



The administration building of Houghton College as it looked in years gone by, when it was situated on Tucker Hill. We are advancing, students, always advancing. Yet, we must not forget to boost even now.

## HOUGHTON COLLEGE TAKES FORWARD STEPS

### Its History is Fraught with Advancement

Western New York has been aptly called the "Garden of the World". A series of twenty parallel valleys, holding twelve beautiful lakes surrounded by oval, ice-built hills, constitute the Genesee Country. Although many Indian tribes inhabited these regions of forest paradise, the Senecas were predominant, and we find many traces of their former life in this section. The old Indian trails branched in all directions, and some are not yet entirely obliterated.

In the period between 1783 to 1842, the white man took possession. Many French, English, Dutch and American men and women were captured, and hidden by the angry red tribes. The most reliable and interesting story of this nature, is that of Mary Jamison, the White Woman of the Genesee. The record of her history from her own lips, gives an authentic account of Seneca life from 1755 to 1823,—an account without its equal in value as an interpretation of the times. Her monument stands on the historic site of Letchworth Park.

Just across the river from Houghton, Moses VanCampen ran the gauntlet; and we find a boulder in his memory on the spot where the race for life was held.

The canal question of this section, was being agitated in 1807, but it was not until 1825 that the last section was completed, and traffic began.

In a region so freight with historic lore, stands Houghton College, evolved through many years by faith and works, from the old Seminary on Tucker Hill. In a priceless old record written by the founder, W. J. Houghton, we find an interesting account of the first school. The eleven acres of ground was the liberal donation of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tucker. The first money paid to the Building Fund was by Rev. T. K. Doty. In April 1883 the ground was broken by Alonzo Thayer and Rev. D. W. Bale, who also had charge of excavating for the foundation. In the Spring Conference of 1883, subscriptions for building and endowment came to \$1500.

The construction work was in the hands of a Mr. Armstrong of Cuba; C. P. Lapham put on the roof; and Walter Arnold did the inside work.

In September 1884 the building was sufficiently finished so that school could be opened. W. H. Kennedy was selected as Principal.

A personal touch enters and we see in Willard Houghton's handwriting the following words, "Time would fail to speak of the many interesting Providences connected in the planting of this school. Heaven seemed to smile upon it from the beginning."

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### "ELDER" ROY DOES FADE-AWAY ACT Hands Injured in Fall

Although there was apparently little excitement during the . . . hours of last Monday night when the ghosts and goblins of Halloween were rampant, nevertheless, a few prowling marauders who were bent on mischief and a general good time, were plainly visible, at times, under the street lights and illuminated windows of the College buildings. Undoubtedly the fun derived from misfortunes which befell individual members of the "gang" was greater than that afforded by pranks played on the citizenry. "Elder" Roy proved himself to be an especially gifted humorist, when he unceremoniously slid down a steep embankment, using his hands for motive power.

The bunch of Halloween celebrators were industriously performing their duty on the brow of a certain hill not far from the College building, when an automobile rounded a bend in the road, and flashed its gleaming headlights in the faces of the guilty ones. The "Little Deacon," being one of those who had determined to rouse the populace that night, stood as if frozen in his tracks when the stream of light played upon his countenance. The cold chills ran with lightning-like speed up and down that portion of his back commonly known as the spinal column, while the abundant growth of black hair which adorned his gracious pate, persisted in attaining a vertical position. But only for the fraction of a sec.

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### SPOOKY PARTY AT COOPER HOME

#### Miss Rothermel Appears Bashful

Last Saturday afternoon, the interested members of the faculty and student body gazed with frank astonishment, while the Wadsworth car rolled down the College Hill, with Prof. Lawless and "Mose" firmly planted in the rear. Shortly afterwards, the Cooper Studebaker, piloted by the faithful chauffeur, "Jonsey", carried Miss Burnell, most suitably chaperoned by Jane Williams, "Chug" Snyder, "Cash" Conner and "Wes" Gleason. Faith and Scottie "took off" with Aunt Bertha and landed safely on the Sonvea air-port.

The house was even gayer than usual, elaborately decorated with cats and witches, and here and there a grinning jack-o-lantern. After Miss Rothermel had overcome her natural timidity, the fun began. Various games that were gleaned from the fertile and active im-

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### GLEASON TAKES TOUR IN SOUTH

#### Witnesses Mississippi Flood

Having been asked to give a short account of my Chautauqua experiences, allow me to say that I consider such a life exceedingly interesting, and one that passes only too quickly. It was my privilege to travel with the "Rocky Mountain Quartette" under the management of Hub Morris of Boise, Idaho. This quartette has appeared numerous times in every state in the Union, winning success every program. They have broadcasted from several Chicago stations as well as from Denver, Colorado.

Following our strenuous rehearsals and "try-out" in Chicago, we appeared in Lake Arthur, Louisiana for our first Chautauqua date. We were working on Circuit "C" one of the longest circuits in the country.

We encountered many thrilling experiences and saw many interesting sights on the way. South as the flood was at its worst. The most thrilling of these was when we crossed the raging Mississippi River at St. Louis on the last train West before the bridge was washed away and witnessed East St. Louis under water. We were twenty-three hours late in reaching our destination due to the flood.

On our circuit with us were the Kempton Players—who presented the play "Give and Take," and the Porter Vochestral Party—a high class musical company. In addition to these groups were two well-known speakers who lectured on law enforcement. This made up the talent for the "C" Circuit of the Radcliffe Chautauqua.

We found Louisiana enjoying a climate somewhat warmer than that which we left in Illinois a few days previously. The people in that particular part of Louisiana are of French descent. They are very entertaining, and appreciative of our programs. As this was my first trip South, I was very much thrilled with the palm trees, flat country, and Spanish Moss. We were in Louisiana for about two weeks, then went to Texas where we remained for nine weeks.

We visited nearly every part of Texas during our trip. We were as far west as El Paso and then we followed along the Oklahoma border. Then we spent some time along the Mexican border, in the Rio Grande Valley, and along the Gulf thence back to Northeast Texas again.

While in Texas we witnessed a real cyclone, passed through a sand storm, were stranded in the middle of the river, and had to swim ashore. We spent a day in Matamoros, Mexico.

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### THE C. I. C. FEASTS ON PHEASANT

#### Mrs. Remington's Treat

Last Friday evening the members of the C. I. C. (College Inn Confederation) enjoyed a most appetizing feast of pheasant and rabbit, including other dainties which go to make up a good meal. One dainty especially worthy of mention, was Mrs. Remington's pumpkin pie, which all concerned agreed was most superb.

At various intervals during the meal, occasional members paused long enough to express in enthusiastic exclamations the delightful qualities of the bountiful repast. When all had feasted according to their several abilities, (marked ability being exhibited by each individual) they arose from the board and voiced their appreciation with nine lusty rabs for the Remingtons, the donors of the feast.

### CANON HOWITT AD- DRESSES HOUGHTONITES

#### Famous Anglican Clergyman of Hamilton, Ontario

On Wednesday of this week there came to Houghton an unusual privilege, that of hearing one of the great men who are helping to uphold the fundamentals of the Christian faith, Canon F. E. Howitt, clergyman of the Anglican Church of Hamilton, Ontario.

At the chapel hour, Canon Howitt gave to the student body and townspeople a most inspirational and illuminating Bible reading on Genesis 15: "The Justification of Abraham".

"To understand the fifteenth chapter of Genesis", he said, "is to understand all that our salvation depends upon. The justification of Abraham is the first one recorded in Scripture, and it is typical of all others." Canon Howitt considered his subject under three heads: the circumstances, the means, and the ground of this first justification. He recounted Abraham's meeting with God when God made His promise and Abraham's faith laid hold of it. The promise was of his seed which should be as the dust of the earth, (men in their natural state, the heathen world), as the sands of the sea (the natural state, i.e. the Jews), and as the stars of heaven (the spiritual seed); and of the great SEED through whom the promise is made effectual. "Whenever God repeats His statements we want to look for amplification of thought."

The means of Abraham's justification, and of ours also, is the personal Christ, the written Word, and faith. The Word of the Lord came to Abraham, none other than the Word who "was made flesh and dwelt among us." Abraham believed God and it was counted to him for righteousness.

The ground of justification was in God's covenant. God dealt with Abraham in grace.

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### BIG TIME SCHED- ULED FOR NOV. 11

#### "Remmie", Prof. Lawless, and Miss Isabel Tubbs in Joint Recital

The townspeople and student body will be delighted to know that Harriet Remington, together with Prof. Lawless and Miss Isabel Tubbs, a noted harpist from Buffalo, will appear on our entertainment platform, Friday, November 11. "Remmie" needs no introduction to the student body or to the citizens of Houghton and surrounding towns. She is a reader of extraordinary talent; and her work has been favorably received throughout this section. Those who have heard her before, will not desire to miss this opportunity; and those who have not been formerly privileged, cannot afford to stay away.

The skill and perfection of those who are to work in conjunction with Miss Remington, goes without comment. Prof. Lawless, although a new member of the faculty this year, has already proved himself a master of the piano. He is a music teacher of rare qualities, and a player above the average to a considerable degree. Miss Tubbs, is reported to be one of the finest harpists obtainable. Having been trained in Buffalo, she has had considerable experience, and will undoubtedly be a delight to her audience.

The proceeds of the concert will be used in furthering the educational and musical departments of the College. It is a worthy cause, advanced by a well-balanced, entertaining, concert. We especially invite the people of neighboring towns to be with us. Let us make this concert a decided success. Tell your friends about it! Don't fail to be present!

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## Collegiate Sam Says:

Another good thing about telling the truth  
is, you don't have to remember what you say.

## EDITORIAL

## "DON'T LIKE HOUGHTON?" JUST ANOTHER GAG!

No matter what is our individual position in this world where we are destined to remain until a Higher Being calls us hence, it appears that we are never satisfied with our lot. Whether reveling in happiness, pleasure, and wealth to the greatest degree, or struggling in the slough of despondency and sorrow, it matters not. We are ever complaining; always looking for an easier way. Not only in worldly affairs do we find this to be a fact, but also in college life. If, while walking over the campus and through the halls of our own institution, the stroller will keep himself on the alert, it will not be difficult to overhear many a complaining sentence relating to Houghton's irksome rules and general life. And, in a greater or less degree, this is as it should be. For if we are to advance in any material sense, we must always work for the right, we must always fight for the principles which we believe to be true. Yet, I wonder if that student who carelessly and sometimes angrily states, "I hate the place!", really means what those burning words imply. Recently, I have been talking to a number of College men and women who belong to Houghton's popular group, concerning this very problem. The great majority of these students believe there are points in our college life where melioration could advantageously enter; yet, in another sense, they are deeply and firmly attached to our Alma Mater. A few (and only a few), frankly stated that they did not like Houghton. Is this the case? I'm inclined to believe that it is not, in spite of their statement. Every year, as the college group is leaving for the summer vacation, we hear those now familiar words, "Boy, I wouldn't come back for the world." Yet, when the time for another term rolls around, the same student who has uttered these words, feels a peculiar tug at his heartstrings, an aching void which can only be remedied by returning to the old school. I am fully aware of the fact that we sometimes feel blue and discouraged with life. Yet, underneath all our troubles, there is a love for dear old Houghton which cannot be denied. On the spur of the moment, we will often say things which, upon consideration, we would not have uttered. Like Houghton? Sure you like it! Don't pull the same old gag. Think, think, before you speak!

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

Royal Woodhead and family are visiting at the home of his parents.

Miss Elsie Laig of Cleveland Ohio, is visiting her friend, Miss Winnifred Pitt.

The Ladies' Missionary Society tied comforters for Mrs. Remington Tuesday afternoon.

News has recently reached our office, of the marriage of Mary Shea to Herbert Robertson. Both are former Houghton students.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles O'Connor, of Oyster Bay, L. I., were pleasant callers of Mrs. Baker and Prof. Allen Baker, on Wednesday.

S. C. Crawford passed away Sunday night. His funeral was held at the house Wednesday. Rev. Dean Bedford of Rochester officiating.

Arden Burt, a former Houghton student, is now employed in Wellsville, and residing with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Mattoon.

Hallowe'en was celebrated in much the usual style in Houghton. The climax of the pranks was the robbing of the clothes-line at the Girls' Dorm. The result was in evidence next day suspended from the flag-pole.

An automobile accident occurred on the Main St. of this village Sunday night, when three cars came abreast in front of Thayer's house. One car was damaged as a result of running into Thayer's milk stand. The car on the other side of the road, in attempting to avoid a collision with the other two, very nearly struck Billy Crandall. Fortunately no one was hurt.

## H. S. FRESHMAN AND SOPHS ENJOY HALLOWE'EN

## Party in Dorm Annex

Last Friday evening, the High School Freshmen and Sophomores gathered at the reception room of the dormitory, for a Hallowe'en party. Here, with Miss Rork, they played games, while one by one, they were taken down stairs to be initiated. Miss Benning blind-folded each one and led him into the annex. There the student was informed that in order to become a member of his class, he must first give the class sign, which was three long, loud "bahs." While the unfortunate one was uttering these sounds, salt was thrown into his mouth. The leader then compelled the subject for initiation to seat himself, that she might tell him more concerning his future. When he was seated, he was surprised to find himself upon the floor. This latter action terminated the initiation.

Interesting games were then played until ice cream, cake, and candy were served. After the refreshments, the lights were dimmed, and our fortunes were told. A few hearty yells brought the evening to a jolly close.

## SERVICE AT ANGELICA

## Alfred Gross Preaches

The Christian Workers held a very interesting service in Angelica last Sunday evening. Taking the remarks of appreciation expressed by the pastor and people present as evidence, the special music, consisting of a duet by Miss VanDusen and Mr. Shipman; also a number by the men's trio was enjoyed very much. Mr. Gross brought a message that was very timely and expressive of the truth. The band of workers appreciate the hospitality shown by all those present.

## REV. R. J. SMELTZER VISITS HOUGHTON

## Brings Inspiring Message

The people of Houghton were highly honored in having Bro. Smeltzer, formerly a missionary to India, but at present the pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Akron, Ohio, speak to them twice, once in the College Chapel, and again on Sunday evening in the Church.

Sunday evening, he preached to an appreciative audience from Matthew 6:33—"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." In the first place, the people are seeking education and worldly pleasures, and thus missing the most important thing in life—seeking God. The kingdom of God includes three things—righteousness, peace, and joy. Righteousness is a heart condition which comes only through forgiveness of sins. Many people have a profession, but not a possession. Righteousness is a heart possession, a personal relationship and companionship with Jesus Christ every day. Peace is not only a heart condition, but also a condition of the mind. It is that peace of mind and conscience that removes the fear of death and of the judgment; that peace "which passes all understanding." Joy is also a condition of both heart and mind. Real holy joy is obtained from Jesus, not by chance. We must seek for it with all our strength, for Matthew says, "The kingdom of God suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

Although we fully intended to publish another article by "Dad" Tierney this week, our limited space forbids it. Later in the year, however, we hope to run a series of articles from "Dad". Watch for them!—Editor

## Anna Houghton Daughters

The Anna Houghton Daughters will meet with Mrs. W. L. Fancher Friday, Nov. 4, at 4 p. m. Miss Gillette will give a talk on topics pertaining to election.

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The meeting also marked the official opening of a general campaign to raise \$985,000 to be used for the construction of new buildings, repair of old structures and an endowment. Prominent citizens of Rochester, as well as friends of Chesbrough Seminary are serving in this campaign *Exchange*.

**GLEASON TAKES TOUR IN SOUTH**

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ico, and at another time visited the famous King Ranch, besides seeing much of Texas. Perhaps it would be of interest to the girls to know that we encountered rattlesnakes, tarantulas, horned-toads, and chiggers.

From Texas we worked our way North through Oklahoma, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky, into Indiana. One of the interesting experiences in Indiana was visiting at the home of James Whitcomb Riley in Greenfield. From Indiana we went into Ohio and Pennsylvania, thence down through the Virginias, where we witnessed "Lindy's" reception at Wheeling. We continued our travel and work through North and South Carolina and Alabama, then back into Tennessee and Georgia.

An attempt to relate all the experiences in order as they happened throughout the season would be entirely too much. This account which I have given is but a brief outline of my six months work, travel, and experiences. Having traveled this one season and having become interested in the work, I am anxiously awaiting the coming summer season, when I expect to resume this line of work again.

Wesley Gleason.

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From 1884 to 1927 the school has progressed, not by leaps and bounds perhaps, but steadily, worthily, and through loyal co-operation until the permanent charter is no longer a fond dream, but a most satisfactory reality.

"The Houghton we all love

Is on the Genesee

We'll prize her name away

In fondest memory.

We love those who have given

Their all for Houghton dear

They sacrificed and gave their all

When few there were to cheer."

But they are having their reward in the Life Hereafter, and in the loving hearts of those now privileged to attend the institution made possible through their efforts.

### "ELDER" ROY DOES THE

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and did the "Elder" stand thus. For when he realized the danger he was in, he suddenly turned, and dashed down over the mountain with the speed of an express train. At such a rate, it was impossible for him to keep his equilibrium, and the most part of his journey was made with his hands as skids. Over a nice, "soft," bed of prickly chestnut burs, he slid with the ease of an expert, while "Prexy" and his Chrysler, passed by on the road above.

In a few moments, "Elder" regained his self-control, and uttering words of disgust with the world at large, joined the group of laughing boys, his hands smarting exceedingly, having been jammed full of foreign matter, in the form of chestnut burs. Under a street light, he endeavored to extract the aggravating substance, while "Dizzy" Densmore calmly advised him to "use his bean for something besides a headache."

### SPOOKY PARTY AT HOME OF "BEE" COOPER

*Miss Rothenmel Appears Bashful*  
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agination of Miss Burnell, were played in rapid succession. No one seemed stilted at all; in fact, everyone enjoyed himself in his own particular way.

Toward five-thirty, we all noticed that "Mose" was rather nervous. Of course we weren't sure, but perhaps "T" Crandall's arrival had something to do with it.

At six o'clock, the guests were ushered into the beautifully decorated dining room, and were seated at the table, spread with the most royal feast imaginable. The dessert was ice cream, perfectly molded into forms of cats, owls, apples, carrots, corn, pumpkins, potatoes, and cucumbers. When the feasters were able to move again, the games were resumed. A jolly time continued until ten o'clock, when the party broke up, not from choice, but necessity.

There is a unified opinion that Sonyea is the best possible place for parties. The entire group is in favor of following "Bee's" suggestion—that we live there and commute.

### CANON HOWITT ADDRESSES HOUGHTONITES

Famous Anglican Clergyman of Hamilton, Ontario.

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as shown by the fact that Abraham sacrificed five animals. The smoking altar, the lamp passing between the pieces, are the symbols of God, the Father (Ex. 19:18) and of Christ, the Son. It was they who covenanted for man's redemption. As God was faithful and just to forgive Abraham, so will He be faithful and just to forgive us.

### Holds Church Service in Evening

In the evening, Canon Howitt, using St. Paul's marvelous experience as found in II Corinthians 12:1-5, discoursed on the future life. He pointed out five things which this experience reveals to us: It is possible for a spirit to live in a conscious state apart from the body; there is no conscious death for the Christian; the third heaven and paradise are, since the death

of Christ, the same place, the immediate destination of the dead in Christ; heaven (modern science to the contrary notwithstanding) as to direction, is up, above us; and it is a place of unspeakable blessedness, that is, a place that no one can describe.

In closing, Canon Howitt made a most earnest appeal to those who were not sure of an entrance into this blessed place to prepare themselves. He asked, "Can we make sure of heaven? How can we make sure of it?" and answered the question pointing to the blood of Christ, the only atonement for sin. "Blessed are they that have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb, that they may have a right (authority) to eat of the tree of life and live forever and enter through the gates into the city."

—Rev. 22:14, Douey Version.

### Best Batters in School

Grover Bates	22	4	9	.409
Volney Mosher	18	5	7	.388
Gordon Allen	21	7	7	.333
Carl Lutz	12	3	4	.333
Willet Albro	19	4	6	.316
Richard Wing	17	3	5	.292
Howard Burnham	11	3	3	.273
Royal Engberg	21	5	5	.238
Ernest Crocker	17	2	4	.235
James Fiske	15	2	3	.200

Professor Claud Ries's father and mother from Akron, Ohio were his quests a week ago Thursday night. They could spend but one night here, as they were returning home from a trip to Canada.

### MORE CHAFF

"Wiffy" Bain experienced a most unusual dream recently. He dreamed he was in a choir of five thousand sopranos, five thousand altos, five thousand tenors and he the only bass. The choir began singing, the sopranos, altos and tenors singing *forte*. The director stopped, scowled and turning to Bain said, "Not so loud on the bass, please."

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