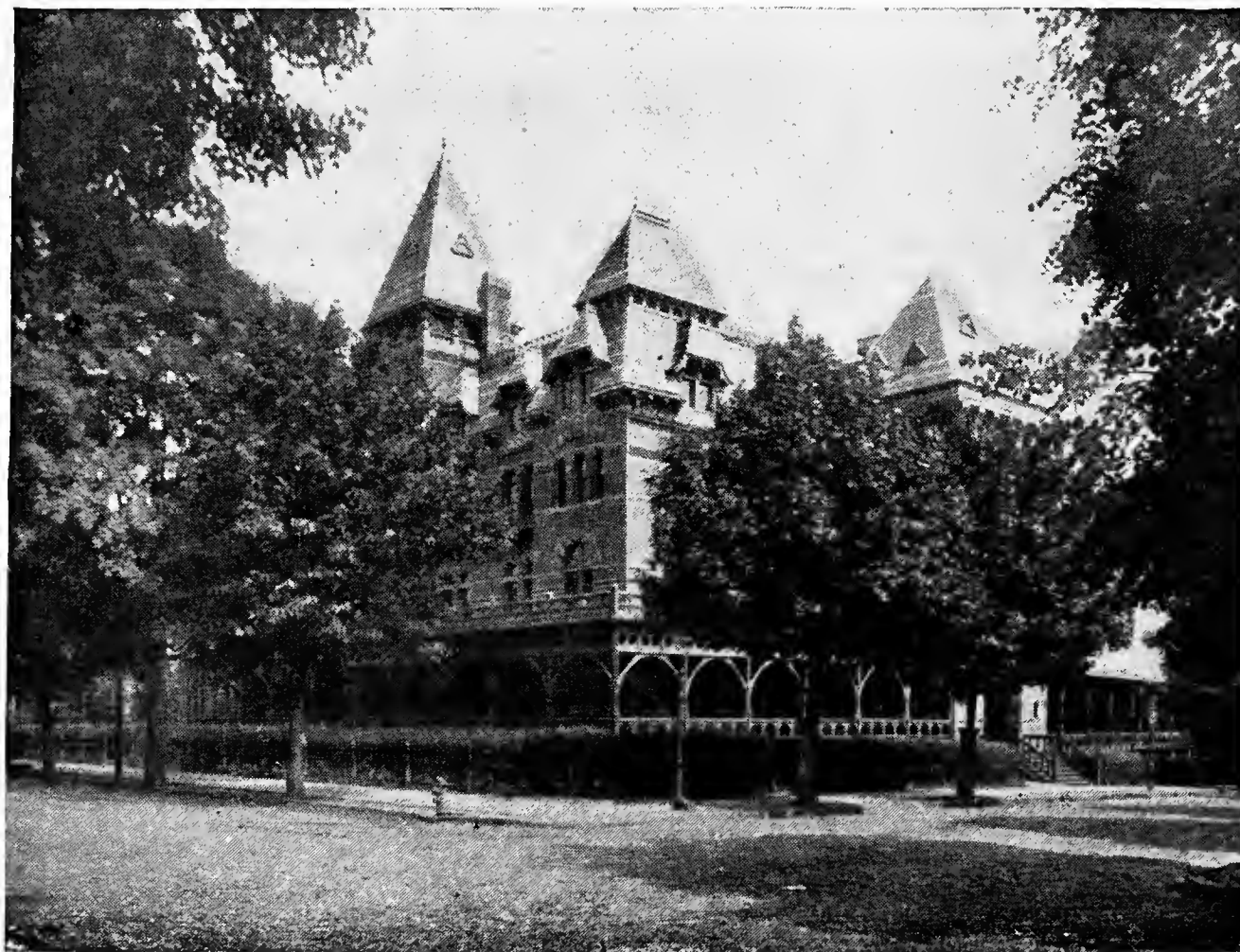
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The third day, Thursday, October 22d, is the actual Sesquicentennial anniversary day. In the morning there will be a procession to Alexander Hall, the announcement of the university title and of the endowments secured, the conferring of degrees, and other appropriate ceremonies. With this morning, exercises of the Sesquicentennial Celebration close, although in the evening there will be a farewell dinner given to the delegates from

the visiting universities. Also on this day President and Mrs. Patton will give a reception at Prospect.

Among the many elaborate arrangements for the Sesquicentennial, details of which have been published, there are quite a number of features that will be sprung as surprises on the crowds present. There is to be an illumination of the campus that will make Princeton look as it never did before. Then, there are a number of features of the parade on the night of Oct. 21st that will not be made known until then. Suffice it to say that this parade will be an inspiring one to every one who is permitted to witness it. Every one, therefore, who comes may expect to enjoy a great many things that are not down on the program.





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At a meeting of the Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee, held during last year, it was decided to issue a memorial medal in connection with the coming celebration. This medal has been designed by Mr. Thomas Shields Clarke, of the class of '82. On the face of the medal is a fine representation of Nassau Hall, surrounded by elms. The wording of the inscription on the face of the medal mentions the College of New Jersey, Nassau Hall, Princeton University, the completion of 150 years, the date of 1896, and the statement of the change of title to Princeton University. The dies for the medal have been made at the United States Mint at Philadelphia. The medals themselves will be ready for distribution in October. Each medal will be of bronze and will be placed in a black case about five inches square, having on the inside of the case orange decorations. The price of the medal in bronze will be \$5, including the case; in silver, \$15. The number of medals issued will be limited to those subscribed for by the end of the Sesquicentennial Celebration, after which the dies will be broken. Subscriptions will be received by Professor West, University Hall, Princeton.



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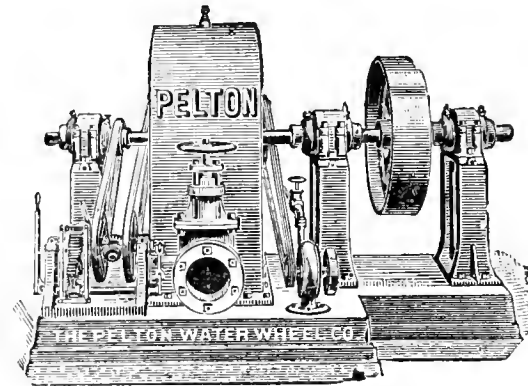
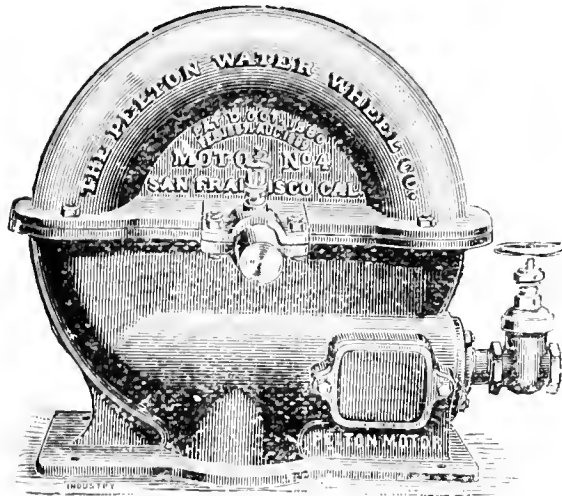
PRINCETON TEAM—PROBABLE LINE-UP.

Left End.....Thompson '97
“ Tackle.....Church '97
“ Guard.....Edwards '00
Centre.....Gailey
Right GuardArmstrong '98
“ Tackle.....Tyler '97
“ End.....Cochran '98, Captain
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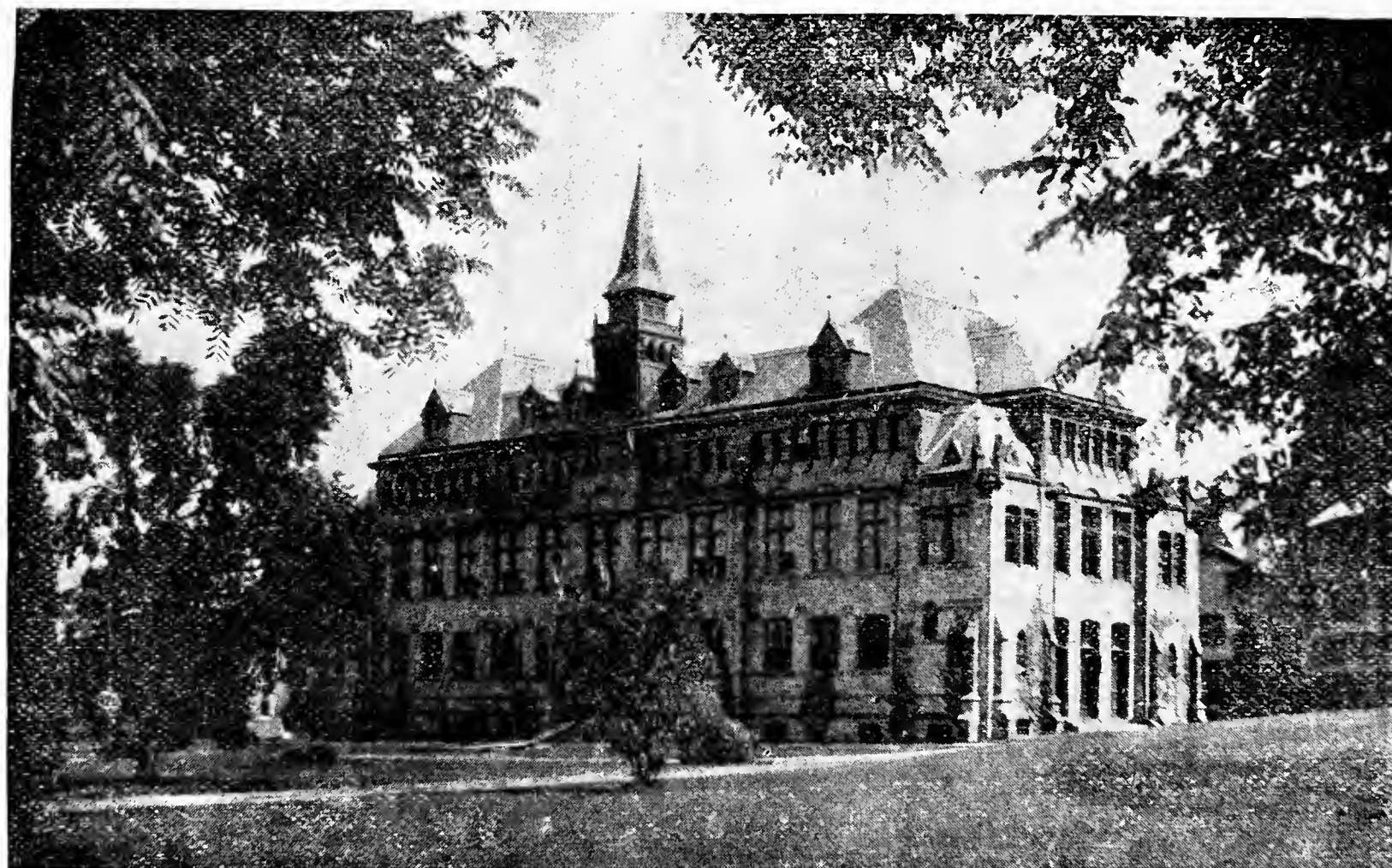
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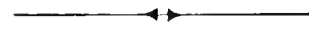
The Annual Fall Handicap Games.

- EVENT I. 100 yds. Dash.
“ II. 440 yds. Dash. (Scratch Race for Freshmen.)
“ III. Bicycle Race.
“ IV. 120 yds. Hurdle.
“ V. 220 yds. Dash.
“ VI. Half Mile Run.
“ VII. 220 yds. Hurdle.
“ VIII. One Mile Run.

FIELD EVENTS.

- EVENT IX. Pole Vault.
“ X. Putting 16 lb. Shot.
“ XI. High Jump.
“ XII. Throwing 16 lb. Hammer.
“ XIII. Broad Jump.

Sesquicentennial Celebration Glee Club Concert.



During the sesquicentennial celebration, Thursday, October 22, a concert will be given by the University Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs in Alexander Hall. This concert will be especially interesting to Alumni and visitors, as the Glee Club will sing only old Princeton songs and a number of prominent alumni who have been on the club in past years will sing solos.

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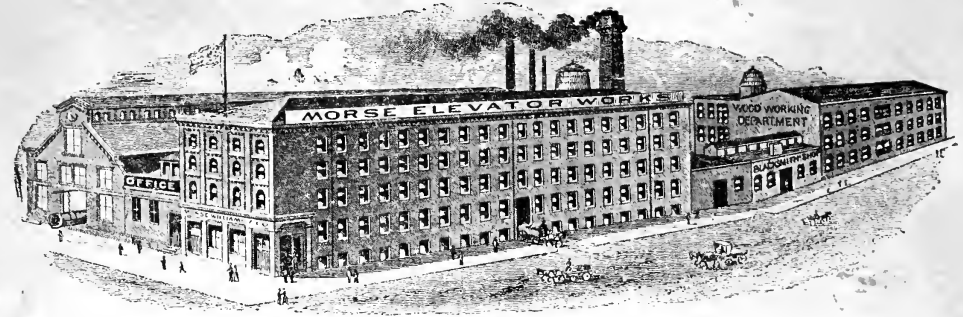
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