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NEW HAVEN, June 25.—Yale's formal commencement exercises, including the conferring of degrees upon graduates of the various departments of the university and the presentation of honorary degrees, were held this morning at Battell Chapel after the usual procession of officers and graduates in academic gowns and undergraduates and invited guests. The opening programme, consisting of organ orchestral music, prayer, and chant was followed by the conferring of degrees by President Hadley.

The following received honorary degrees:

Doctor of Laws.—Roswell Park, Director of the New York State Pathological Laboratory, one of the surgeons who attended President McKinley in his last illness; Henry Cabot Lodge, United States Senator from Massachusetts; Charles Rockwell Lanman, Professor of Sanskrit in Harvard University; Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University; Eliphalet Whittlesey, Secretary of the United States Board of Indian Commissioners.

Doctor of Letters.—Franklin Bowditch Dexter, editor of *The Stiles Journal*, and formerly Secretary of Yale University.

Doctor of Divinity.—The Rev. William R. Huntington, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, New York; the Rev. Samuel Hart, Vice Dean of Berkeley Divinity School.

Master of Arts.—William Blair Draves, Acting Principal of Phillips Academy, Andover; James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet; the Rev. Endicott Peabody, Head Master of Groton School; Henry Goslee Prout, editor of *The Railroad Gazette*; Robert Curtis Ogden, President of the Board of Trustees of Hampton Institute and Chairman of the newly appointed Southern Educational Board; Robert Louis Sanderson, Assistant Professor of French in Yale College.

All the candidates for honorary degrees, except Prof. Sanderson, upon whom the degree of A.M. was conferred privately, were presented by Prof. Bernadotte Perrin to the President and corporation. Among the guests of the university who had seats upon the platform during the exercises were Dr. Yung Wing of Hartford, Conn., a graduate of Yale and formerly Minister from China to the United States, and William Ellery Curtis of Chicago.

Of the members of the graduating classes, 282 received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, 126 were made Bachelors of Philosophy, the degree of Bachelor of Laws was conferred on 62, and of Bachelor of Divinity 19, while two candidates became Bachelors of Music and one a Bachelor of Fine Arts.

The Master of Arts degree was awarded to 58 candidates, Master of Laws 3, Master of Forestry 8, Doctor of Medicine 20, and Doctor of Philosophy 29.

The presentation of the degrees to Senator Lodge and James Whitcomb Riley was received with enthusiasm by the assembly.

Prize awards were announced as follows:

Cobden Club Medal for on Economics—James A. Valentine, Breckinridge, Mo.

James Gordon Bennet Prize—Harry B. Chamberlin, Unionville, Conn., with honorable mention of Henry E. Colton, Campbellsville, Ky.

Deforest Goold Medal—Eugene H. Lehman, Pueblo, Col.

John A. Porter University Prize—Edward A. Braniff, Kansas City, Mo., a student of forestry.