

but little success. Last Summer the Elms were nearly stripped of their leaves by these worms, in spite of all the precautions taken. And if the tarring of the trunks in the Fall shall prove a success as was predicted by the ARGUS last year we are glad the authorities have given it a trial.

The work on the Memorial Chapel has progressed so far, that the men are now engaged in frescoing the ceiling. One panel has been frescoed as a sample, and as far as we can learn, is approved. The color is a delicate shade of blue, with handsome corner pieces and a border of buff with blue stripe. The work is being done by William Borgelt of this city, and the workmanship is satisfactory to all. The stained-glass for the windows, is to be furnished by H. E. Sharp, of New York. The particular pattern has not as yet been selected. Several styles have been considered, and the trouble seems to be to choose among so many elegant devices.—All these things remind us that the Chapel will soon be finished.

Thanksgiving Day passed quietly with us. The Union Service of all the Churches, took place in the morning, at the M. E. Church, and the Sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Taylor, Pastor of the South Congregational Church. The various eating clubs enjoyed fine dinners. Some even had so extensive a bill of fare, that it was impossible to "eat it through." Several attempts were made, but without success. The boys sensibly concluded not to make "hogs" of themselves, by eating the last kind of dessert. Who would, for one piece of pie?

It seems proper, now that the sickness in college is over, that a statement be made, which shall tell in as few words as possible, just how extensive the disease has been, and what the condition of things is at present. The trouble began about the 1st of October. The cases were pronounced to be genuine Typhoid fever, and the patients suffered severely, were light-headed and needed constant care. A cause for the disease was searched after. The sinks and drains were carefully examined and everything was done, that could be done, to find an explanation of the disease in some local cause. These attempts were unsuccessful. One physician accounted for it, by the fact that the earth had been thrown up, of late, around our new

buildings. But this explanation was not satisfactory. Men were taken with the fever, who had rooms in the city. There were cases of the fever in the city; and the rooms in the Observatory Hall, and in the Old Chapel, were no safe-guard against it. The explanation therefore did not satisfy us, nor has there ever been a satisfactory one given, other than the general tendency this Fall to Typhoid fever, throughout the country. There continued to be fresh cases of the fever until about the middle of November, when the disease left us; either because it had run itself out, or because of the change in the weather. During this time, there were eighteen cases in all. Several other men were indisposed—had head-aches, &c., but were not considered as having the fever, nor did they think so themselves. Of these 18—4 were members of the Senior Class—6 were Juniors—2 Sophomores and 6 Freshmen. Two of the cases were fatal—Hoyt of the Freshman Class and Foote of the Sophomore class. Hoyt was the first one taken, and was then occupying rooms in a house on College St. Foote's case was one of the worst, and he occupied one of the rooms in the Observatory Building. These facts go to show that the disease prevailed irrespective of any one locality. Of the remaining 16 patients, 4 have recovered. The rest are sick now, but are all improving. The men who have been in the most dangerous condition, are at present reported to be doing well, and some of them will shortly be with us again. Since the middle of November there have been no more cases. The disease left us as suddenly as it came, and it safe now to predict that it will not return.

A statement like this, if it had been made, while we were anxious here, and our friends at home more anxious about us, would have been injurious. It would have had the effect to magnify the matter many times. But now that all the danger is past, it will be received, we trust, simply as a plain statement of facts, and will serve to contradict various rumors that have gone out in all directions, and which have made us out in a much worse condition than we really were.

The Hutchinson Family gave a concert here on the 19th. The Hall was not as well filled as we expected it would be. Their rendering of some pieces was excellent. They show an appreciation of the words of