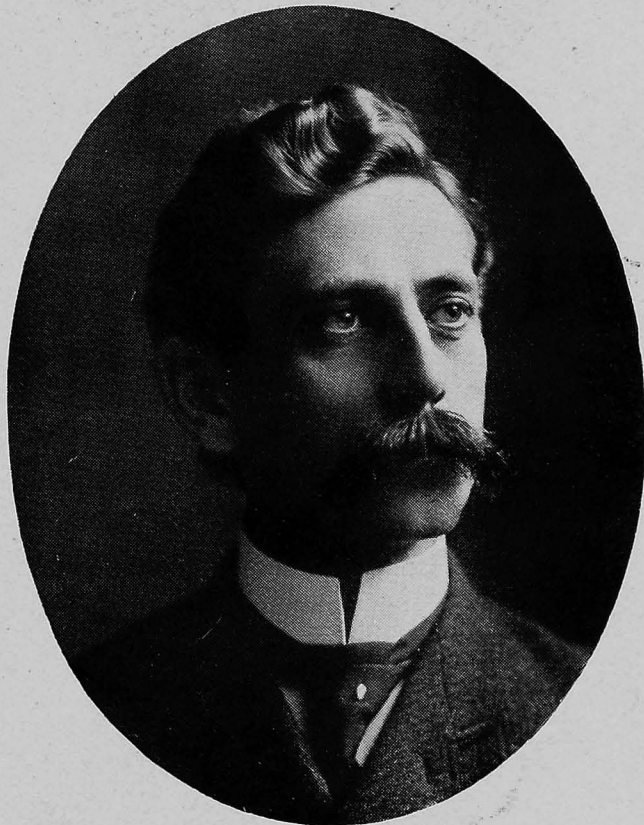


FRANCIS WAYLAND SHEPARDSON.

Among the sons of whom Denison may justly be proud, not only by reason of the honor and distinction he has won for himself, but also for his unswerving loyalty and devotion to his Alma Mater, is Dr. Francis Wayland Shepardson, Professor of Modern History at the University of Chicago. Dr. Shepardson graduated from Denison in the class of '82, before he was twenty, being a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, and the following year received his A. B. degree from Brown. For the following four years he taught in the Y. L. S., then till 1890 he was editor of the *Granville Times*, and owner of the Granville Book Store. Continuing graduate work at Yale, he received the degree of Ph. D. in '92, and for the ensuing year was docent of the University of Chicago. From that time his promotion has been rapid, due to personal merit alone. For several years the confidential secretary of the late President Harper, he is now Dean of the Senior Colleges, a position of responsibility and prominence in that great institution. Dr. Shepardson is a comparatively young man, and there seems vast possibilities of honor and usefulness yet before him.

HON. BENJAMIN F. McCANN.

Judge McCann graduated at Denison in 1886. He was a bashful country boy when he arrived here, but his industry, honesty and genial disposition soon won him many friends. While he was in school he was the best all-round athlete, and was prominent in every branch of student work. Granville citizens often recall him as one of the students whom everybody liked. After studying law he practiced a short time at Dresden, Ohio, near his boyhood home, but removed to Dayton, where he became police prosecutor in a short time, making an enviable record in that office. After a short interval in which he devoted himself strenuously to the practice of his profession, he was elected probate judge, serving two terms and declining the nomination for a third. Last year he was a prominent candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. He was president of the Probate Judges' Association of Ohio. While in school he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, in which he always maintained an active interest. His friends are legion in every walk of life, from the newsboy to the capitalist, and irrespective of party or creed.



GEORGE WILLIAM LASHER.

George William Lasher, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born in Duanesburg, N. Y. He graduated from Colgate University in 1857. Two years later he obtained his M. A. degree. In 1874 he received the degree of D. D. His first pastorate was at Norwalk, Conn. Later he became chaplain of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment. Afterwards he had a very successful pastorate at Trenton, N. J. For a number of years he was secretary of the Baptist Education Society of the State of New York. Since 1876 he has been editor of the *Journal and Messenger*, which has become one of the foremost church periodicals of the Baptist denomination. He is author of several important books. While not a graduate of Denison, nevertheless he has devoted much of his attention to the needs and welfare of this institution.

