

FOR BLIND COLUMBIA MAN.

Dean Keppel Would Like to Hear of an Opening for Him.

Among the members of the senior class in Columbia College is one who has been blind from birth. Because of this handicap his efforts at finding employment after graduation have been unproductive of results, and yesterday he wrote to Dean Frederick P. Keppell:

"Is there any opportunity for a blind man to show what he can do in a business office?" the blind man asked. "I have done a great deal of work in the department of English and have been very successful in that work. I have had a great deal of writing to do in connection with my course, all of which I have done on the typewriter. For the past fourteen years I have been using the machine, and can now write rapidly and accurately. In my case there would be no necessity of using a shorthand system. The employer would need only to outline to me the letter he wished to write, and with my training in English I would be able to word the letter myself."

Dean Keppel spoke favorably yesterday of the man's qualifications. "In spite of his handicap," declared the dean, "the writer of the letter has made an admirable record as a student and has given evidence not merely of ability to pass examinations, but of unusual intelligence and judgment. He comes of Scotch-Yankee stock, and I feel confident that if he could find the right opportunity he would prove his value to an employer."

Dean Keppel would like to hear from any one who could point out an opening for this man.

MORGAN WOULD AID FISK.

Offers \$25,000 to University if It Raises Balance of Fund Needed.

The Trustees in New York of Fisk University, a school for training negro teachers at Nashville, Tenn., have received a letter from J. Pierpont Morgan, notifying them that he will subscribe the last \$25,000 of the fund which the school must raise to meet the conditions of a gift of \$60,000 from the General Education Board.

Fisk University is seeking to raise a fund of \$500,000. The General Education Board agreed to give \$60,000 when \$440,000 has been raised. The New York Trustees of Fisk University stated yesterday that the time limit on the conditional gift of \$60,000 expires on Saturday of this week, and the university is at this time \$137,000 short of the amount it must raise. Many of the gifts are contingent upon raising the entire amount, and the university may lose most of the \$500,000 unless the \$137,000 is donated by Saturday.

The letter from J. Pierpont Morgan is as follows:

Dear Mr. Gates:

I have received your letter and in reply would state that I am prepared to subscribe the last \$25,000 to the fund which the Fisk University has to raise to secure the gift of \$60,000 from the General Education Board, it being understood that I shall not be called upon to pay the amount unless the total sum raised is sufficient to secure the above-mentioned gift. Yours very truly,

J. PIERPONT MORGAN.

The Rev. George A. Gates, to whom the letter is addressed, is President of Fisk University. The New York Trustees are Paul D. Cravath, Charles A. Hull, Charles J. Ryder, and Harvey L. Simmons.

BAHA POINTS TOWARD PEACE.

Religious Unity Will Bring World Amity, Says Persian Teacher.

Abdul Baha Abbas, head of the Bahai movement in Persia for the unification of all religions, who has been lecturing in this country the last month, explained his religious theories yesterday afternoon to an audience which filled the Metropolitan Temple in Seventh Avenue, near Fourteenth Street, to the doors.

Abdul Baha addressed the audience in Persian, and his remarks were rendered into English by an interpreter.

"Bahai means to love all the world and all humanity; to work for universal peace and universal brotherhood," he said.

Abdul Baha went on to explain that the unification of religions among all races would quickly bring about universal peace.

The Rev. Dr. J. Wesley Hill, former pastor of the Temple, who has returned to this city temporarily from the West, where he has been campaigning for President Taft, presided at the meeting. He introduced the Rev. Frederick Lynch of the New York Peace Conference, who spoke on the subject of universal peace. Rabbi Joseph Silverman, who followed Abdul Baha, said that he believed that the distinguished Persian was right in stating that the world was coming nearer and nearer to universal peace and a common faith.