

PREFACE

I

This volume is the second of its kind in the history of the University. It may be termed the second edition of the Alumni Record, for it contains most of the matter of the preceding publication and follows the general lines of presentation adopted by the editors of that excellent book. Those who are familiar with the edition of 1887 will at once note the changes. The principal change is the abolition of the separate lists of the graduates of the Colleges constituting the University. The method adopted is open to objection, but it simplifies matters considerably and makes a more compact presentation of the graduates of each year.

In future editions some radical changes should be introduced. The numbers are becoming so large that less detail and more compactness is imperative. The committee did not feel free to make great changes in this edition, but with the experience now acquired could suggest some that would be a decided improvement and fully meet the main purpose.

II

The Introduction to the edition of 1887 records the history of efforts to secure the result that was realized in that volume. To obtain such a result some one must do a great deal of self-sacrificing and unremunerated labor. No more competent committee could have been named, each member contributing; the principal labor, however, falling to Professor Underwood, who did great and lasting work. Had this been followed up year by year by careful and systematic efforts at the Registrar's office of the University, the editing of this edition would have been greatly facilitated, and the long and tedious search for facts and details in no small degree obviated. It is the purpose of the present management of that office to make its records so complete as to earn the gratitude of future committees and editors.

Twelve years have intervened since the last Record was published. The growth of the University has been so marvelous that for several years alumni have been expressing a wish for another edition. A committee was appointed by the Association in 1894 to collect the data, but did nothing. The matter was referred to again in 1895 but without result. At the meeting in 1896 the present committee was appointed to do the work, and immediately set about it. Blanks similar to those before used were sent out, strenuous efforts were made to reach the alumni, and urgent request made that the requisite information be furnished. The effort was expensive and tedious, in many cases several blanks with letters being sent to the same person before the answer came. June, 1897, came and little had

been accomplished ; June, 1898, found the material nearly ready for publication, and the committee was given more time and full authority. At last the innumerable details have been arranged.

III

It has been deemed advisable to admit, in addition to records of faculties and alumni, other matters of interest to the latter. This book follows the example of its predecessor in this respect, but goes farther. It is, therefore, both an Alumni Record and General Catalogue of the University, and more than that aims to be a sort of manual of the institution. The purpose has been to make it so complete that a stranger could read in it, together with the current catalogue, the character of Syracuse University, the record it has made, the work it is doing, its personnel and its spirit. The faces of some of the noble men who have toiled in this field look at the reader from these pages. Most of these men have passed away and we are favored in having preserved for us the features beloved by alumni of many classes. The committee thought the preservation of these features to be a part of its work and a valuable part of the Record. It seemed also fitting to insert portraits of the general officers of the University. There are others whom it would be desirable to have, but there is a limit of expense which it would not be wise to exceed.

IV

The editor had a hobby and has all along insisted that one feature of this volume at least should be ideal. That feature is an Index so complete that the reader would search for nothing in vain. But theory must yield to the practicable. Several alphabetically arranged lists of names appear besides the Index proper, namely, those of the corporation, of the faculty and of the non-graduates, and it would be a useless repetition to insert them again in a general index or in an index of names. All such lists are therefore referred to in the Index of Alumni. If the reader knows the relation of the person whose name he seeks to the University he can easily find the name by ready reference to its respective list ; but if he is ignorant of that fact he might be obliged to examine each list. This is to be regretted but seemed imperative.

It will be noted that the surname is given first in the Index of Alumni, as is usual, while in the other lists it comes last. The latter are not primarily indices although in a double capacity serving as such, and it was deemed best to follow the usual method in descriptive lists. Names in lists and Index beginning with Mc stand at the beginning of the M list, in this following the order of the U. S. Postal Guide in names of places, and eminent precedents in the order of personal names. The table of contents will give the distribution of matter and the paging.

Foot-notes and other notes are added or inserted in several places where they are needed in the interest of a clear presentation.

It is regretted that the peculiar relation of the alumni of Geneva Medical College seemed to require that they be placed by themselves. They are

alumni of Syracuse University, having been adopted by its Board of Trustees. But some might question the propriety of starting the alumni list in 1835 with graduates of a professional school, instead of the method here adopted of beginning with graduates of the College proper in 1852. This committee rather hopes that the class of 1835 will head the list in the third edition of the Record and that all such distinctions will disappear.

All alumni of Genesee College were admitted to identical relations with Syracuse University, 5 Dec. 1871. But the master's degree was conferred specifically by the latter upon some of these alumni. This was not exactly a case of *ad eundem*, but is treated rather as a case of *in cursu*, and in the personal records is inserted with no reference other than the year. As the degrees from 1872 on (except Geneva Med. Coll. 1872) are known by all to be those of Syracuse University it is not necessary to designate the source.

Had it been possible to secure names and data all non-graduates of Genesee College, 1851-71, would have been added to those of the University. It is unfortunate that those names seem to be nowhere preserved.

V

It remains to make mention of those who have contributed material or labor to this book. Dr. Totman must come first, for, although due credit has elsewhere been given to the editors of 1887 of whom he was one, he has made possible the present record of the graduates in Medicine and deserves the gratitude of every alumnus. Mrs. Sibley of the committee furnished the Library statement. Several graduates and students have assisted, among whom may be named Miss Edna Hildreth, '99, who sent out the blanks and wrote numerous letters; Miss M. B. Churchill, '96, who wrote the Annals (mainly) from 1886 to 1897; T. Ralph Robinson, '98, who compiled the lists of the Corporation, Faculty, Non-Graduates, the Geographical Distribution, and did much other work; F. Mather Smalley, '98, who for the most part prepared the Index of Alumni, and worked out many statistics; Miss Elsie Packard, '99, who also did work on statistical tables; Miss Laura T. Page, '98, by whose skill the numerical indices were prepared, etc. Other credits are given *in loco*. W. Y. Foote, '87, has rendered valuable assistance to the committee in looking after business details.

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