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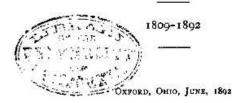
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PREFATORY NOTE.

THE publication of this Alumni and Former Student Catalogue is in response to a general desire among the alumni and friends of the University to secure and preserve in accessible form a succinct account of the alumni and former students from the earliest days to the present. The work was undertaken during the year 1890 and has been resumed throughout the present year. The effort has been made to secure full and accurate accounts of all students who have ever enrolled, but on account of the great amount of work that had to be done in gathering the material for the alumni, it was impossible to give as much attention to the former students as this department should have received. Hence the list of former students concerning whom information is given is somewhat limited, but we hope that the impetus given to the work in this volume will enable us to soon collect a pretty full account of all. Many excellent sketches of graduates have been received, which, we regret to say, it is impossible to use in their entirety in a catalogue. All the material of this character that has been gathered will be kept on file, and it is hoped that in the near future we shall be able to publish a volume of early history that will give a full account of the University and her men. We desire to express our obligation and thanks to the friends who have so kindly and generously helped us in gathering this material. If any student or friend to whom this catalogue may come shall be able to give us additional information concerning deceased alumni or students, or concerning any whose address we

have not been able to secure, such information will be gladly welcomed and preserved for future use.

The work of gathering the material and preparing this catalogue has been a labor of love on the part of Walter Lawrence Tobey, of the class of 1891. His gratuitous services at great expenditure of time and labor deserve grateful recognition, which we gladly give. The expense of publication has been borne by Senator Calvin S. Brice, of the class of 1863, to whose liberal generosity the University in recent years is greatly indebted.

W. O. THOMPSON.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY,

June 1st, 1892.

HISTORICAL NOTE.

The history of Miami University covers the period of early growth and development of much of the North-west Territory. During these years her graduates have been men of character and patriotic sentiment who have been among the foremost citizens of our country. In the time of our great struggle her sons were upon nearly every battlefield. Through her commanding influence in the early history of Western life she has contributed not a little to the direction of national affairs. The reader of this catalogue will discern among her graduates names that will suggest the sweep of this influence.

The University owes her existence to a land grant made by Congress in 1788 to John Cleves Symmes, in which provision was made to establish an institution of learning. Oxford township, Butler county, was given to the University and leased for ninetynine years under the statutory provision that the lease should be renewable forever without revaluation. The trustees are appointed by the governor of Ohio.

The first school was opened in 1815 and in 1824 the collegiate department was organized with Rev. R. H. Bishop, D. D., as its first president. The first class was graduated in 1826.

The University was closed owing to financial embarrassment from 1873 till 1885. At this time the State of Ohio made a liberal appropriation and has continued to do so from year to year. The buildings were all refitted and improved. The new chapel with its memorial windows will be attractive to all former students. The Brice Scientific Hall erected in 1891 and 1892 is now in use and is one of the best equipped buildings for scientific purposes in the State. The Faculty was increased at the opening and now has ten members.

A renewed interest is being taken in the University by all her old friends. The attendance is increasing, the State is treating us kindly and generously, the Trustees are hearty in their support, and the Faculty are a company of working men who are determined upon the best attainable results in education.

The library has now more than eleven thousand volumes and is well adapted to the needs of Faculty and students and catalogued upon the Dewey system.

The University has never been as well equipped for educational work as at the present. Superior advantages are furnished for earnest young men at a moderate cost in one of the most beautiful locations in Ohio. The climate is moderate and healthful. The alumni and friends take a just pride in the record of the University and every indication points to a future not less honorable.