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Thursday, November 23, 1876

[New York City]

*The Christian Intelligencer* published on this date three resolutions made upon the death of Albertus C. Van Raalte. One was written by Abel T. Stewart, Secretary of the Council of Hope College; the second was entitled, "In Memoriam.--Dr. Van Raalte" and written by C. Doesburg, Secretary of the faculty of Hope College; and the third was written by T. Romeyn Beck, secretary of the theological faculty. Van Raalte is greatly lauded in each resolution.

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ving a private note from him own familiar hand, and be- bleness usually resulting from. Clark says: "I have been three weeks, but am able to a time. The doctor says I am an he expected; and I hope at week." We learn that dur- his pulpit was supplied by he American Tract Society.

STERIAL ASSOCIATION.—This the Second Reformed Church, afternoon, at three o'clock. to order by Rev. S. H. Cobb, exegesis of Matthew 5: 17 was arest, Jr., of Kingston, after d animated discussion of the eated in it, was engaged in by sociation. In the evening a Rev. James Wyckoff, of Ger- uch satisfaction to the audi- gness and faithfulness in the . Next morning an essay was McClellan Holmes, D.D., of t of "Woman's Work in the ble production, and delivered y Dr. Holmes.—*Columbia Re-* ) November 16th.

land City News of November items: Dr. Stewart has again the street after two months f. Beck is making some exten- is already attractive residence terday afternoon we witnessed largest attended funeral that city—that of Rev. A. C. Van owing proclamation was issued gend on Thursday: "In ac- commendation of the Common made at their extra session d in token of respect to the friend and father, Rev. A. C. hn Van Landegend, Mayor of reby request, that on the after- e 10th inst., it being the time al of the deceased, all business d; that the public schools be izen as he appreciates the past d leader, drape his respective usiness in mourning."—Rev. d as pastor of the Dutch Re- atuck, on Sunday last, by Rev. assisted by Revs. A. Zwemer, Zwemer, of East Saugatuck.

an interesting and promising een made in the affairs of this illiam Anderson, formerly of was installed as pastor on Sun- 29th, the Revs. John Simon- am Brush (former pastor), and king the several parts of the ng of Monday, November 6th, congregation paid a surprise and his family. The night was e cheerful rooms of the parson- a very delightful evening was any dispersed, Mr. Elting, one d the pastor, on behalf of the

- National Preacher, August, 1852. pp. 9.
3. The Duty Due to Deceased Pastors. A Discourse at the funeral of the Rev. George Schenck. 8vo, pp. 19. New York: 1852.
  4. New Edition of Gunn's Life of Livingston, with some new matter. 12mo, pp. 405. New York: 1856.
  5. Preface to tract, The Gospel the only True Reformer. 12mo, pp. 8. New York: 1856.
  6. The Noon Prayer-Meeting in Fulton Street. 12mo, pp. 308. New York: 1858. (Princeton Review XXXI., 157.)
  7. Memoir of Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen, LL.D. 12mo, pp. 289. New York: 1863.
  8. Economy & Christian Duty. Sermon in National Preacher, February, 1865. pp. 9.
  9. Defence of the Old and Rightful Name of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church. 8vo, pp. 24. New York: 1867.
  10. Discourse at the Centennial Anniversary of the North Dutch Church. 8vo, pp. 20. New York: 1869.
  11. Reminiscences of Dr. Alexander McClelland. A series of fourteen articles in The Christian Intelligencer. 1872.
  12. Exposition of International Series of S. S. Lessons in The Christian Intelligencer. 1873.
  13. Article on John Knox, the Reformer, in McClintock and Strong's Cyclopædia, Vol. V. 1873.
  14. Exposition of the Book of Zechariah. Royal 8vo, pp. 115. (In Lange's Commentary.) New York: 1874.
  15. Schmoller's Exposition of Amos. Translated and Enlarged. pp. 62. (In Lange's Commentary.) New York: 1874.
  16. Twenty-eight Articles on Palestine and the East. In Christian Intelligencer, 1874-5.
  17. Recalling the Past. A Sermon on the Twentieth Anniversary of the Church Fifth avenue and Twenty-ninth street. 8vo, pp. 15. New York: 1874.
  18. The Guileless Israelite. A Sermon in commemoration of Rev. Dr. T. DeWitt. Small 4to, pp. 22. New York: 1875.
  19. The Influence of the Reformed Dutch Church in Preserving Soundness of Doctrine. (Centennial Discourse.) New York: 1876.
  20. Vedder Lectures. The Psalter a Witness to the Divine Origin of the Bible. 12mo, pp. 225. New York: 1876.
- [CHANDLER, Rev. Dr. Thos. B.—1. The Life of Samuel Johnson, D.D., First President of Columbia College. 12mo, pp. 208. New York: 1805. (Refers to the early relations of the R. D. C. in Columbia College.)]
- CHAPMAN, Rev. John L.—1. History of the Origin and Claims of the Widows' Fund. 12mo, pp. 24. New York: 1854.
- CLARK, Rev. Rufus W.—1. Lectures to Young Men. Washington, D.C.: William M. Morrison. 1842. pp. 165.
2. Memoir of Rev. John E. Emerson. Boston: W. J. Reynolds & Co. 1851. pp. 406.
  3. Abridged for American Tract Society. 1852. pp. 272.
  4. Heaven and Its Scriptural Emblems. Illustrated. Boston: John P. Jewett & Co. 1853. 8vo, pp. 269.
  5. Lectures to Young Men. Boston: John P. Jewett & Co. 1853. 12mo, pp. 380.
  6. Life Scenes of the Messiah. Boston: John P. Jewett & Co. 1854. 12mo, pp. 330.
  7. Romanism in America. Boston: S. R. Whipple & Co. 1854. 12mo, pp. 271.
  8. The African Slave Trade. American Tract Society. 1860. pp. 102.
  9. Heroes of Albany; who fell in defence of our Nation. 1861-1865. Albany: S. R. Gray: 1867. octavo, pp. 870.
  10. The Bible and the School Fund. Boston: Lee & Shepard. 1870. pp. 127.
  11. The Work of God in Great Britain; under Messrs. Moody and Sankey, 1873-75. With Biographical Sketches. New York: Harper & Brothers. 12mo, pp. 371. Republished in England by Sampson, Low, Marston & Co., 188 Fleet street, London. pp. 312. Second American edition has Discourses of Mr. Moody added.
  12. Notes on the Sunday-school International Les-

24. Pamphlet. Popery and the United States. 1847. Portsmouth, N. H.
25. Discourse. Colleges and Theological Seminaries. Preached previous to the Annual Fast for Colleges. Congregational Journal. Concord, N. H. 1848.
26. Discourse. Death of President Taylor. Ports- mouth. 1850.
27. Discourse: Conscience and Law. Fast Day Ser- mon. Boston: Tappan & Whitman; Portsmouth, N. H.: Samuel H. Badger. 1851.
28. Discourse on the Elements of a Vigorous and Useful Character. Portsmouth, N. H.: 1848.
29. Essay on John Foster and His Writings. First published in Christian Observatory, April, 1848.
30. Discourse. The Moral Aspects of the Califor- nia Movement. The Christian Alliance. 1850.
31. Discourse. Ordination of Rev. John E. Emer- son at Newburyport, Mass., March, 1850. Published by Moses H. Sargent.
32. Discourse. Dedication of Church at Barn- stead, N. H. 1851.
33. Address. Before American Peace Society. Bos- ton: J. P. Jewett & Co. 1851.

### Albertus C. Van Raalte.

THE Executive Committee of the Council of Hope College, in view of the death of Rev. Dr. Alber- tus C. Van Raalte, the President of the Council, have adopted the following expression of their feelings, and have resolved to place it on permanent record on behalf of the whole Council:

Dr. Van Raalte having been identified with all the early history of the Holland Academy, while it was yet in a formative state, was appointed by the General Synod a member of the first Board of Superintendents when the institution was organized in 1863; and when the Board was incorporated in 1866, he was constituted "Permanent Member" to represent the Particular Synod of Chicago at large, which relation he held till the time of his decease.

In 1869, when the Whole School was recognized as the "Synod's Theological College," and the superin- tendency of the Council was extended to the Theolog- ical Department which had just been established, Dr. Van Raalte was chosen President of the Council, to which position he was reelected each subsequent year.

Thus both by previous labors and continued mem- bership and presidency of the Council, he was enabled to share to a very influential extent in the supervision of an enterprise so important and so dear in his eyes that to it he devoted a very valuable portion of real estate.

We rejoice that he lived long enough to see the real- ization of his desire as expressed in the first report sent to the General Synod in 1852, "This is my anch- or of hope for this people in the future." We mourn the severance of the tie which united us as co-laborers in a cause of so precious interest; and we tender to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathies and pray- ers in their behalf.

The foregoing was adopted at a regular meeting held Monday, November 13th, 1876.

ABEL T. STEWART, Secretary.

### In Memoriam.—Dr. Van Raalte.

A T a meeting of the professors in the different de- partments of Hope College, convened on notice of the death of Rev. Dr. A. C. Van Raalte, it was or- dered to place on record the following:

"The best energies of Dr. Van Raalte were for many years devoted to the cause of Christian educa- tion, and with excellent practical results. Having

tion, his influence among the Hollanders was exerted for the selecting of suitable young men as students and for providing means for their support.

Subsequently he became a member of the Council of Hope College, and in this capacity was always esteem- ed as one of the most valuable of the Holland repre- sentatives.

His associates in the Council and Executive Com- mittee, cherish his memory, and feel that in his depart- ure the institution has lost one of its best friends. The responsibility now becomes the heavier for those of us who remain, but we believe that the Lord will take care of His own work, and in place of His ser- vant whom He has called to his rest, will raise up oth-

Warren, and three each in North Plainfield and Branchburg. These 88 Sunday-schools in these nine townships, significantly indicate the strength, influ- ence and location of the different schools.

Hillsborough township, with its 15 schools (with one exception Mount Zion M. E.,) is represented by the Reformed Church. Of the seven schools in Mont- gomery, six are Reformed, a solitary one, Rocky Hill, is Methodist Episcopal. Branchburg, a small town- ship of three Sabbath-schools, reports them all Re- formed. In Bridgewater township, we have quite a variety: Reformed, Presbyterian, St. John's Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, Union, Baptist, and Congrega- tionalist. Franklin is represented by Presbyterian,

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Church, St. Johnsville	13 49		\$436 82
S. S., " "	1 59	SPECIAL.	
Yonkers' Chapel	5 19	S. S., Broadway Church,	
Rev. G. J. Van Nesto	5 00	Paterson	\$87 50
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Church, Fonda	\$15 00	Hopewell	\$24 86
Stone Arabia	5 70	Owasco Outlet	3 50
Ephratah	3 05	Ladies' Education Society,	
Collegiate Church Chapel West 29th Street	5 65	Flatbush, L. I.	175 00
Church, Greenleafton	4 75		\$296 21
Woodstock	5 00	FOR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.	
Readington, N. J.	44 20	Church, Muskegon	\$23 00
Church, Boardville, N. J.	10 00		

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himself been trained in one of the Universities of the Netherlands, and realizing the importance of sound learning as a qualification for the gospel ministry, he entered at the very outset of the colonial work in Michigan, which had been begun by him, upon such measures as promised to furnish suitable ministers for his people. His own efforts were united with those of our Reformed Church for the founding at Holland, in Michigan, of an institution whose chief aim should be the preparation of candidates for the ministry, and which has since grown into Hope College. To the welfare of the institution he gave largely of his time, his influence, and his property; and was rewarded by seeing its progress and usefulness.

"In his departure we recognize the voice of his Master calling at length to rest from the toils and conflicts of this earthly life.

"While we submissively bow to the Divine will, we mourn the loss of his aid and counsel.

"And we tender to his bereaved family our earnest Christian sympathies, with our prayers that this affliction may be sanctified to them, to this community, and to our whole Church.

"Resolved, That this action be published in the organs of our Church; that the General Faculty be requested to record it on their minutes, and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased."

C. DOESBURG, Sec.

HOPE COLLEGE, November 10th, 1876.

**Dr. Van Raalte.**

At a special meeting of the Theological Faculty of Hope College, held November 7th, 1876, the decease of Rev. A. C. Van Raalte, D.D., having been announced, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

In his death a strong man of God has been taken—a man whose views embraced the great underlying principles of human responsibility and God's supremacy, one who was intensely devoted to the interests of Christ's kingdom and the cause of humanity. To this his eventful life, his extraordinary labors and sufferings both in Europe and this country, testify.

The cause of Christian education was ever prominent in his mind and dear to his heart, and this Theological School, in which he had been elected a professor by the General Synod, and of whose Board of Superintendents he was President, is one of the fruits of his energy, liberality, and Christian faith. Therefore by this Faculty it is

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. A. C. Van Raalte, D.D., this Theological Seminary sustains the loss of one of its originators and continuous friends.

That it is with gratitude to God that we recognize his labors in the Church for so many years, and the success with which they have been crowned.

That we hereby tender to his family our Christian sympathies in this the hour of their sore bereavement, and commend them to the God of all comfort for sure consolation.

That this action be sent to the family of the deceased, and be published in THE CHRISTIAN INTELLIGENCER, Gospel Sower, De Hope, and Holland City News. Extracted from the Minutes.

T. ROMBYN BECK, Sec. Theolog. Fac.

HOLLAND CITY, November 13th, 1876.

**Cornelis Van Der Meulen.**

The Executive Committee of the Council of Hope College, in view of the death of their late associate Rev. Cornelis Van Der Meulen, which has occurred since their last meeting, desire to record the following expression:

Domine Van Der Meulen, as one of the pioneer ministers of the Holland colony in Michigan, took an active interest in the educational work which has since culminated in Hope College. Prior to the organization, his influence among the Hollanders was exerted for the selecting of suitable young men as students and for providing means for their support.

Subsequently he became a member of the Council of Hope College, and in this capacity was always esteemed as one of the most valuable of the Holland representatives.

His associates in the Council and Executive Committee, cherish his memory, and feel that in his departure the institution has lost one of its best friends. The responsibility now becomes the heavier for those of us who remain, but we believe that the Lord will take care of His own work, and in place of His servant whom He has called to his rest, will raise up oth-

er laborers. His bereaved family and church have our earnest sympathies; and we pray that this our common loss may be sanctified to our common good.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the Executive Committee, November 13th, 1876.

ABEL T. STEWART, Secretary.

**Home for the Friendless.**

The benevolent public are cordially invited to visit this institution, 32 East Thirtieth street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, on Thanksgiving day, November 30th, being the occasion of its twenty-eighth annual donation visit. Dinner for several hundred children will be served at one o'clock. Exercises in the chapel at half-past two and half-past six P.M.

The Home has sheltered, the last year, 1050 adults and children, and aided 14,050 persons. In its schools 5832 children are registered. More than 6000 visits have been made among the poor, and 26 barrels of oatmeal, 40,000 loaves of bread, and 10,000 garments given out.

Shoes! shoes! SHOES! new or second-hand; garments of all sorts and sizes, for boys and girls, adults and infants; provisions, bedding, money. Donations may be left at the office, 29 East Twenty-ninth street, or will be sent for if desired. Mrs. C. C. North, Pres.; Mrs. S. R. J. Bennett, Cor. Sec.; Mrs. L. A. Stone, Treas.; Mrs. H. J. Wilson, Rec. Sec.

**The Wilson Mission.**

The managers of the Wilson Industrial School, one of the wisest and best managed benevolent institutions in our city, in view of the distressing want existing among the poor, and their pressing needs, appeal to the public for a generous share of their contributions. During the past year this mission has had under its care 420 children, being the representatives of 178 families, in three-fourths of which the mother is the only parent. To these children they give, not only mental and spiritual instruction, but a wholesome dinner every day; sometimes a breakfast, and in extreme cases of need, a pail of soup and a loaf of bread to take home to the starving mother and infants. And they now appeal to their kind friends, both in the city and country, to send them donations of winter vegetables and fruits—such as potatoes, turnips, carrots, cabbages, apples, etc., thereby, they being assured of the blessed promise, that, "He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord; and look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again." It is hoped that a large portion of these gifts may be sent in the week before Thanksgiving, so as to enable the mission to give their annual Thanksgiving dinner to its beneficiaries. Boxes, barrels, etc., may be addressed to Miss Emily Huntington, Wilson Mission House, corner Avenue A and Eighth street, New York.

**Sabbath-schools of Somerset County, N. J.**

ONE hundred years ago, there were not, in this county, any Sabbath-schools. The four resident "domines," Rev. S. Kennedy of the Presbyterian Church of Baskingridge, Rev. Israel Reed, Presbyterian Church of Bound Brook, Rev. J. M. Harlingen, Reformed Dutch Church of Millstone and New Shannoc, and the Rev. Mr. Hardenburgh, Reformed Dutch Church of North Branch, Raritan and Bedminster, religiously instructed the children, and catechized them; but Sunday-schools, such as we have in this eventful Centennial year, there were not. At the present time we have in this county, 88; they are classified as follows: Reformed, 40; Union, 17; Methodist Episcopal, 15; Presbyterian, 9; Protestant Episcopal, 3; Baptist, 2; Congregationalist, 2; total 88.

Of the 88 Sabbath-schools, 17 are found in Franklin township, 17 in Bridgewater, 15 in Hillsborough, 11 in Bedminster, 9 in Bernards, 7 in Montgomery, 6 in Warren, and three each in North Plainfield and Branchburg. These 88 Sunday-schools in these nine townships, significantly indicate the strength, influence and location of the different schools.

Hillsborough township, with its 15 schools (with one exception Mount Zion M. E.,) is represented by the Reformed Church. Of the seven schools in Montgomery, six are Reformed, a solitary one, Rocky Hill, is Methodist Episcopal. Branchburg, a small township of three Sabbath-schools, reports them all Reformed. In Bridgewater township, we have quite a variety: Reformed, Presbyterian, St. John's Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, Union, Baptist, and Congregationalist. Franklin is represented by Presbyterian,

one, Methodist Episcopal only, the rest are divided between the Reformed and Union. Bedminster has within its limits a variety: Reformed, Presbyterian, Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Reformed, and Presbyterian, and Union, without any adverb or qualifying term. Bernards township, with its nine Sunday-schools, has not one Reformed, neither has Warren with its six schools, nor North Plainfield with its three. In this, the northeastern part of the county, the ground is principally occupied by Presbyterians and Methodists; in the southern part by our friends the Reformed.

Respecting these four score and eight schools, many excellent things may be said. Sixty-two of them use the International lessons, an increase of twenty-eight in two years. Forty-seven of them, more than one-half, and that too, in rural districts, continue their schools during the winter.

All the year, seed time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, the scholars and teachers regularly attend; they are present to sing God's praises, read His Word, hear of heaven, and learn the way. During the past thirteen years there has been a decided improvement in the number of schools kept open. Thirteen years ago—or in 1863—60 out of the then 77 schools closed their doors in the winter season. During the past sixteen years, or since 1860, there has been an increase of 11 schools, 166 teachers, and 1540 scholars. The Sunday-school report of 1860 shows 29 conversions, the past year, 1875, shows 169. In 1860, the number of teachers, church members was 628; this year it is 947, an increase of 219. During the time specified, four times four years, there has only been an increase of eleven schools.

This shows, that the county then, as now, was well supplied with these Sabbath institutions. At the present time, every suitable and available locality in the county has within its limits a Sunday-school on the Lord's day.—Rev. G. T. Jackson, in Somerville Gazette.

**Y. M. C. A. Notes.**

J. M. MEEKER, State Secretary of New Jersey, writes to the International Committee that the work in that State is increasing and is very encouraging. Fourteen local conferences have been held since the adjournment of the State convention a month ago.

At the last convention of the Y. M. C. A. of Vermont, twenty-two associations were represented, and thirty churches also sent delegates. There were eighty-eight names on the roll of the convention. The amount of money expended during the past year for the State work was \$2426.63.

Good news is reported from Mansfield and Woodstock, Conn. At a recent meeting held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. at the former place, seventeen persons rose for prayer; and at a similar meeting at Woodstock, twenty-three asked to be remembered at the Mercy-seat.

The Executive Committee of the Y. M. C. A. of the State of New York has appointed nine committees for as many districts of the State. It is earnestly desired that associations will correspond freely with the district chairman, and as soon as practicable arrangements will be made for a conference to be held in each district.

Rev. O. C. MORSE, late of Orange, N. J., has received and accepted a call to the General Secretaryship of the Y. M. C. A. of Schenectady, N. Y. Mr. Morse has for a long time been identified with association work, and the State of New Jersey in losing him misses not only an active worker, but the corresponding member for the State. Mr. Morse has already entered upon his duties.

**Board of Education, R. C. A.**

RECEIPTS FOR AUGUST, 1876.

From Flatbush Education Society.....	\$185 00	Church, Gravetend.....	\$25 27
Church, Marion.....	9 10	1st Church, Tarrytown.....	112 28
Sayville.....	2 50	Tappan.....	12 01
1st Church, Paterson.....	41 55	Rotterdam, Kansas.....	3 00
Overysel.....	12 99	Montville.....	10 25
G. Van Nostrand.....	200 00	Pompton (add.).....	2 00
Church, Holmdel.....	17 00		\$638 85

RECEIPTS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1876.

Church, Shawangunk.....	\$5 78	A Lady, Collegiate Church.....	\$100 00
Walden.....	33 00	Two individual gifts, 1st Church, Hackensack.....	50 00
H. Kronmeyer.....	3 00	Church, Astoria.....	35 00
Church, Millbrook.....	9 88	Mapleton.....	5 10
Pascack.....	5 75	Harley.....	5 10
Roxbury.....	10 02	Franklin Park.....	30 00
Coeymans.....	17 50	Fultonville.....	40 16
Walkill Valley.....	8 00	2d Church, New Brunswick.....	35 38
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck, D.D.....	10 00		\$430 83
Church, St. Johnsville.....	13 49		
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Church, Greenleafston.....	4 75		
Woodstock.....	5 00	FOR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.	
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