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At a meeting of the SENIOR CLASS OF BROWN UNIVERSITY, held in the Committee Room of the First Baptist Meeting-House, it was unanimously

VOTED. That the President of the Class appoint a Committee to solicit of the Orator and Poet of Class Day their productions, and make all necessary arrangements for the publication of the same.

E. B. HAMLIN, } Committee.
F. B. GREENE, }

"What we know about Class printing."

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THE UNITY OF HUMANITY, THE FOUNDATION PRIN-
CIPLE OF MODERN CIVILIZATION.


An Oration :

BY ANDREW J. JENNINGS,

OF FALL RIVER, MASS.



The Unity of Humanity, the Foundation Principle of Modern Civilization.

IVILIZATION is a fact. It is the result of human action as a whole. It is based on certain principles, and these principles determine its character. The civilization of a nation, country or age is embodied in public institutions and polity, and in the moral and intellectual ideas promulgated by individuals. As society to-day is the expression of a distinct civilization, and as many of you are about to assume an active part as members of society, we have thought it appropriate to call your attention to the fundamental principle of modern civilization.

We say modern civilization, because at different periods of the world's history several distinct forms of civilization have appeared. Among the Hebrews the pure theocracy prevailed, constituting the people a religious body. The State was only an appendage to the Church, and political development an almost unheard of phenomenon. Among the Egyptians, Hindoos, and several other Eastern nations, existed a semi-theocratic civilization, marked by the tyranny of religious caste, which enervated the people, checked progress, and gave to Eastern civilization its characteristic features of torpidity and immobility. In Greek civilization the social principle was the controlling idea. It gave to Greek art and literature the unity and perfection which so powerfully influenced subsequent generations, though it