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Biographical / Historical

The son of a stockbroker, Clarence Day, Jr. was born in New York City, on November 18, 1874. He was educated at St. Paul’s School in Concord, New Hampshire, before attending Yale College. Upon graduating in 1896, Day followed his father into the stock market, but quickly came to dislike it and joined the navy. After being stricken with arthritis, Day had to leave the navy. Bound to crutches and a wheelchair, he began to write poems and books with some success. It was not until the last year of his life, however, that one of his books, Life with Father, became widely successful, winning awards and reaching the top of nonfiction best-seller lists. Day died of pneumonia on December 28, 1935, in New York City.

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Day, Wilhelmine Octavia Johnson
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Corporate Bodies
Yale College (1887- ). Class of 1896
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