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IT was no ordinary gathering which Wesleyan University had the privilege of entertaining on the 24th, 25th and 26th of January. Any convention of the educational institutions of New England is sure to bring together a body of young men whom it will be interesting to watch and profitable to mingle with, but not often, even at conventions of Christian men, will there be gathered in one place so much of earnestness, enthusiasm and consecrated ability as here during the Intercollegiate Conference of the New England Young Men's Christian Associations. From all parts of New England came men who were leaders in the religious and intellectual life of their respective colleges and

seminaries, animated with one common purpose, to get the most possible spiritual good from the meetings and take the greatest amount of practical suggestion back with them to aid in the home work. To entertain such a body of men is not a task, but a rare privilege which is to be eagerly sought for, even if viewed only from the low plane of selfish interest. It was no little thing for the college to be brought thus closely into touch with all the great institutions of learning in New England; it was no slight pleasure for the students of Wesleyan to mingle for three days with those who gathered here. But when we turn to the higher interests involved and consider the deep religious spirit that pervaded the Conference from the opening session to the closing hour; and when we remember the importance of the subjects discussed and the ability with which they were treated, the value of the privilege enjoyed becomes more clearly manifest. Our friends can rest assured that Wesleyan will not be backward in urging again a claim for this Conference when justice to the claims of sister colleges will permit it to be done.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of class secretaries in general to the work which is being done by the class secretary of '89. Similar care and thoughtfulness on the part of other class secretaries would result in making the ARGUS Alumni Department invaluable to every alumnus. We take this opportunity to thank many who have shown their interest in the ARGUS and in Wesleyan by sending alumni notes from time to time. We would gladly triple the space now given to this department, in order to make it a faithful record of the doings of our alumni, and we heartily appreciate the favors shown us in this direction.

We would call the especial attention of Wesleyan alumni to the request made in this issue for additions to our coin collections. With a hearty response to this request, the coin collection can be made a most valuable feature of our equipment. An earnest endeavor is to be made in this direction, and it is hoped that every alumnus will interest