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## NOTE BY THE COMMITTEE.

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At a meeting of the Associated Alumni of Middlebury College, August 16th, 1843, a Committee was appointed to "collect information preparatory to publishing a Catalogue in English, of the Alumni of the College, giving the residence and profession or occupation of each, and any other particulars" which "might be of general interest."

A circular was issued by the chairman of this Committee, Dr. S. P. LATHROP, and sent to all whose residence was known at the time, and subsequently to others from time to time, as their places of residence could be ascertained. Nearly two hundred letters were received in reply, which were put on file, and abstracts of a considerable number were made and copied into a permanent record. So little, however, of all that was necessary to make the record complete, was as yet received, that it was deemed inexpedient to publish the Catalogue; and the operations of the Committee were for a time suspended.

Meanwhile, the chairman and others of the Committee had removed from Middlebury. The near approach of the Semi-Centennial Celebration was considered a favorable time for renewing the effort to complete the materials for the Catalogue. The Committee was re-organized, and a special effort made to ascertain the residences of the graduates; and early in 1850, circulars were again sent forth—to the number of four hundred or more—to all whose address was known, except such as had already been heard from. The result of this new effort was, that a large number of returns were ultimately received, though not in season to be available before the Jubilee.

Mr. T. S. PEARSON, then a member of College, in connection with his labors in preparing the improved Triennial of 1850, had procured from various sources, a large amount of information in addition to that obtained by the Committee. He was employed to copy into a perma-

nent record, abstracts of all the letters received and such other authentic information as had come to his knowledge. A report was made to the Associated Alumni at their meeting in August, 1850, but the press of business at that time prevented any decisive action. The subject was recommitted, with no specific instructions.

Somewhat more than a year ago, the materials being judged sufficiently complete, arrangements were made for printing the Catalogue at the press in Middlebury; but unforeseen causes occasioned a delay till the removal of Mr. PEARSON to a distant part of the State. In consequence of the difficulty of procuring any other suitable person to prepare the matter for the press, a different arrangement from the one originally contemplated became necessary; and the subscriptions already procured, together with the responsibility of publication, have been transferred to Mr. PEARSON.

It is no more than simple justice to the Editor to state, that, to his labors in collecting information from a great variety of sources, no less than to his care and skill in compiling the materials committed to him, is owing in no small degree whatever of completeness and accuracy the work as a whole shall be found to possess.

The Committee have been able to do little more by way of supervision and assistance, than to prescribe the general principles on which the Editor should proceed in preparing his materials for the press. In all the details of the execution, he has been obliged to rely exclusively upon his own judgment and taste.

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MIDDLEBURY, Vt., June 1, 1853.

N. B. To correct errors and supply deficiencies that may appear in the present edition of the Catalogue, information is respectfully solicited, directed to the Secretary of the Associated Alumni of Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont.



## NOTE BY THE EDITOR.

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No publication of a character so similar to this as to be at all of use as a model, has come to our knowledge. Of the few works on the same general plan, some, such as the Register of the United States Military Academy at West Point, (1850, pp. 303,) are prepared in tabular form and are more purely statistical than this is designed to be; others, like the Brief Memoirs of the Class of 1787, Yale College, (1848, pp. 99,) enter into genealogical and other details more than our plan allows. Consequently, to a considerable extent our work is of a new kind, and if it be found to be performed with less skill than our successors will easily attain, this will share only the usual lot of similar attempts.

The question, what should be inserted and what omitted—one of no little delicacy—was decided, so far as *general* rules could go, by the Committee. The following particulars, or so many of them as could be learned, are given concerning each Alumnus:—When and where born; where fitted for College; where and how long employed in teaching; where or with whom read profession; where and how long professionally employed; what offices held; what works published; what degrees received, (D. D. or LL. D.); also concerning the dead, when and where they died. It was decided to omit whatever might wound the feelings of friends; also unaccepted appointments and nominations, with one or two exceptions. There must be many recent changes of residence, &c., of which we have not learned. A few particulars are given concerning the dead, but omitted in regard to the living; for instance, membership of the Corporation of Middlebury College. Relationships are indicated in the Index. Towns and Academies, not followed by the name of a State, are in Vermont, except where the same town has been mentioned and its State given in

the same article. Addison County Grammar School, very frequently mentioned, is in Middlebury. Technical accuracy is not always observed; for instance, the expression "was Pastor . . . . 1826-34," is used concerning a person who was not *ordained* till 1827, though he commenced his labors in 1826.

Numerous errors doubtless occur. In regard to many individuals, for want of any thing more reliable, we have been obliged to insert what some friend "thought." We sometimes ascertained that they thought wrong. For example, two classmates of a certain gentleman told us that he was dead and when he died; but he is still alive, and his present residence is given in its proper place. Probably there are other errors which we have not been equally fortunate in detecting and correcting. The want of uniformity in the sketches of those who furnished information concerning themselves is to be attributed to the difference in the Circulars of 1843 and 1850. More particulars are now included than was originally intended. The list of publications must be very defective. Neither of the Circulars above-mentioned made inquiry concerning them, but we have done the best we could at "making brick without straw."

Our sources of information have been, over 420 manuscript letters and an indefinite amount of printed matter, from a mere newspaper allusion to a formal memoir of hundreds of pages. In collecting and combining materials from sources so scattered and often obscure, the Editor has doubtless made mistakes, especially as he has had no aid whatever in this department of his labor. In cases where those who have given us correct information are misrepresented through our carelessness, we most humbly beg pardon; in cases where we were unable to learn the residence of a person so as to solicit information, we express our sincere regret; in cases of misrepresentation of those to whom we have applied in vain for information, we can only say they must thank themselves. References to the sources of information for every statement have been scrupulously made and will be carefully preserved.

The following brief summary of the employments, offices, &c., of the

Alumni may be appropriately inserted in this place. The same individual is often included in more than one class.

408 Graduates of Middlebury College have been employed as Clergymen,—of whom 319 have been Congregationalists or Presbyterians; 34, Episcopalians; 29, Baptists; 6, Methodists; 3, Dutch Reformed; 2, Universalists; 1, Unitarian; 1, Unionist; 1, Millerite; 1, Campbellite; 1, Roman Catholic. The denomination of 16, we have not ascertained. 219 of the Alumni have been Lawyers; 72, Teachers, not including Professors, on that account, or those temporarily engaged in teaching while preparing for another profession; 52, Physicians; 41, Merchants; 33, Editors; 31, Farmers or Planters; 9 have been in Military Service; 26 died without entering a profession. 11 have been Judges of Probate; 24, Judges of the County Court; 7, Judges of higher State Courts; 1, Judge of the U. S. Supreme Court; 5, Speakers of a House of Representatives; 3, Presidents of a State Senate; 4, Governors of States; 12, Members of Congress; 2, United States Senators. 26 have been Foreign Missionaries; 43, Professors in Colleges or professional schools; 14, Presidents of Colleges; 8 have received the degree of LL. D.; 34, the degree of D. D. The profession of 96, most of whom are recent graduates, we have been unable to give.

THOMAS SCOTT PEARSON.

PEACHAM, VT., June 1, 1853.