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Very sincerely Yours
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INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT DRAPER.

By the resignation of Dr. Selim H. Peabody, the presidency of the University of Illinois became vacant September 1, 1891. Professor Thomas J. Burrill was chosen acting president. At the meeting of the board of trustees held March 13, 1894, the committee that had been appointed to recommend a suitable man to fill the vacancy was advised to send some of its members to confer with Andrew Sloan Draper, LL.D., at Cleveland, Ohio. At a special meeting of the board of trustees held at the Lexington Hotel in Chicago, April 15, 1894, this committee, of which Professor Burrill, Nelson W. Graham, and James E. Armstrong were the members, reported that it had visited Dr. Draper and recommended that he be elected president of the University. After consultation with Dr. Draper, who was present by invitation, the report of the committee was unanimously adopted, and the committee was instructed to notify him of his election. This duty was formally performed by the committee, accompanied by the other members of the board, at the Auditorium Hotel at 10 o'clock on the following morning.

By a letter addressed to Nelson W. Graham, chairman of the board of trustees, and dated May 10, 1894, Dr. Draper accepted the presidency of the University.

At the meeting of the board of trustees held September 25, 1894, November 15th was set as the day for the inauguration of President Draper, and a committee of arrangements was appointed consisting of Messrs. J. E. Armstrong and F. M. McKay of the board of trustees, together with

Dr. Burrill, Professor Ricker, Dr. Forbes, and Dr. Kinley, deans of the several faculties of the University.

It was decided to hold the exercises in Military Hall, beginning at 2 o'clock p. m.

By order of the committee of arrangements, at one o'clock p. m. all persons associated with the University and their invited friends, assembled at University Hall—the trustees in the president's rooms, invited guests in the library, the faculties of the University in the physical lecture room, the alumni in the zoölogical museum, and the students in the chapel.

Captain D. H. Brush, Seventeenth Infantry, U. S. A., Professor of Military Science and Tactics, was Chief Marshal, and the Military Battalion, led by the University Military Band, served as escort to the procession, which numbered some two thousand persons. The day was unusually mild for the season, and surpassingly bright. Military Hall was filled to overflowing.

The ceremonies were as follows:

PROGRAMME.

Music, "Abide With Me," (*Donnizetti*)—

UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA.

Prayer,

REV. C. N. WILDER, D. D.

Music, "Profumi Orientali," (*Bellenghi*)—

UNIVERSITY MANDOLIN AND GUITAR CLUB.

Addresses:

For the Students,

PETER JUNKERSFELD, PRESIDENT SENIOR CLASS.

For the Alumni,

HON. CHARLES G. NEELY, CLASS OF '80, PRESIDENT
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

For the Faculty,

PROFESSOR SAMUEL W. SHATTUCK.

Introduction of GOVERNOR ALTGELD as Presiding Officer by
HON. NELSON W. GRAHAM, PRESIDENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Address,

HON. JOHN P. ALTGELD, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF
ILLINOIS.

Music, "Liberty Bell," (*Sousa*)—

UNIVERSITY MILITARY BAND.

Delivery of Certificate of Election, Charter, Keys, etc., to the
President,

THOMAS J. BURRILL, LL.D., DEAN OF GENERAL FACULTY.

Inaugural Address,

PRESIDENT ANDREW SLOAN DRAPER, LL.D.

Music, "University Song,"—

UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB.

(Words by Carnahan, '92. Music by Steele, '96.)

Music, "Crusader," (*Sousa*)—

UNIVERSITY MILITARY BAND.

The exercises were opened by the University Orchestra,
which rendered "Abide With Me."

PRAYER, BY REV. C. N. WILDER, D. D.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for this day in our lives, and for the occasion which has brought us together. We devoutly recognize Thee as the author of our being, and as the giver of all the blessings which we enjoy. We thank Thee for the conditions of our life, and for the possibility of understanding these conditions and of so complying with them as to obtain the good which Thou hast designed for us. Especially to-day do we thank Thee for educational institutions and for educational opportunities; for the schools of all grades of our own commonwealth, and for the men and women constituting the corps of instructors in these schools. We thank Thee for our State University, for its establishment, its endowment, and its history. We recognize Thy goodness towards the people of the state in the

lives of the noble body of instructors who have been connected with it, and who to-day are devoted to its interests.

We earnestly ask Thy blessing upon all assembled, and upon all whose thoughts and whose hearts are with us at this hour. Command Thy blessing to rest upon Thy servant, the Governor of our state, giving him wisdom and grace for the duties of his high office; upon the board of trustees of the University; upon the faculty and students; upon all graduates of the University, and upon its patrons and friends, wherever they may be.

We ask, especially, that Thou wilt bless Thy servant who has been called to the presidency of the University, and who is to be inaugurated this day. We thank Thee for the success he has achieved in educational work in the past, and for the enthusiastic welcome that has been given him as he has come to this new position. We thank Thee for the large place he has already found in the confidence and affections of those with whom and for whom he is to labor. Graciously endue him with wisdom for the duties of the high office into which he is to be inducted this day, and may this University enjoy a career of great usefulness under his administration. May there go out from the University in the coming years a body of educated young men and women prepared for all the duties of American citizenship to which they may, in Thy providence, be called. Bless our beloved land through the lives of her educated sons and daughters.

We offer our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, thy dear Son, and our Lord. *Amen.*

Music by the University Mandolin and Guitar Club,
"Profumi Orientali,"