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Further information on application to the President.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

We cautiously make the remark that the ORIENT has with this issue entered upon another year of intellectual existence. The first decennial of the ORIENT has come and gone and we usher in the eleventh volume. We propose to make no extended salutatory; no settled number of promises. We don't promise to improve the ORIENT. We don't promise even to maintain its present standard; but we humbly step into the arena, figura-

tively roll up our shirt sleeves, and go to work. We are sorry for you, but you will be obliged to wait to learn the future of the ORIENT. We can't tell you. We only promise you our best endeavors, and hope, as our lowest aim, to transmit the ORIENT to our successors alive and well, as healthy upon its next birthday as it is to-day, and as true an exponent of Bowdoin's interests as it was when we received it. To this end we labor. If we can make the ORIENT brighter, we shall be happy. If we can make it more influential and a better index of our college, we shall be happy. But, failing in this, we can still lay the flattering unction to our souls that we have done the best we could, and more we could not do. To this end we earnestly request your aid and co-operation; if not these, then your passive good-will and above all, your criticism.

So then, with hands joined to the work, with desires and ambitions in unison, the present board of editors salute you. And, as they come before the foot-lights with their lowest bow, they beg your tenderest care and cheeriest good-mornings towards the first-born of Vol. XI.

The world of college publication is new to us and presents, apparently, a very pleasant, busy world of earnest workers. The only evident commotion is between the *Acta* and the *Record*, but as we are rather late in the day and fresh in the business, we refrain from drawing the evident moral.

In the beginning we wish to be understood. We don't wish to make the ORIENT the organ of seven, and only seven students.

You will agree to the reasonableness of this desire. The ORIENT is the property of students, instructors, alumni, for the expression of anything worthy of expression, and contributions, articles, verses, indicative of literary ability, will serve to give the ORIENT a "brace" and make it a better representative of Bowdoin.

The present number of the ORIENT is sent to many of our friends and alumni. We only represent that the ORIENT is the organ of the college, and that to all who have an interest in their *Alma Mater*, the success of the ORIENT should be a matter of some importance. We would like the assistance of the alumni in many ways, pecuniarily and in the shape of contributions and articles of interest; and to this end we hopefully invite your attention.

It cannot be denied that Bowdoin labors under a disadvantage. The climate of Maine is not tropical, with its snow storms in the middle of April, and with a river ice-bound and unfit for rowing until the robins come in May, almost. The snow storm of April 14th had a chilling effect upon sports. It completely stopped all base-ball practice, and insinuated to the ambitious oarsmen that it was just as well to sit down and wait until the New England climate should be propitious. As late as April 20th, the base-ball ground is entirely unfit for practice, and the water in the Androscoggin is of a temperature considerably less than boiling.

We notice a remark in a recent issue of the *Harvard Crimson*, to the effect that their grounds were in a perfect condition for sports of all kinds. The proposed base-ball game with the Harvards suggested the above remarks, and in view of this game we only call attention to the bad condition of our own grounds, as an evident cause for any poor playing which the nine may indulge in.

What will the students say to a new departure? The ORIENT, in its new dignity, would like to take an office, and with the aid of the students sees no reason why it cannot. The proposed scheme is not for a private office where the board of editors shall sit in secret conclave, but for a pleasant room, if possible, where every one can have access to the ORIENT file, and where the latest exchanges can be seen and read. There is, and always has been, a complete isolation on the part of the students from outside news, we mean college news, and a plan removing this objectionable feature would, we think, be very beneficial. The activity in sports renders college papers more interesting every day. There is a charming room for this purpose opposite the reading-room, if it could be obtained, which, with the pecuniary aid of the students, could be fitted up and rendered extremely serviceable.

One of the events of the week was the beginning of work on Memorial Hall. The approach of a strong force of three stone masons, the appearance of a dinner pail in the vicinity of the building, and the extreme activity of Mr. Booker, could not fail to impress every one that the gigantic work had at length begun. We have muchly wondered what those four sticks of wood meant that lay for some time between Memorial Hall and the Cleaveland Building, and this wonder was strengthened greatly by the fact that two weeks ago we saw a seedy-looking individual gazing thoughtfully at the massive proportions of this unfinished building. But we are settled to-day in our mind that the work has already begun. We trust that these three stone masons won't be violent with the Hall, because we all have very tender emotions towards the building.

The edict of the Faculty has gone forth to the effect that we are not to be permitted

to observe Memorial Day, May 30, as a holiday. The reason for thus depriving us of a customary holiday was not stated, only inasmuch as the Faculty objects to the manner in which the day is usually spent by the students. Even this reason, supposing that the day be passed in a most objectionable manner by a few of the students and in idleness by the rest, would not serve to mark it from the majority of holidays and would not, we think, warrant its denial.

We are sorry. The students must, with honest sorrow, see their holidays float away into the unceasing whirlpool of hard work. Washington's Birthday and Memorial Day are already gone. Fast Day and Day of Prayer are rapidly losing their grip, and if the term were in session at that time, we should to a moral certainty lose our Fourth of July. We must be martyrs to the march of progress, however. As college youths we must outgrow such plebian joys as remembering our soldier dead, and attend strictly to business, while the great world in general marches reverently to the cemetery and lays its tributes of love upon the graves of the country's defenders.

Mr. Johnson's endeavors to start a collection of statuary here in Bowdoin have met with success. The statuary arrived during vacation. We were not present when it did arrive, but our representative was on the scene, and can tell a thrilling tale of the unpacking. The collection, as far as it goes, is excellent, and we consider that the thanks of the college and town are due to Mr. Johnson for his exertions in thus endeavoring to plant here the germ of an art collection. We were permitted to view the collection. It consists of plaster casts, admirably executed, of the following masterpieces, "Apollo Belvedere," "Diana, the Huntress," "Venus of Milo," Head of Jupiter, Otricoli, Head of Juno. The ORIENT is not sufficiently *æsthetique* to

attempt to criticise. Our art editor is unwell and we couldn't find another, but we are assured that the casts are excellent and well worthy the earnest study of every one. In fact every student in the college should feel it the highest privilege to be thus enabled to see likenesses of the greatest masterpieces. They are in the north wing of the chapel, and will be ready for inspection in a short time.

We are happy to be able to state that the Faculty has kindly permitted the Junior class the two days, Thursday and Friday, June 2d and 3d, for the ivy holidays. The last issue of the ORIENT briefly noted the proposed change in the usual plan of the spring holidays, but failed, we think, to state the exact reasons why this change was proposed, and how it will be of advantage. An examination of the last Ivy Number of the ORIENT will bring to light the chief reason why this change was undertaken. We can't afford to treat our friends to an overwhelming defeat on every recurring Ivy Day, and this the ORIENT of that date expressly states. It also states that the cause of this defeat is the preceding sports, and especially the Ivy Hop, which unfit the base-ball men for good playing. For this reason they must either not dance or not play base-ball. It is impossible to have the hop Saturday evening, and for this reason chiefly the days were changed. The plan has other advantages. The sports are arranged better and the Ivy Exercises and Ivy Hop, coming in afternoon and evening of the same day, renders the presence of ladies and their entertainment better assured than formerly, when the most interesting features were sandwiched in between a Field Day at Topsham and a Boat Race on the river.

By this means the friends of the class from out the state and from "over east," can come and go without being compelled to remain over the Sabbath in Brunswick. The

conclusion that the attendance will be less on these two days than on Friday and Saturday, is open to debate. The ability of business men to leave business better on Saturday than on Thursday, is open to the gravest doubt, and at best a matter of conjecture. We think that the ORIENT is quite unable to assert that there will be fewer people here on Thursday and Friday than on Friday and Saturday, from any such reason. We have every faith in this new plan, and trust that it will have its desired result in the first Ivy Day victory at Base-Ball within the memory of the present undergraduates.

Verily college youths are progressing in public esteem. From\* grim sarcasm and unremitting attempts at extermination the *Philadelphia American* has emerged into a better condition. During the past few weeks, circulars have been distributed to the various colleges, inviting college graduates and undergraduates to compete for prizes, as tests of practical journalism. The prizes offered are twenty-one in number, aggregating \$1,500, and are given for the best editorials, essays, and poems. We have been requested to call the attention of the college to this plan. If any of you have any ability in editorial composition, essay writing, or in versification you are requested to lay the fruits of your inspiration before the thirsting world. You are offered every encouragement. If you don't draw a prize you are at least made famous, since, if your article soars to the standard of the *American*, you are certain of having it published and paid for. The judges of this competition are men eminently fitted for the position. With respect to this scheme for reaching the minds and capacities of college undergraduates, we have not much to say. The plan, to our mind, is worthy of encouragement. In a strictly monetary point of view it is somewhat reprehensible perhaps, but no one can for a moment doubt that its

ultimate object is excellent and that its effect upon college men will be in the highest degree praiseworthy.

Any plan which can offer an inducement to college men to shake off slothfulness, go to work, and endeavor to test the capacity of their intellect is, we think, praiseworthy. There is too much drifting in college, as there is in life. The student, who doesn't display a natural aptitude for literature and composition, makes no endeavors in that direction, and this state is, for the most part, produced by college methods. According to the *Record*, a student of Yale recently remarked that he could, with a sufficiency of pens, ink, and paper, learn to write as well in the Desert of Sahara as in Yale College. He ascribed it to the fact that they write and receive their essays again without a word of comment or criticism. Such is not the state in Bowdoin to-day, but we are informed that it has been in the past.

In a general sense, custom has made the remark of the Yale man applicable to Bowdoin. Even the customary letters are not half written. As the Professor of Rhetoric says, you scribble a sheet and sign "Yours in haste, etc." Letter writing is *not* an inferior kind of composition. Emerson says: "The experience of writing letters is the *modus* of inspiration. When we have ceased to have any fullness of thought, that once made a diary a joy as well as a necessity, and have come to believe that an image or a happy turn of expression is no longer at our command, in writing a letter to a friend we may find that we rise to thought and to a cordial power of expression that causes no effort." Yet in this respect, as in all others, many of us are lacking, and it is to obviate this difficulty, encourage composition, and discover the ability of college men, that the *American* makes this offer. To such as have no desire to excel in writing, the proposal of the *American* can have no interest. To such



as do, this proposal must remind them of their desires and offer a practical inducement for exertion. In this exertion the work itself will be its own reward.

Bear in mind, we don't *advise*, don't encourage, only remark that every one had better uncork his ink bottle, hunt up his box of pens, write something and then keep it. We merely take this text, as offered by the *American*, for a little sermon on laziness in writing. The ORIENT will encourage composition. It hasn't sufficient lucre to offer \$1,500 prizes, but it has one transcendent, glittering bait to hold forth, viz.: A position on the ORIENT'S Editorial Board.

#### A NEW MEANING TO "GIVE AND TAKE."

"One kiss," I pleaded; "just a tiny one,  
For a good-night."

A deep carnation swiftly sped  
Across the face so pale before,  
And modest drooped the graceful head,  
As the sweet lips, so blushing red,  
Trembled denial that the eyes foreswore.

"Ah, yes"—still pleading—"see, we are alone;  
'Tis Love's good-night."

The crested head reared proudly now,  
And flashed the eye like diamond light;  
And the white face was purest snow,  
And the red lips they pouted so,  
As the fair lady swept beyond my sight.

An owl—a philosophic owl he proved to be,  
That saw the whole occurrence from his tree—  
Blinked once, blinked twice, then flapped a lazy  
wing,  
And cracked his bill, and gave one claw a fling;  
"Young silly"—here he paused to stretch his head  
And plume his owlship's gravity, ere he said—  
"To plead for what is yours—if you but make it!  
*To give she could not, but would let you take it!*"

—Acta.

#### SPENSER.

Rare old Geoffrey Chaucer was dead and buried and turned to dust, if we can place any reliance in the workings of Nature, ere England found his successor; and through all

this lapse of time our poor, half-formed English tongue was stumbling along between life and death. It cannot be denied, never was otherwise stated, I think, that the time between Chaucer and Spenser, produced poets. They were abundant,—mere names of men who lived and died and in the meantime rhymed and rhymed.

We cannot imagine it otherwise. There was and is too much music in Nature for men to see it in silence. The rhyme of the seasons was then as now, and they could not help but try to tell in verse the touches with which Dame Nature paints the rainbow, and the rhythmic music which she ever puts into her great unceasing anthem of Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter.

And so they lived and died, and sung and were forgotten, until the master hand came—the true King of Poesy—and took up the faltering song.

Into this indifferent world of thought and diction, then, was Spenser born, but during his early life, until he himself wrote, a great and powerful change was breaking in upon English customs and English letters. The language was becoming less colloquial through the influence of continental poets, and at the same time freer, more elastic, and more melodious. The growing sense of the country demanded a literature, while it knew absolutely nothing concerning one. The increase of intellect demanded poetry, while the dying chivalry decried it as weak and effeminate. To a task like this came Edmund Spenser, bringing with him his flowing verse, his graceful poetical images, and introducing his countrymen into the society of their chosen heroes of fact, fancy, and fame; in short into the very dreamland of the age. We need not delay upon his earlier poems—upon the "Shepherd's Calendar," and the rest; they all are characteristic. The monument of Spenser is the "Faery Queen," and it was this production that he sent forth upon such a community.

We can easily conceive of the influence of such a writing as the "Faery Queen," perhaps not critically, but to a certain degree imagine the influence of this writing in an age when new worlds of fabulous wealth and adventures were being discovered, and when Prince Arthurs might ride for aught they knew on every wintry eve all over the rough, dreary face of Old England.

As a poem, "Faery Queen" will not bear description. A labor of love from the writer,—"the land of Faery was to him an unreal world of picture and illusion, 'the world's sweet inn from pain and wearisome turmoil'"—it is to a certain extent incapable of being criticised. We recognize the purity of fancy and feel at the same time the unreal, vague sense of not understanding. The characters are not permanent. One looks to see each character fade into the cloud of darkness and reappear only when forgotten. The story of the poem is apparent enough, such as it is. As a mere narrative, according to the best critics, "Faery Queen" has every fault. Plot, it has none, and as an allegory is far inferior to "Pilgrim's Progress." It is not in this way that Spenser excels. They, his readers, were *children* of literature—readers of the first lispings of poetry's great volume, lookers on in the ruder pictures of allegory. The poetry the masses were incapable of understanding, but the allegory they *must* understand. To pander to such tastes as these, and to create finally newer and better ones, Edmund Spenser was sent. As to whether he fulfilled his mission, read "Faery Queen." See the true thought, spiritual beauty, and true poesy that sparkles in every verse and line; witness the allegory and story, the myths and satyrs, princes and princesses, and notice above all that Spenser's verse is true, earnest poetry, and you will see that his mission will never be fulfilled. He sings for every people immortally. He sings for poets, as Browning does, and show how his genius was irrepressi-

ble. Read him as you may, if you read him thoughtfully, you will think perchance of how Spenser found the English verse and how he left it, and in listening to his music will rise refreshed.

Whoever likes ease and quiet, whoever likes to pass beyond himself and live in fanciful lands, whoever admires the music of morning, the rhyme and rhythm of poetry, and the touches of beauty in Nature, may read "Faery Queen" and find them; and he will no longer doubt that Spenser accomplished his mission. Though the tale of a rude age, it lives to-day and can give any one, who will, an easy entrance into his "own realms in land of Faery."

#### BOWDOIN STORIES.

Recent articles in the ORIENT on Bowdoin scenes and incidents have been read by me with peculiar interest, awakening recollections of my college days and memories of similar escapades in which I, it must be confessed on more than one occasion, bore a prominent part. One or two in particular I recall with especial interest, both of which seem to me to illustrate peculiar phases of student nature. The first of these, at the time of its occurrence, excited no little attention throughout the State, and was severely condemned as an outrage, etc. The circumstances, which I distinctly recollect, were as follows:

We at that time were subjected to annual examinations, and it is needless to say that the occasion of these examinations were dreaded by the majority of the students. During my Sophomore year, on the examining committee was one old fellow in particular, who, by the peculiar delight he apparently took in propounding questions, obviously intended to disconcert the student, had earned our heartiest dislike, and accordingly it was resolved, if possible, to be repaid for the many painful hours caused by his instrumen-

tality. The day appointed for the annual examination was the time selected. The examinations were held in Massachusetts Hall, and through the ceiling directly above the chair usually occupied by the object of our regard, a hole was bored, over which was suspended a jug of molasses highly scented. A string suitably attached was in easy reach of the one elected to work the apparatus. With the examination day came the committee, and with them our friend gorgeously arrayed in long linen coat, stock, high collar, and frilled shirt of those days. Many friends were in, for the examinations were made much of. Scarcely had the old gentleman commenced his work, and the peculiar twinkle of his eye proclaimed the bent of his mind, when the string was loosened. A solid column of molasses descended upon the victim's head, completely saturating his clothes and knocking from his hand the snuff-box which generally was present in his inquiries. Astonishment, fear, disgust, and rage spread over the old gentleman's face, and amid yells of laughter, excited by the ludicrous spectacle,—laughter, joined in by all present, and need I say with the heartiest good-will by those who had experienced the working of his mind,—the old gentleman made his exit. We were never again troubled at examinations by his presence. The perpetrators of the joke, I have reason to know, escaped punishment.

Among the students was one in particular, who, by his recklessness and utter disregard for college laws and regulations, had more than once incurred the displeasure of the Faculty, and whose many promises of reformation apparently produced no good result. Repeated warnings and admonitions not having the desired effect, at length *pater familias* was summoned from home, and came in hot haste. Our Sophomore, now in the greatest trepidation, endeavored to find a way from his difficulties. An interview with the col-

lege authorities meant a recapitulation of offenses hitherto carefully concealed from paternal knowledge, and as a consequence more than a dim prospect of removal from college. In this emergency his natural wit came to his assistance. Leading his father to the room of a Senior, bearded and dignified, the latter was introduced as Professor So-and-so. It is needless to say that the father of our hero received from the pseudo Professor a satisfactory account of his son's standing and actions, and went off by the earliest train to which he was eagerly led by the rejoicing student. What made the affair more amusing was the fact that the Senior was in ignorance of the deception, and had answered the inquiries of the anxious parent in a manner to quiet his solicitude, and with a desire to serve a fellow-student. The originator of the trick received by these means a new lease of freedom, but did not, I think, graduate receiving permission from the Faculty to withdraw at the end of his Sophomore year.

Such are two of the many incidents which I recall, disclosing perhaps, to those not behind the scenes, traits not to be admired. Yet they serve to illustrate peculiar shades of college happiness. To a graduate the mentioning of familiar incidents or scenes serves to bring up a host of memories. A word leads to dreams of love for the institution, and imagination pictures pleasant scenes and hours spent under the walls of old Bowdoin and within hearing of the murmurs of her softly sighing pines.

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### THE SOLDIER.

Arrayed in martial uniform,  
With bayonet and gun,  
He stood before the looking-glass  
To view the patriot son.

The admiration filled his soul  
He would that *she* could see;  
And even sighed in under tone,  
"How proud would Edith be!"

He thought of heroes old in song,—  
 Atreides, Odysseus,  
 Of Menelaus, Ajax too,  
 And bold Idomeneus.

He longed to see the enemy,  
 To show what he would do;  
 A perfect Hercules,—his weight,  
 One hundred twenty-two.

At eve with martial step he goes  
 To make a party call,  
 Armed to the teeth with bowie-knife,  
 Revolver, toothpicks, all.

Returning later, quite alone,  
 He hears footsteps behind,  
 All thought of pistols, bowie-knives,  
 And heroes flee his mind.

He runs for life, each hair erect,  
 His brow is drenched with sweat;  
 The country's safe with such as he,  
 'Twas Bowdoin's brave cadet.

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## COMMUNICATIONS.

### MAGAZINES, ETC.

*Editors of Orient:*

There is a matter which, although perhaps a rather small point for censure, yet is the source of no little inconvenience, and the cause of considerable complaint among the students: this is the removal of the magazines from the reading-room. This change was made, doubtless, with a laudable end in view, and with the belief that such a change would be an improvement upon the former system. Inasmuch as it protects the magazines from the rather harsh usage to which they were formerly subjected, and obviates the difficulty sometimes experienced in causing them to remain in the place of deposit, the library arrangement is, undoubtedly, an improvement. Further than this a claim for superior merits would meet with but little success.

Aside from the matter of protecting the property, the question of personal convenience should have been taken into account. As at present conducted, an easy access at all

times to these books is impossible. The library, being opened only at stated hours, and then, too, at times when the student is generally obliged to be engaged in his studies, practically debars one from the free consultation, such as is desirable.

The arrangements, or rather lack of arrangements, made for the accommodations of the reader are certainly noticeable. Accommodations, at least as good as those in the old quarters, should be made and some attempt to consult the convenience of those compelled to resort to a place in every respect unsuited for such purposes. How nicely our peculiar system of lighting this room conduces to an easy and enjoyable hour of pleasant reading, none need be reminded. Good light is not of course necessary to a retention of good eyesight, but, nevertheless, some of us are unreasonable enough to mildly insist upon such a provision.

These are some of the eminent advantages of the present arrangement, such as most strongly present themselves, and most urgently appeal to our senses. Is a change advisable? V.

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### WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

*Editors of Orient:*

Where all of Bowdoin's poets have fled to? Five dollars will be paid to any one discovering one, and producing him.

What has become of '82's foot-ball eleven, and why Capt. P—— don't drag them out on the delta and train them?

Why the inhabitants of the south end of Winthrop don't draw up a statement asserting that the best place to practice violin-playing is *not* anywhere in the town of Brunswick, but that the Topsham shore of Cow Island would serve admirably?

What is to prevent the Freshmen Greek from producing *Œdipus Tyrannus*, or at least something funny?

What is to prevent Bowdoin from getting up a religious canvass? Trained manipulators can be obtained from Harvard.

Why the Faculty don't invent an acceptable excuse, good for any emergency and capable of elasticity, and present such excuse to each undergraduate?

Who it was that basely stated that the last meeting of '81 was to agitate the question of clean shaves?

What kind of spiritual food the base-ball men propose to take with them, *i. e.*, for reading matter?

Why some one don't produce an entertainment for Thursday evening, June 2d, when everything will be tranquil; and why the Bowdoin Band, with the addition of *one* and only one tune to its Repertoire, could not give a band concert on that evening?

The above questions are of interest to the undersigned. Prizes for correct answers to the whole list will be given by them, as received.

W. AND T., MAINE HALL.

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## COLLEGE ITEMS.

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The Elder has a new hat.

"Spring suits." Does it?

The assistant organist has returned.

The next project is to paint the boat-house.

Waterman, '83, has left college for this term.

Carpenter is the *Sunday* man of the Juniors.

During vacation ten boys remained in college.

'84 is evidently preparing to meet '85 on the Delta.

Base-ball men were out on the Delta very promptly.

The Seniors say they are having an easy time now. Sho!

High drill official: "The *hind* rank will now fall in."

"E. U." intends to go to Oxford when he leaves Bowdoin.

The plan of all working together in the Gym. is well liked.

Mason is to teach the spring term of Bowdoinham High School.

Chapel music on Easter morning was not relished by empty stomachs.

Mason of '81 has been in town, and will join '82 next September.

Colby has had a cane rush. Most time for our Freshmen to brace.

First crew on the river, '83. First crew *in* the river—two of '81's men.

An apparatus which will be of interest to all can be seen at No. 6 W. H.

History recitations to President Chamberlain were to begin Tuesday, April 26.

For one whole week the glass in the college buildings has remained unbroken.

"Bring out your canes," says an Ex. But we are not Abel to sport Eve'n Adam one.

The new class in Chemistry find the laboratory has been arranged very commodiously.

The Seniors began Art and Science of War on Friday last, reciting to Lieut. Crawford.

Fisher has been elected captain of '81 crew. He has behind him Manson, Gray, and Larrabee.

Cutler, First Lieutenant Company A, has resigned, and his place is to be filled by competitive drill.

Inquisitive Soph (who is just beginning the drill)—"What does he mean by 'Company hurch'?"

Work begun on Memorial Hall, Wednesday, April 13. Four sticks of timber hauled on the ground.

Sophomore (reading Tacitus)—"Both of his uncles were procreators of the Cæsars." Applause.

Our nine this year is to be Snow, Wilson, Staples, Rogers, Haggerty, Wright, Knapp, Smith, and Gardner.

Some fine plaster casts of ancient statuary have been received from Boston, and are placed in the north wing.

Some one thought the "Jollities" to be the *doll*-darndest show they'd ever been to. This is *Twilling* on facts.

The class in Italian is growing small. They probably prefer the "*Dolce far niente*" to the labor of translating it.

If any one doubts that this college is to become co-educational, let them examine the photographs at No. 25 W. H.

The Juniors are divided in their elective studies as follows: In Physics five, Botany eight, and Science of Language eleven.

A youthful chemist, after completing his "researches," blew out his gas, and then wondered what made these chemicals smell so.

The *drill* is now in a prosperous condition. Only one man, so far, has become tired of it. He needs, he says, more time for his Greek.

President Chamberlain has signified his approval of the proposed ORIENT office. If the students do the same the project will be carried out.

The nine will play with Harvard next Monday, Brown on Tuesday, and Williams on Wednesday, unless some unforeseen change is made this week.

A certain Bath girl was overheard to say Fast Day that she "could always tell a college student by the peculiar odor of his breath." Cardamon seeds, probably.

Mr. Johnson has been showing some engravings representing the development of the German alphabet, and illustrating various inscriptions on stones, bells, etc.

The Senior and Junior exhibition at the end of the last term passed off satisfactorily, and is the only occasion of the kind for some time past from which no one of the speakers was absent or excused.

Many of the Seniors are extremely dissatisfied with the result of their Saturday's meeting. The principal dissatisfaction is among non-society men, who, as they themselves say, have been surely and decidedly "sat on."

At a meeting of the Athletic Association the following officers were elected: President, McCarthy; Vice President, Gannett; Secretary and Treasurer, Packard; '83; Master of Ceremonies, Bates; Executive Committee, Reed, '82, Austin and Waterman, '84.

The Seniors held a class meeting April 23. The result of the meeting was the presentation of a new ticket for class officers. The principal change was the removal of Donovan from his appointment to deliver the parting address, and substitution of Rogers.

Two students bold, who ply the oar  
Upon the Senior crew,  
Set out the other afternoon  
To paddle their own canoe.

But judging the results thereof,  
They lacked the Indian's skill,  
For while avoiding Scylla's crags  
Charybdis caused a spill.

A cold day 'twas indeed for them,  
But fortune lent her hand,  
And from the frigid Heo  
Assistance brought to land.

The Sophomores have in their boat, Chase, Gannett, Winter, and Holden, with Goodwin, coxswain. The Freshmen have had their outriggers lengthened

during vacation, and have sent for new oars. This crew will probably be Brown, Sweetser, Adams, and Child, or Torrey, with Waterman coxswain.

At a meeting of the students of the Maine Medical School the following resolutions were passed:

*Resolved*, Whereas, in Divine Providence, our beloved friend and companion in study, Walter Scott Sheldon, has been removed from our number by death, we, his fellow-students, as we bow in reverent submission and in common sorrow, extend to the hereafter family our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this sad hour of affliction.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the above be printed in the *Narragansett Times*, the *Brunswick Telegraph*, and the BOWDOIN ORIENT.

D. A. ROBINSON,  
E. A. MCCOLLISTER,  
G. W. WAY,

*Committee of the School.*

## PERSONAL.

[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

'23.—W. G. Crosby, LL.D., died in Belfast, March 21st.

'24.—William Mason, M.D., died in Charlestown, Mass., March 18.

'30.—Darius Adams, Esq., died in Rockton, Ill., Nov. 5th, 1880.

'34.—Rev. Dr. Cyrus Hamlin, who left the Bangor Theological School to assume the presidency of Middlebury College, Vt., is to be inaugurated July 7th, as permanent president of that institution.

'36.—Died March 15th, I. H. Woodman of New Gloucester.

'52.—Walter Wells is lying at the point of death, of consumption, at his home in Portland. In 1867 he acted as Secretary of the Board of Commissioners appointed by the Legislature for exploring the water power of the State. He was afterwards appointed Superintendent to have charge of the matter collected by the Board, and wrote a comprehensive report entitled "The Water Power of Maine."

'61.—Edward Stanward, Esq., of the *Boston Advertiser*, is secretary of the class of '61, who celebrate the twentieth anniversary of their graduation by a reunion and dinner during Commencement week of 1881. The dinner is to be served at the Falmouth Hotel in Portland, Wednesday evening, July 13th.

'73.—Dr. Horace B. Hill of Lewiston has been elected by the trustees of the State Insane Hospital, to the position of second assistant superintendent. He is a graduate of the Long Island Medical College Hospital.

75.—C. L. Clarke has the superintendence of introducing Edison's electric light, in New York City.

75.—Frank R. Upton is superintendent of Edison's works at Menlo Park, N. J.

76.—Rev. George Pratt of Bangor has accepted a call from Grace Church Society in Bath. He will locate there in June.

75-77.—R. G. Stanwood, who will be remembered as disappearing so mysteriously last summer, while here at home in Brunswick on a vacation, has recently been heard from through a friend of his. He is in Brunswick, Georgia, and is slowly recovering from a brain fever. The particulars of his case have not been learned, except that he has not been conscious of his whereabouts since his disappearance, until within a few days before his friends heard from him. His wife has gone to his assistance.

77.—C. W. Morrill has lately been admitted to the Sagadahoc Bar as an attorney at law. He has been studying in the office of Hon. M. P. Frank of Portland. He will practice in that city. He has been filling the position of teacher of Mathematics in the Bath High School.

78.—Felch is express messenger on the Fitchburg branch of the Old Colony R. R.

80.—Bartlett and Edwards are in Louisville, Ky., writing Kentucky county histories. Address, 168 Fifth Street.

82.—Lane is in business in Boston.

82.—W. W. Curtis was married Saturday, the 16th. He has gone to Machias as principal of the High School. The class extend congratulations, and wish him success.

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## COLLEGE WORLD.

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Washington University, St. Louis, has 1367 students.

Columbia has 1494 students, the largest number in any American college.

It costs Harvard \$200,000 a year to maintain its library.

Oxford caps have been adopted at Columbia. The Seniors are to be distinguished by a button of purple, Juniors by dark blue, Sophomores by cardinal, and Freshmen by dark green.

President Eliot, of Harvard College, says that there are now but 4,512 students in the ten colleges of the New England Association, against 4,544 in 1875-6. The only college showing an increase is Williams.

Five hundred thousand dollars has been given by Amasa Stone for the erection of a new college in Cleveland. It is to be called Adelbert College.

Amherst has concluded its students are men, as they average twenty-two years of age. They are responsible to the authorities for their work, but not for personal conduct, unless interrupting their duties.

The exhibitions of the Greek play *Edipus Tyrannus*, by the Harvard students, are to take place on the 17th, 18th, and 19th of May. As there was no limitation to the number of tickets sold to a single person, they were all bought by speculation as soon as the sale began.

The Sophomores at Syracuse University abducted a Freshman, Tipple by name, carried him in a carriage five miles from town, shaved his head, tied him to a tree and left him to get out of his fix as best he could. He caused the arrest of his tormentors, and created a great excitement, but the jury, after less than an hour's deliberation, acquitted the prisoners.

The students at Harvard are greatly interested in the filling of the position of Preacher to the University which Dr. Peabody is soon to vacate. It is the universal desire that Rev. Phillips Brooks accept the position. He has been invited by the President and Fellows of the College, and the largest meeting of students ever held in the college has joined in urging his acceptance. We are sorry to have to add that Dr. Brooks has declined the position.

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## CLIPPINGS.

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"Her lips were like the leaves," he said,

"By autumn's crimson tinted;"

"Some people autumn leaves preserve

By pressing them," she hinted.—*Ex.*

"Do you speak German?" "No; but I have a brother Herman who speaks German, and I'm lernin'."—*Lampoon.*

Prof. in Moral Philosophy—"Mr. K., what end has a mother in view when she punishes her child?" Mr. K. blushes and sits down.—*Vidette.*

Student—"Professor, what's the best thing to do if you get concentrated nitric acid in your eye?" Prof. (laconically)—"Buy a glass one."

Prof. (to a student who writes, not for the masses, but for the educated few)—"You should write so that the most ignorant of your audience can understand all you say." Student (puzzled)—"What part of my production is not clear to you, sir?"—*Berkelleyan.*

Professor—"Why are you not taking notes, sir?" Scholus—"I cannot; the sun shines directly upon my paper." Professor—"True, true. Write on the other side."—*Free Press*.

Tutor (dictating Greek prose composition)—"Tell me, slave, where is thy horse?" Startled Sophomore—"It is under my chair, sir; I wasn't using it!"—*Acta Columbiana*.

First Member (feeling a twinge of conscience)—"I say, Tom, what a lot of time a man does waste during the term, playing poker." Second Ditto (not catching the point)—Yes, especially while shuffling."—*Spectator*.

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## EDITORS' TABLE.

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As we look over the pile of exchanges which, in a short time after assuming our editorial duties, litters our table (we do not keep them on a table, but dare not interfere with the traditions of our predecessors), we are surprised at the number of them. And their variety is as remarkable; there are dailies, with their telegraphic news and theatrical announcements, weeklies and bi-weeklies, telling in various ways the story of college life, and monthly magazines of different and sometimes of indifferent value.

There are said to be a hundred and fifty college papers in the United States, and these by exchanging with each other are united together into a great whole, a republic of journalism in which each occupies a position according to its own value. But do not think that all is peace and quiet within this circle; it is too distinctively American for that. There is much healthy emulation and too much fierce rivalry. The competition between different colleges is reflected and magnified by their respective college papers.

It is with considerable timidity that we enter the arena to criticise any of our "esteemed contemporaries." We fear the yoke of the clown and the whip of the ring-master. But if we turn out as the luckless countryman who tried to ride the trick mule we shall not be sorry at our attempt, and if we do anything to merit applause we doubt not we shall get what is our due.

Among our exchanges we are particularly interested in some of the literary magazines. Foremost among them is the *Yale Lit. Magazine*; the variety and value of its contents fully merit the permanent form in which they are placed. The first article is "The Vision of the Dance of Death," said dance being the ordinary college life of Yale students. The piece

is vivid and dramatic, but far too severe. "Brush and Pen," besides being carefully written, is in thought far beyond ordinary college essays on such subjects. The most pleasing thing is No. VII. of the "Papers of the Teetotum Club," a rambling disquisition by a number of students on various subjects. The following are the closing sentences of it: "A somewhat sleepy pause followed this quotation, for it was growing late, when Perkins said with a yawn, 'Well, if variety is the spice of life, I'm sure we must breathe an aromatic atmosphere to-night. Just think of it, from utilitarianism to co-education, from manners to matrimony, from man's true end in life to woman's—namely, flirtation. It is high time we put a stop to such desultory conversation by going to bed.' And as the rest folded their tents like the Arabs and departed—for it was Perkins' room—the recorder has to relate that as Perkins stood alone gazing into the ashes, he was heard to say slowly to himself, with a dreamy inflection, 'Rum critters is wimmen—Dickens.'" "

The *Nassau Lit. Magazine* is also very interesting, but the literary articles are rather dry, and it contains no poetry. The editorial and local departments are the best.

The *Hamilton Lit.*, although perhaps not quite so ambitious as the magazines previously mentioned, is fully as worthy of notice. The article on "The Heroism of Paul" is, from its name, rather repelling, but contains more original thought than could be expected. "The Gentleman as Portrayed in English Literature" would be interesting if one had not read "Taine's English Literature." Indeed, after a long description which must be recognized as second-hand by every reader of Taine, he virtually proves to whom he is indebted for his idea by making a short quotation from him as if to atone for his extensive pilferings. The paragraphs on the Alumni are the most complete we have seen in any college journal.

The *Bates Student* is a very neat little magazine, and we should praise it more if it were not so much under the control of the Bates Faculty. The following verses clipped from the last number are very graceful:

O happy days and golden,  
O bright days of the olden  
Time when life was young and my heart was light and free;  
Has your brightness gone forever,  
Will your beauty return never,  
Will the happy days of childhood nevermore come back to me?

O ye warblers of the grove,  
Trilling notes of joy and love,  
Why does not my heart respond to your gay songs as of yore?  
O ye brooks that babbling run  
Onward, laughing in the sun,  
Why does all your sweet, wild music thrill my being nevermore?

—J. Leon W.



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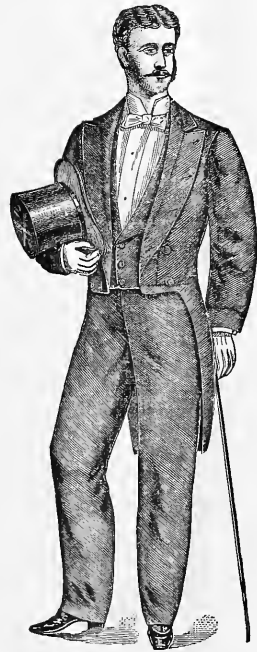
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Once again we greet you, but not with a salutatory. We feel that we are here with the intention of remaining, and upon our own resources, and things accordingly assume a business-like aspect. We, therefore, are not in a salutatory mood and have only a few words to say, and those, mostly, to extend our earnest thanks to every one, friends and students, for the kind expressions of good will towards the present board. They are very encouraging and make us feel better,

but we wish to mildly suggest to the students that there are, perhaps, other and better ways to aid a college paper than by patting its editors on the back and cordially admonishing them to keep their lamps trimmed and burning. We never realized it so acutely as we do now, and never imagined that subscriptions and contributions were half so necessary. We don't intend, at this early hour, to complain of hard work, because it isn't work to write the ORIENT. It is only fun, and takes only two or three minutes; but we are modest and would really like to make the ORIENT more of a college paper. So, then, if you haven't anything better for us, why, then pat us; but if you have anything better, in the shape of contributions, subscriptions, or other evidences of interest, send them right along, and we shall feel that our desires and designs are being in a great measure gratified and accomplished.

High over minor questions, rising important and dignified, comes the question of the introduction of mortar-boards. The college world is intensely agitated with this momentous question. Various colleges have the disease, and among those first afflicted are Cornell, Columbia, and Amherst. The *Trinity Tablet* gives its columns to an extremely interesting discussion of the mortar-board, in which the *Tablet* discovers that Trinity is the Oxford of America,—a hitherto undiscovered fact, which Trinity deserves great credit for settling. At Cornell the caps are distinctively colored, according to class. Take the movement all in all, it deserves especial comment, and we shall take the opportunity of studiously observing the onward progress of

a mighty reform and the pleasure of again referring to its advancement, in our columns.

One of the noticeable changes during the past week, is the return of magazines to their old places in the reading-room. This is agreeable to the majority of the students. It is difficult to conceive the deeply-hidden reason which actuated the Faculty to the change in the first place, but inasmuch as they were changed and are now returned, their re-appearance is doubly pleasant. They give a natural, home-like appearance to the reading-room, which has for some time really looked vacation-like, with the desk bare and unattractive. This early compliance of the Faculty with the desires of the students, as expressed in the communication in our last issue, is especially gratifying and suggestive.

It has been suggested to us at least a dozen times, during the past fortnight, that the boat-house should be painted. It would seem that if the money is in any way to be obtained, it should be applied as soon as possible toward making this needed improvement. The boat-house needs it. Its preservation and better appearance would countenance a considerable sacrifice in favor of this improvement, and the sooner the better. The coming boat race will, of course, bring the boat-house into prominence, and this is the thought that has probably caused so many remarks.

For our part, we would like to see at least *three* coats of paint applied and the building appropriately labelled, but this is merely a fancy. It is evident to every one that the boat-house needs paint.

Work in the gymnasium is becoming exciting. It is even amusing sometimes, as now and then a brick or window-piece drops to the floor. It would be a good place for the cadets to drill in, since they can experience the dan-

gers of battle without the consequent confusion, but it don't quite suit as a gymnasium. We fear that some one will soon be hurt, which would be a serious matter; but even if not, the continual presence of floating lime dust, the extremely and extraordinary low temperature of the atmosphere, are productive of more harm than good. We submit that it would be better to allow the students to spend their time for exercise out of doors in the pure air, where every one now spends his leisure hours, than to keep them swinging clubs and pulling weights in such an unventilated old refrigerator as the gymnasium now is.

The officers of the Athletic Association have finally been elected, and if this is what every one has been waiting for there is now no reason for further delay. The charge of laziness and lack of spirit in sport has often been made with regard to members of this college, in respect to our annual Field Day. Take the institution at its best it is somewhat ailing, has not been with us long, and unless active measures are taken will not much longer remain, and it behooves every one who is able to do anything, or who even thinks he can do anything, to present himself before the directors of the affair and enter his name as a participant. It cannot be denied that the results of the athletic exercises on Field Day go farther and speak more emphatically concerning our college sports, than almost any other of our institutions. And the better record that is made the better, as is evident, is the report concerning the college sports. It has been represented to us that the officers make an attempt to introduce more novel features. It has been remarked that Field Day to the spectators on even the front seats of the grand stand, is just a trifle tiresome; that although our visitors and spectators have been true to their trust in the past, and have remained upon the



field until every athlete has departed, yet we cannot always expect the same courtesy. And a certain college undergraduate remarked that, given his choice between Field Day and a recitation in Christian Ethics, he should prefer the latter for excitement. We think him somewhat biased, but should be very pleased to see something new introduced; and if not that, then true work on the part of every student to make Field Day something to be proud of. To this end every man who weighs a hundred, or can lift fifty pounds, should carefully select his prize and go in and win. And if this be done we shall have a more interesting Field Day, more records worthy of young, healthy, active men, and much better enjoyment of our Ivy Holidays. These remarks are not unnecessary, we think. If any one is of the opinion that they are, we invite him to examine and compare the record of last year with the record of other New England colleges, and draw the obvious conclusion.

The *Nassau Lit.* is bestowing its pity upon our college, and remarks that the military drill is creating excitement at Bowdoin. This is news. We have for some time felt excited but never before appreciated the cause, and we immediately, on the first occasion, started out to hunt for the excitement. We invite the *Lit.* to come right along and find it for us. The aspect of our military was calm and peaceful. Not a shade of care or sorrow ruffled the countenances of officers or men, as with martial air and gleaming bayonets they meandered over the campus. We confess that for an instant we did feel excited, but it wore off as we beheld an officer urge on a weak Freshman with the point of his sword, and saw a crowd of students calmly, unexcitedly, viewing the parade. So we are compelled to believe that the *Lit.* was mistaken. We had much rather not believe it. We rather have the excitement, but we didn't

find it, and so feel in duty bound to inform the *Lit.* that, although the drill is well and healthy, although fairly patronized, and probably productive of much good, yet it isn't creating the slightest excitement, not even its share. And we are also compelled to add that Bowdoin is not "one of those unfortunate colleges whose students are compelled to march around with muskets."

The world has always liked old songs, and the world likes no class of old songs better than it likes the rhyme and music of the old college melodies. There is a certain sentiment to college songs that you find elsewhere with difficulty. There is the feeling that the love and loyalty and unity of countless men,—some alive, some dead, and some immortal, have so many times been sung in this self-same way, that the very words have become pregnant with melody. There is the feeling of unity, of brotherhood, and of loyalty, in song; and every one must feel, as he hears a body of college men carol out their college song, that the truest love and strongest faith are being thus expressed. Everywhere, all over the wide world, college men are believers and participants in this custom. The English students, beneath the ivied walls of their own institutions, sing out in their sturdy, English voices, their own time-honored songs, full of love and of devotion; and out on the waters of the Seine the songs of the University of Paris float at eventide and die, mingling with the music of its waters. It is thus everywhere. The German student trolls his drinking song; the Spanish student sings his tales of love; and up over the cliffs and craggy nooks of Scotland the sound of the sturdy student song is heard. Yale sings, Harvard sings, Columbia sings, and we sing not at all. Has Bowdoin no songs? Has none of our bards or poets left the slightest remnant behind, dedicated to the college? Do our gray-haired graduates, as

they collect the remnants of the class, sing no songs which reunite them in the feelings of former days? If there is such a thing as a song distinctive of Bowdoin, we believe that we express the wish of many in saying that it would be well if we could hear it. There are many songs, we believe, in which all could unite, and on pleasant evenings the sound of "Fair Bowdoin" should lead back the college to its former days. Such a practice has often been urged unsuccessfully, and perhaps always will be, but it can do no harm to show wherein Bowdoin falls behind her sister colleges in the expression of loyalty to *Alma Mater*.

The story of the trip of the base-ball nine will be seen in another column. As affecting the college and the condition of sports, the trip is worthy of consideration. The fact that for the first time, almost, Bowdoin has gone out from her own domains and endeavored to play the national game, is enough to mark the trip as successful, if nothing else would; but the general result is good even beyond expectation, and will most assuredly work only good to Bowdoin and her institutions. There are many things to be considered apart from two overwhelming defeats, chief and primary of which is the fact that we have thus shown ourselves alive as a college, and second of which is the fact that Bowdoin beat Williams.

We believe that we express the general opinion of the college when we say that the nine deserves praise for starting; that the students deserve praise for sending them; and that the director deserves praise for bringing them safely home. The nine will undoubtedly experience the effects of the trip in a steadier method of play, in a better bearing up under unfavorable conditions of the game, and in a more confident game in general. If this proves true the desired result of the trip will be assured. We sincerely hope

that this may be the case, and that this trip may not be the last that Bowdoin is destined to make. Taking it all in all the results of the excursion are very gratifying, and the nine deserves credit for the record that they have made.

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### ANNA.

Along the path beneath the pines  
I wandered in an evening fair,  
And near the way I saw a pair  
Of lovely creatures making signs

To me that I should follow them.  
Quick as thought that wings its flight  
From finite to the infinite,  
I turned to trace their steps; and when

I gazed upon their wondrous form,  
Their sprightly tread, their lovely grace,  
And marked the sadness of the face  
Of one, who turned to beck me on,

I thought them spirits freed from clay;  
I questioned, then, my mortal view;  
I thought that they would lead me to  
The mystic shores and fade away.

But no; beneath the lofty shade,  
To where the tombstones grimly shine  
Within the shadows of the pine,  
To where our sacred dead are laid,

They led me. Then the moonlight fell  
In checkered shimmers o'er the mounds  
Of dust that once had been the bounds  
Within which animations dwell;

And then the moon withdrew its light,  
The shadows, sprinkled here and there,  
Grew darker in the heavy air  
And seemed a covering unto night.

The sad-eyed maid was now alone,—  
The other form had disappeared,—  
And, as she closer to me neared,  
I saw a lighter shadow dawn.

Beside a granite slab she knelt,  
And touched her cheek as if to sleep.  
Her eyes looked tears—she could not weep  
A sorrow that was not unfelt.

"Oh! beauteous maid, by sorrow kissed,  
What trouble heaves thy breast?" I cried,  
"Why are thou not deified  
As she who faded into mist?"

"A solemn rite remains unsaid,  
And, ere I cross the Stygian brink,  
The sacred earth must ope and drink  
The dust from whence my soul has fled."

"Kind Junior, but a grain of earth  
Is all my spirit craves from thee;  
I am your *Anna*; give to me  
The power to gain a higher birth."

W.

### THOREAU.

The world faded away from Thoreau on a beautiful spring morning in May, 1862, nearly twenty years ago, and yet the world of American literature discusses his merits to-day even more keenly perhaps than when he muttered his last broken sentences, turned his face to the wall, and closed his blue eyes forever. It has ever been a feature of Thoreau as of Poe, that his biographers are either earnest, zealous friends, or bitter, contemptuous enemies. Perhaps it is so with all marked men, assuredly so with Thoreau, and as we search the list of his contemporaries and biographers we find only words of rhapsody on one hand, and on the other marks of deep and utter disdain.

Thoreau was a man of a character too eccentric and decided to allow of passive criticism. His idiosyncrasies have marked out a line and you must either go across to Thoreau, or remain, if you know him, with yourself an enemy. A consideration of his life, a glimpse at the method of his living and writing will reveal the character of the man superficially, but the true character is what able men and women have been discussing for twenty years, and have not yet exhausted. His life is an existence merely,—a thoughtful existence, however. There is in it, in a worldly sense, no excitement, no romance, no love. As Emerson says: "He was bred to

no profession; he never was married; he never went to church; he refused to pay a tax to the State; he ate no flesh, drank no wine, never knew the use of tobacco, and, though a naturalist, used neither trap nor gun." It is a character like this, eccentric to this degree and yet truly poetical, sometimes in prose, sometimes in rhyme, that every one has so considered. A character which, notwithstanding its eccentricity, yet had that within itself which could produce within the confines of a little hut on Walden Pond, and put forth upon the world a style of writing which has never been duplicated. An Emersonian style transferred to the woods. A style which though confined for subjects to the squirrel and the chipmunk and the heifer, to the changes of the seasons, to the rippling and laughing of the brook, and in short to the very life and breath of Nature, is yet full of thought and romance. It is such a character that the world has quite constantly been considering, and which it is quite as much considering to-day.

It was on July 12, 1817 that Henry David Thoreau was born. The scene of his birth was Concord, Mass., and it was here in one of the easternmost rooms of an old New England dwelling that the poet naturalist first saw the light of day. His boyhood was boyhood in general, and the first break in a peaceful life was his entrance into Harvard in 1833. His college life was a life of earnest work, and characterized by the dawning, or better the strengthening of that love of nature which finally absorbed his very existence. Graduating from college, he took the most important trip of his life to the White Mountains and came home to Concord. It was in 1845 that he removed to the shores of Walden Pond. In his book, entitled "Walden," he tells the story of the construction of a building at a cost of less than *thirty* dollars, and of a first year's existence therein, at an expense of about *sixty* dollars,—and here all

alone, with none of the luxuries or conveniences of modern life, in this hut, on the shores of the pond, with no curtain to the window, and no lock to the door, that Thoreau, the poet and naturalist, spent some of the most fruitful years of his life. Here he lived and wrote, and this is his life story. Do not imagine him a disappointed, disenchanting man. He was as fresh a boy when he died, even, as when in boyhood he drove the cows to pasture, or when he left the walls of Harvard. Far from being a disappointed man,—he was a man of love, of thought, of fire, and of energy, a tutored Indian, a learned, gentle savage.

Thoreau's writings are peculiar, and show first of all how acute an observer he was. He loved and saw everything of nature from the tiniest bug that crawls to the "great soaring eagle" which he so often describes. He loved nature in her very storms. "We are rained on and snowed on with gems. What a world we live in, where, in the jeweler's shops, there is nothing handsomer than a snow-flake or dew-drop." His descriptive powers are of the highest order, and his sentences are as clearly cut as gems.

Read him and you will breathe the very air of the woods, will smell the fern's sweet odor, and will almost tread the mossy carpet of the forest. His writings show that he knew every shred of Indian forest lore. He knew every bird by note, and knew the age of every one of his neighbors, the oaks and maples. He tells of spring and autumn until you see the very traits of nature. He discourses on berries and tells that never a *huckleberry* came to him who plucked it not, but that what he ate was mere provender. He names the flowers and says that it is the "Three o'clock of the year when the Water-Marigold appears." He loved thus, and described thus, everything except the great moving world. He looked upon the world at large and through his books as only a nature on a larger scale,

and the world's emotions and loves were to him no more than the birth, pairing, and flight of the robins whose nests were at his side.

His life and writings show, finally, his character to be a strange compound of selfishness and tenderness, with the best of both. Judging his life from the world's standpoint, it is to be condemned perhaps. You will argue, and argue rightly, that no man has a right to withdraw himself from the world he owes his powers and abilities. He was, as Lowell says, a "Diogenes in his tub," "and committed in his life the sin of artificial civilization,"—but apart from this his life was blameless. He harmed no living being, not even a bird, and has left us whatever this philosophy of life may have been,—a legacy of delightful books which have furnished enjoyment and food for many. The moral of this life is evident. Inasmuch as Thoreau was a recluse he erred, but this aside, his life, which was what his Creator made it, was spent in loving the best in nature, and worshiping the highest in God. His best recommendation was his true Christianity, which worshiped God in the whispering groves, and all who read his books will believe with me that Thoreau's life does not deserve entire condemnation. It was in 1860 that he took cold while counting the rings upon a tree, and the cold developed into consumption. It was on a beautiful spring morning, May 6, 1862, that Thoreau lay dying. His last words were "Moose" and "Indians," and then the "shadow deepened" and the world closed in upon him and shut him out forever.

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#### THE TRIP OF THE BASE-BALL NINE.

The Bowdoins arrived in Boston Monday morning after a wearisome journey of about six hours, and although the game in the afternoon was not called till four o'clock, few made up for the sleep that was lost on the

rail. Arriving at Cambridge, some little time was given the nine for practice, and some good work done, although a little nervousness was visible.

The game opened with the Harvards at the bat, and as they were retired in one, two, three order, Bowdoin stock rose a trifle. The Bowdoins were blanked in the first two innings but scored five runs in the third and fifth innings, on safe hits by Smith, Wright, and Haggerty, assisted by the errors of their opponents. The Harvards began their run getting in the second innings on safe hits, making three scores in the third, on errors making six, and nine more during the rest of the game.

For the fielding, Snow's work behind the bat was excellent, while Haggerty carried off the honors in center field by capturing a very difficult fly after a hard run. The Bowdoins' errors were unfortunately costly, while, from the newness of the situation, they were at the first of the game a little nervous. The umpiring throughout was good.

The next morning the start was made for Williamstown, and the place reached at one o'clock. The grounds were not the best, having a little incline from the field to the home plate, and the outfielders were obliged to stand on the side of a hill near by.

Our men, however, played a beautiful game from first to last, the only questionable fielding being in the second innings, when the Williams scored one run on errors. After that the fielding was perfect, the Williams' strikers, for the most part, going out in one, two, three order. The catching of Knapp, the first-base play of Staples, and the in-field work of Wright as pitcher, are worthy of special mention. The game was played in the remarkable time of one hour and twenty minutes,—in fact the stop at Williamstown was so brief that no time was given to viewing the grounds and buildings.

Returning to Boston on the same evening, at eleven on Wednesday our men left for Providence. Unfortunately the men were obliged to walk from the hotel to the grounds, and as it was no little distance and up a steep hill at that, they were somewhat fatigued when the end was reached. The Browns have as fine grounds as were seen on the trip. As the diamond was turf our men labored under that disadvantage. The reasons for the results may be summed up in the facts that our men had traveled over three hundred miles the day before, and ever since leaving Brunswick had not been able to obtain their full amount of rest and sleep. Thus they went into the field somewhat worn out. They were unable to bat Greene at all, finding him the most difficult man to hit they had ever seen. The Browns played a good fielding game, and showed the results of good coaching and practice.

Throughout the entire trip our men were received by the different collegians with the greatest kindness and attention. In every place they were invited to remain longer and see the town and college, but under existing circumstances, it was found impossible to accept. The nine have the most pleasing remembrances of the trip, and sincerely hope that the several colleges whom they have met may return the visit at an early day. Appended are the scores:

BOWDOINS.										HARVARDS.												
Wilson, p.	4	0	0	0	2	5	0	Rogers, 2b.	4	0	0	1	2	2	Coolidge, 2b.	6	1	0	0	4	4	0
Gardner, 3b.	4	0	0	0	4	3	4	Staples, 1b.	4	0	0	0	9	0	Nichols, c. f.	6	1	1	1	0	0	0
Snow, c.	4	0	0	0	4	1	1	Baker, s. s.	6	3	3	3	1	0	Olmstead, l. f.	6	4	4	1	0	1	0
Wright, s. s.	4	1	1	1	3	2	0	Edwards, r. f.	6	2	2	0	0	0	Folsom, p.	5	4	4	7	0	6	4
Knapp, r. f.	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	Haggerty, c. f.	3	2	1	2	0	1	Hall, c.	5	1	1	10	0	1	1
Smith, l. f.	3	1	2	2	3	0	1	Snow, 2b.	5	0	0	0	0	1	Totals	51	18	18	22	27	11	9

Totals . . . 33 5 4 4 27 14 11

Umpire—T. Donovan, Boston. Earned runs—Harvards, 9; Bowdoins, 3. Strikes called—off Folsom, 12; off Wilson, 15. Balls called—on Folsom, 40; on Wilson, 62. Struck out—Hall, Staples (2), Snow, and Smith. Fies caught—Harvards, 7; Bowdoins, 10; Wild pitches—Folsom, 2. Passed balls—Hall, 1; Snow, 1. Fouls struck—Harvards, 36; Bowdoins, 23. Fouls caught—Harvards, 6; Bowdoins, 4. Left on bases—Harvards, 6; Bowdoins, 1. Double play—Baker and Cutts. Time of game—1 hour 45 minutes.

BOWDOINS.											WILLIAMS.										
AB	R	1B	TR	PO	A	E	AB	R	1B	TR	PO	A	E								
Wilson, I. f.	5	0	0	2	0	0	Davis, c.	5	0	1	1	8	1	2							
Rogers, s.	5	0	0	0	4	0	Yates, p.	5	0	1	1	4	6	0							
Gardner, 3b.	5	0	1	3	3	1	Perry, 3b.	4	0	1	1	2	3	2							
Staples, 1b.	5	0	1	1	2	0	Jobnston, r. f.	4	0	1	2	6	0	0							
Snow, r. f.	4	1	2	2	1	1	Fox, 1b.	4	0	1	2	6	0	0							
Wright, p.	4	2	2	2	1	6	Crowell, 2b.	4	1	0	0	3	0	1							
Knapp, c.	4	1	1	1	6	0	Hague, l. f.	4	0	0	0	3	0	0							
Haggerty, c. f.	4	0	0	2	0	0	Ponstrand, s. s.	4	0	0	0	1	1	2							
Smith, 2b.	4	0	0	0	3	4	Hubbard, c. f.	4	0	1	1	0	0	2							
Totals	40	4	7	27	17	6	Totals	38	1	7	8	27	11	9							

Two-base hit—Fox. Struck out—Bowdoins, 2; Williams, 1. Balls called—Wright, 32; Yates, 36. Strikes called—Wright, 18; Yates, 17. Double play—Gardner to Knapp. Passed balls, Knapp, 1; Davis, 3. Time of game, 1 hour 20 minutes. Umpire—W. B. Millick, Williams, '81.

BOWDOINS.											BROWNS.										
AB	R	1B	PO	A	E	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E										
Gardner, 3b.	4	0	0	0	2	2	Diltz, s. s.	6	3	3	1	2	0								
Rogers, s.	4	0	0	1	5	3	S. Greene, c.	6	1	1	12	3	4								
Staples, 1b.	4	0	0	9	0	1	Ladd, 3b.	6	1	0	3	2	2								
Snow, r. f.	2	0	0	2	1	2	Rose, l. f.	5	2	3	0	0	0								
Haggerty, c. f.	4	0	0	0	1	0	Taylor, c. f.	5	0	1	0	1	1								
Wright, p.	3	0	0	7	2	J. Greene, p.	6	0	2	0	13										
Knapp, c.	3	0	1	7	2	Barker, 2b.	5	1	1	1	3	3									
Stetson, 2b.	2	0	1	6	3	0	Gladding, 1b.	5	1	1	10	1	1								
Smith, l. f.	3	0	0	2	0	2	Doran, r. f.	3	1	0	0	1	1								
Totals	29	0	2	27	20	15	Totals	46	11	12	27	24	11								

Umpire, J. L. Martio, Pawtucket. Passed balls—S. Greene, 2; Knapp, 3. Bases on called balls—Browns, 2; Bowdoins, 3; struck out—Browns, 4; Bowdoins, 13. Strikes called—off Greene, 16; off Wright, 19. Balls called—on Greene, 89; Wright, 93. Time of game—2 hours.

more congenial company than that of Venus, and if, in your picture gallery, you bring together the classical creations of Titians and Rubens and paintings of the Bowdoin family and O. O. Howard, you are not consistent in refusing admittance to such a genius as Byron. Some one also, with no æsthetic taste, may object because this bust bears on its pedestal the inscription "Celluloid eye-glass," and customarily wears a pair of those really very useful articles. But the first difficulty may be obviated by smoothing over the lettering, and if the expression of Lord Byron's countenance is more natural with spectacles, I should be very happy to provide a pair. Hoping that you may appreciate the importance of your collection, and may be encouraged to enlarge it, I am

Very Truly Yours,

JEWELER.

## COMMUNICATION.

Editors of Orient:

Seeing, in the last number of the ORIENT, a description of the casts from the antique which the college has recently received, I immediately felt an interest in the endeavors to form a beautiful and valuable collection, and in order to encourage this movement I desire to make this offer: I have a very fine cast of a bust of Byron as he appeared in early life when possessing that Apollo-like beauty for which he was famed. The original marble bust was by an eminent English sculptor whose name I do not now recall. The cast in question has, doubtless, been noticed by all, in my shop window. But as its dangers from fire or accident are necessarily great, I desire to entrust it to the more safe keeping of a college so zealous for arts as Bowdoin has always shown itself.

Objectors may say it is improper to introduce a bust of Byron among statues of Jupiter and Venus. But Byron could hardly be in

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

Old Phi Chi is a rarity.

"Phaedos" have been in demand.

Have you seen the pipe Parnell smoked?

Gannett, '83, has joined the Psi Upsilon society.

Fires on the plains have been attracting notice.

'84 has been blowing horns. *O tempora! O mores!*

The Judge is revising the *Pelasgians* for the '68 prize.

A variety in aprons can be seen at the analytical laboratory.

The straw hat appeareth, but the time of the linen duster is not yet.

The Freshmen crew pull to the foot of the island in eight minutes.

Even the best crews can't do much when the shell sinks beneath them.

You are nowhere with the Brunswick girls unless you go May-flowering.

Several canes have been made from the oar broken at the scrub race last fall.

The river has been unusually high the past two weeks, and the swift current has given considerable trouble to ambitious oarsmen.

Skillings, the base-ballist, has left Bates and is willing to join Bowdoin, '82.

Auburn has declined representation among the officers of the Athletic Association.

The Juniors had their first examination in Psychology, May 3d, and still survive.

Those who visited the Art Loan Exhibition, May 5th, were well repaid for their pains.

The Seniors are having their pictures taken, and are well satisfied with Mr. Reed's work.

A Junior botanist has been investigating the peculiar properties of the *Symplocarpus foetidus*.

The Freshmen held a class meeting last Tuesday, to arrange a game of ball with '84 of Bates.

Lieut. L. B. Lane far surpassed all other competitors for the military position which he now holds.

Question by Professor in Psychology—"What is the critical stage?" Answer (*sub voce*)—"Forty-five marks."

A prominent feature of the entertainment, "Kit," was the distribution of temperance tracts to the college boys.

During Stetson's absence with the ball nine as tenth man, Pearson takes his place at the Topsham Family School.

The Sophomores have caught the spirit of improvement in boating matters, and are fitting their boat with new oars and rowlocks.

The first hand-organ man of the season was mistaken by some one at a distance for the college band celebrating the *victory* at Brown.

April 30th Professor Vose, with the Senior engineers, went to Orr's Island to complete surveys for the proposed bridge at that place.

On the non-appearance of books the stationer complains of being assailed with questions by a grumbling Faculty and a rejoicing class.

Tuesday of last week the musical association had a formidable rival in the crowd that turned out to celebrate the good news from Williamstown.

Nobody but a Freshman would start before breakfast and a rain storm on a May-flowering expedition, and bring the meager results thereof into chapel.

A large piece of quartz, very thickly studded with garnets, was recently found by a teamster at the Brunswick quarries and offered for sale about college.

To replace a freight car on the rails it takes the combined strength of one engine and a dozen train hands, supplemented by the calm superintendence of a crowd of students and half-a-dozen Medics.

Prof. Chapman has given the Sophomores an examination upon his lectures on Rhetoric and Logic, and last Wednesday began a similar course with the Juniors.

The following Seniors have been appointed to speak for the '68 prize: C. F. Baxter, W. I. Cole, C. H. Cutler, T. B. Lane, D. J. McGillicuddy, and J. O. P. Wheelwright.

The College Glee Club is receiving a special drill under Mr. Kotschmar, and it is their present intention to give a concert in a few weeks, at Music Hall, Lewiston, in connection with the Bates Glee Club.

The Sophomore engineers are making drawings of the chapel front. If one or two students making a spurt during the last alarm could be drawn in free hand, it would add to the naturalness of the work.

The chapel choir and several others interested in musical matters met at the house of President Chamberlain on Wednesday evening last, to select the books of music that are to be purchased with the concert money of last winter.

One of our professors discovers that his watch varies about five minutes per day when compared with the college bell. Many students have also had the same trouble with their watches. This fact may account for frequent tardinesses.

The only daughter of President Chamberlain was married April 27th at the Congregational Church, to Mr. H. G. Allen of Boston. Professor Packard performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Mr. Fisher. Personal friends in college received formal invitations, and a large number of students showed their respect for the President's family by their presence.

The order of exercises for Field Day has been posted in the gymnasium, and is as given below. Very little has been done, as yet, in the way of training, beyond a few helter skelter races and a little desultory leaping and jumping. Field Day will arrive in three weeks.

#### ORDER OF EXERCISES.

1. Mile Run.
2. Standing High Jump.
3. Running High Jump.
4. Putting Shot.
5. 100-Yards Dash.
6. Running Broad Jump.
7. Hop, Skip, and Jump.
8. Mile Walk.
9. 220-Yards Dash.
10. Throwing Base-Ball.
11. Standing Broad Jump.
12. Three Standing Broad Jumps.
13. Half-Mile Run.
14. Throwing Hammer.
15. Hurdle Race.
16. Three-Legged Race.
17. 100-Yards Dash Backwards.
18. Tug of War.

Our ball nine left Brunswick according to their arrangements, on the midnight train, *Monday morning*, May 2d. It was like the eve of Waterloo, and the boys departed with our highest hopes and best wishes. By Monday night, however, when the excitement had abated, the general feeling pervaded the anxious crowd at the telegraph office that our victory would be measured only by the narrowness of Harvard's success. After the news of Harvard's *picnic* did come, there was nothing to be done but to receive it philosophically, and pay our bets. Tuesday evening the first news many heard from Williams was the joyful tones of the chapel bell accompanied by a horn obligato. In the evening the college band roused itself from a six months' oblivion, and about a hundred students showed a proper spirit by marching to Old Phi Chi, etc., about the campus and through the streets. Wednesday morning a meeting of the students voted to give the nine a reception on their return. This measure was taken not merely on account of the slight victory, but because after the nine's first meeting with other college nines, the students wished to show their appreciation of what our boys tried to do, even if without success, and to make amends for their negligence in the past. The news of the defeat at Brown was not much worse than was expected, and excited no particular feelings of joy or sorrow. The boys were expected on the midnight train of the 5th, and in anticipation the college band held a rehearsal under the old oak. Late at night the Great Panjandrum himself turned out, and there was no occasion for complaint that the reception lacked enthusiasm. At the depot a welcome to the nine was indicated by toast(s) to order, and the extensive consumption of beer and soup slightly indicative of the presence of an oyster. On the successful conclusion of the affair the town's people were doubtless glad the wanderers had returned, hoping they would remain here in piece for all parties. We leave the account of the nine's own experience to one of the party.

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## PERSONAL.

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[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

45.—Rev. J. P. Skeele died in East Bloomfield, N. Y., April 23d, aged 59 years. He was born in Kennbunkport; graduated from Bangor Theological Seminary in 1850, and was pastor of the Congregational Church in Hallowell, from that date to 1857. For seven years from 1858 he was pastor at Wilbra-

ham, Mass.; District Secretary of the American Board C. A. M., residing at Hartford, Conn., from 1864 to 1870; was then pastor at Hatfield, Mass., for three years; and since has been acting pastor at East Bloomfield to the time of his death.

52.—Walter Wells, whom we spoke of in our last number as lying at the point of death, died at his home in Portland, on the 21st inst., aged 51 years. He has been suffering from consumption for several years.

75.—R. G. Stanwood was a member of this class instead of '77, as it appeared in the last issue.

75.—Dr. Dudley A. Sargent was married, in Brooklyn, N. Y., April 17th, to Miss Ella F. Ledyard. He occupies the position of Professor of Hygiene and at Harvard University.

76.—Mr. Frank Wright has been in town for a few days, on a visit. He is practicing law in Boston.

79.—H. A. Huston is in Lafayette, Ind., teaching in the High School.

'80.—Mr. Albert Holmes, of Bridgton, was married to Miss Lida W. Stone, in St. Paul's Episcopal church, in Brunswick, Wednesday, May 4th. Rev. H. P. Nichols officiated. Messrs. H. B. Hathaway, '81, J. M. Curtis, '82, and C. A. Gibson, '83, acted as ushers. The newly wedded couple left on the noon train for Washington.

'80.—R. C. Gilbert is teaching the Grammar School in Kennebunk.

'82.—Mr. A. H. Perry, formerly a member of this class, who has been spending the winter in Florida, has lately returned home to Brunswick.

'83.—J. F. Waterman is teaching in the Grammar School in Thomaston.

'84.—P. W. Charles is teaching the High School at Dennyville.

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## COLLEGE WORLD.

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### HARVARD:

The Harvard and Yale boat race will be rowed at New London. Harvard is to have better quarters than last year.

The *Advocate* recommends Dr. Storrs, of Brooklyn, as college pastor, and gives as a qualification that he belongs to a different denomination than Dr. Peabody.

Seventeen Yale editors have started out in pursuit of "Smintheus." New York beer-saloons anticipate a lively trade. It is rumored that President P-r-r has offered them their degrees outright, if they will not return to New Haven.—*Crimson*.



## BROWN:

The game with our nine was the first college game of the season for the Browns.

Brown also is complaining on account of the slow progress made in finishing her memorial hall.

## OBERLIN:

The Amherst Glee Club in its western trip visited Oberlin, and the *Review* speaks very highly of their musical talent and gentlemanly conduct.

The January number of the *Fonetic Teacher* contains an article called "Everi man in hiz own tung," written by Prof. Ballantine, which is admirable in every respect but the spelling.—*Review*.

## YALE:

A fund of fifty thousand dollars has been given for a laboratory.

The *Record* complains of the fielding and base running of their nine.

The Sophomores are to exhibit the "Media" of Emihuler. It will doubtless be a success.

It is said that Phillips Exeter and Phillips Andover are each to send thirteen men to '85, here.—*Record*.

The *Yale Lib.* proposes that the bi-weeklies, the *Courant* and *Record*, be consolidated, as four college journals are too many, but the *Record* does not care for fusion.

## MISCELLANY:

Dartmouth will not become a co-education college.

Princeton is to have a new \$80,000 chapel.—*Ex*.

The *Chronicle* says it has a thousand and twenty-nine subscribers.

The Trustees of Cornell have voted \$100,000 to be spent in improvements.—*Ex*.

Harvard, Yale, and Washington College (Pa.) are represented in the new Cabinet. Mr. Lincoln, Secretary of War, graduated from Harvard in 1864. Mr. Wayne McVeagh, Attorney General, graduated from Yale in the famous class of 1853. Secretary of State, Mr. Blaine, graduated from Washington College in 1847.—*Harvard Echo*.

Colby has had a cane rush. About a dozen Freshmen marched round town with canes. The Sophomores tackled them and after a fight were victorious. That night the Sophomores, not wishing to keep up the contest, posted bills giving the Freshmen permission to carry them as much as they wished, but they, still more angry, attempted to tear them down, and another battle ensued. The Sophomores were again successful and the Freshmen had to succumb to superior power.

## CLIPPINGS.

He was a rough, unkept scholar;  
While she was fastidious quite;  
He spoke all tongues—but his collar  
Was—well—hardly the whitest of white.

"I soon go to Mycenæ and Assos,"  
Said he, with exuberance of joy,  
Said she, on your way down to Assos,  
Pray, leave, sir, your linen at Troy." —*Crimson*.

Professor (looking at his watch)—"As we have a few minutes, I should like to have any one ask questions, if so disposed." Student—"What time is it, please?"—*Ex*.

At the close of the sermon the minister became impressive. Raising his voice, he said, "Judgment! judgment!" and a small boy in the vestibule shouted, "Out on first!"—*Ex*.

Scene: Astronomy class. Professor to Junior—"What time does Mars get full?" Junior—"Don't know, sir; never associate with such company." Decided applause.—*Ex*.

"My son," said a tutor of doubtful morality but severe aspect, putting his hand on the boy's shoulder, "I believe Satan has got a hold on you." "I believe so, too," replied the boy.

Prof. in Psychology—"Can we conceive anything as being out of time and still occupying space?" Musical Student (thoughtfully)—"Yes, sir; a poor singer in a chorus."

Soph—"I say, Tom, what's the difference between Harvard and Vassar?" Fresh—"Give it up." Soph—"Why, Harvard is the home of 'culchaw,' while Vassar is the home of 'gumchaw.'"—*Acta*.

Lecture on the rhinoceros: Prof.—"I must beg you to give me your undivided attention. It is absolutely impossible for you to form an idea of this hideous animal unless you keep your eyes fixed on me." —*Hobart Herald*.

Logic class room: Prof.—"All men have life; all vegetables have life; all men are vegetables? Where is the fallacy?" Mr. B.—"There is no fallacy." Prof.—"Oh! then you think all men are vegetables?" Mr. B.—"I do. The Bible says, 'All flesh is grass.'" Applause.

## EDITORS' TABLE.

The Yale bi-weeklies are the *Record* and the *Courant*. They both have editors from the three upper classes,—three from '82, two from '83, and one from '84, also a financial editor from '81. We have always believed this a good practice, and especially since we have tried editorial work ourselves. The giving of the subordinate positions to members of the lower classes could not but prove advantageous, as they would serve an apprenticeship which would

be of great value when their own class should take charge. Both papers are among the leading college journals. The editorials of the last *Record* are of interest. In its literary department is "Failed to Connect," a sketch purporting to have been found in the library, in which the writer, a college student, is haunted by the spirit of his room mate who had recently died of brain fever, brought on by too great excitement over spiritualism. The specter visits him at night and foretells his death at one o'clock the next day. It vanishes and he awakes as may be supposed in great agitation and paces the floor the rest of the night. His neighbors aroused, rush in and, witnessing his excitement, fear that the same disease which caused the death of his chum had attacked him. But gradually he became resigned and determined to await the fatal moment with an appearance of fortitude. The remainder shall be given in his own words:

"When I entered the dining-room of our club most of the fellows were already there. I looked at the clock which stood in the room, and saw that it lacked but three minutes of the fatal hour. As I sat down I felt my strength giving way, and consciousness actually began to desert me. My will was powerless. I had no ability to overcome the influences in which my senses were steeped. At this moment one of the fellows remarked to the waiter: 'I wish you would set that clock forward; it has been late now for two or three days.' I took out my watch and looked at it. The hands marked seven minutes after one. From that moment until the present day the spirits have never molested me."

"In the Year 721 B. C." is a gorgeous and ornate production, after the style of Elijah Kellogg. The plot also is deep and the climax in the great baseball game between the Roman and Capuan nines is thrilling. The following graphic description must, we think, have been taken from life:

"All was still and quiet, when we see riding from behind the capitol a solitary horseman. Both rider and beast were well worthy of close study. He was tall, bold-looking, with an eagle eye that would cause the stoutest subscription man to quail and be contented with a 1. His ponderous feet were well matched by the rest of his cadaver; legs full three feet in girth; a body suggestive of an intimate acquaintance with the city beer vaults, while his noble head of red hair was worthy of any son of Erin. His costume was both rich and picturesque. Feet encased in gymnasium slippers of deliciously doubtful hue, the outlines of his muscular legs dwindled gradually away beneath the edge of his canvas jacket, while a hammock hat, jauntily topping off his curls, gave him a decidedly rakish appearance."

The *Courant* seems to give more attention to baseball and athletics, but its literary department is much weaker. "The Fall of Julius Pringle" is wretched in plot but better in description. The *Courant* says

that most Yale men are dissatisfied with their nine this year and give a criticism of the playing of each member. The locals are very interesting.

The *Columbia Spectator* is the most æsthetic of college papers,—its thick tinted paper, blue and white cover, and beautiful typography show it. It is also illustrated by sketches on society fancies and follies. There were four illustrations in the last number and they were very good. If one wanted to be critical he could say that the sketches are a feeble imitation of Du Manieer, and the jokes which they illustrate are rather stale and common place. But they are very fair, considering. The *Spectator* gives little space to college affairs but is very literary. "Wilbur of Williams" is a serial novel of great interest, with natural pictures of college life. As the writer feels confined by the limited space available in a college paper, the work is to be issued in book form. It ought to have a large sale. There are three short poems, all by the same author, in this number, and all are good.

The *Acta Columbiana* is also very nicely gotten up. Its pages show a high order of talent. Its editorials are short and to the point. It originates some of the best of the witty sayings that go the rounds of the college papers. Its poetry is the daintiest and most charming of all college poetry. But there is one blot upon its escutcheon; on its editorial board is the unowned Sminthens, the enemy of Yale, and some articles which have recently emanated from his rather too flowing pen have stirred up ill-feeling in other colleges, and have sullied the *Acta's* fair pages. Yet we would not wholly condemn Sminthens. His writings show an originality that is equaled by few of his opponents, but he errs in thinking slang to be wit, and indecent personalities, originality. We have no doubt but that Sminthens could win an enviable reputation if he would devote himself to a more suitable topic than "A Visit to New Haven."

The *Illustrated Scientific News* for May is before us, looking handsomer, if possible, than the preceding issues. Among the various subjects illustrated in this issue is a superb specimen of cut glass ware; an exhaustive article on asphaltum and its use in streets and pavements; a new and ingenious hand-car, shown in operation; a new steel steamer for use in shallow rivers; the new Jobert telescope, and an interesting paper on physics without apparatus, also fully illustrated. Every number contains thirty-two pages full of engravings of novelties in science and the useful arts. To be had of all news dealers, or by mail of the publishers, Munn & Co., 37 Park Row, New York, at \$1.50 per annum; single copies 15 cents.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The next number of the ORIENT will be the Ivy Number. It may be delayed somewhat in order to better prepare the account of Ivy Day and the sports. There will be, however, no delay if it can be prevented. Extra numbers can be obtained of the business editor.

It is requested that we announce that the reunion of the class of 1861 will take place at the coming Commencement. Thirty-two out of the forty-one living members have

signified their intention of attending. A class dinner will be held at Portland, July 13th, and the next day the class will attend Commencement Exercises. We publish elsewhere a list of its members.

A new departure is breaking in upon us. The Faculty, thinking, perhaps, that their supply of marks was greater than that of almost any other commodity, has generously granted the chapel choir the privilege of one cut per week. The plan will, undoubtedly, work well. There will never be a lack of singers. We foresee a rush for positions, since forty marks in a term of thirteen weeks is well nigh Utopia. The ORIENT editors, upon consultation, find themselves possessed of six marks, and in the spirit of the Faculty offer them as rewards for contributions. If our supply were larger we should bid for the chapel choir to sing in our new ORIENT office, but since we have no more we must forego.

The treasurer of the Base-Ball Association comes with grievous complaint concerning unpaid subscriptions. We won't stop to remark that every one who has agreed to pay should pay, since the remark is unnecessary. It is quite needless to urge that honesty and manhood and kindred reasons demand a fulfilment of promises. It appears oftentimes as though a few students delighted in large subscriptions on the subscription paper, and small ones, extremely small, in the necessary collateral. The treasurer is perfectly willing to be paid. He is longing to be paid, and all those who have delayed till now, would do well to call upon him at the earliest opportunity and convenience and deposit with him

the amount which at present is outstanding against their names. The nine is in urgent need of every cent that can be collected.

For the remainder of the term gymnasium exercises will be conducted elsewhere than in Memorial Hall. The work upon the building and the rapid strides towards its completion necessitate the discontinuance of work within doors, and the old gymnasium, which for so many years has developed the muscle and laziness of Bowdoin boys, is soon to be a thing of the past. In the meantime, until a new and better gymnasium is built, work, if there be any, must be conducted out of doors. The change will be beneficial, and we doubt not but that interesting exercises can be substituted for the former exercises within the gymnasium. Remarks of eulogy upon the gymnasium are in order, and we hope that a few mourners at least, out of respect to what the gymnasium has been, will gather at its funeral and speak as cheering words as possible to all who are grieving at its timely demise.

Pressing invitations are pouring in upon us from every side, to publish in our columns an editorial condemning the present brick edifice that nestles remotely among the pines. The subject is a delicate one. We prefer to make no comments, and only suggest to the Faculty that an inspection of this building will reveal the causes of complaint and the necessity of action in regard to it. We are certain that the Faculty are ignorant of the condition of the interior of the building. We remember the advice of our instructor in Psychology concerning Dr. Wilder's "Health Notes" and the following out of his advice in every particular. We would truly like to have Dr. Wilder's opinion concerning the action of the Faculty in regard to a certain section of his book as illustrated by the aforesaid building. As it is now, the general opinion of the students could be condensed

into one universal growl of dissatisfaction, and this is, we think, the only existing cause of discontent now extant in college.

The ORIENT steps to the front again in announcing that spring has come. We are somewhat late, but come to the task, like the man who has almost missed the last train, with a determination unconquerable and a smiling countenance. Every college journal throughout the length and breadth of this fair land has made the thrilling statement. We have waited, lingering in doubt until we saw proofs, until we saw the ash-cart produced from the depths of mystery, and saw the delightfully suggestive work upon the campus walks. It is impossible to doubt that spring has come, as one beholds the spring-like demeanor of our agricultural professor, as with the touch of a master who delights to linger, he lovingly applies his rake to the ash heap, and with foresight and prudence engineers the approach and departure of the Roman-chariot of an ash-cart.

The campus everywhere gives evidence of coming summer. The swallows circling and twittering above Cleaveland, the sweet, sad strains of the seraphic hand-organ, as they come tripping gaily along upon the balmy breezes, the evidences of house cleaning in professor's rooms, are all witnesses to the fact, and from these we drew the above conclusion. We are truly happy. As ease-loving Juniors, we have nothing better to do than to placidly keep the sunshine from the grass and loaf away the leisure hours beneath the trees.

Every one has a pleasant outlook for the remainder of this term. The Sophomore shakes hands with his classmate as he sees in the near future visions of caucuses and excursions, of victories in the lists of love upon the tented field, and in numerous opportunities in the coming summer evenings for his large

abilities to display themselves in his chosen occupation. The Freshman relaxes his features as he remembers that time is soon to give him an elevation and secure him a front seat in the great list of untamed Sophomores. Take it all in all there are abundant causes for self-congratulation, and we are certain that these remarks are not amiss if they but call every reader's attention to the fact that there is a pleasant outlook before us in summer days and evenings.

The regatta will occur at five o'clock P.M., Thursday, June 2d. It is so near at hand that it demands, perhaps, a few words of comment. The race promises to be not in the least uninteresting, although, for the most part, there is little excitement throughout the college concerning it. The past unfavorable weather and the unceasing rain have been very disheartening, and this, connected with the state of the course, will be very prejudicial to fast time. The Androskoggin is very high. Higher we think than ever before during our remembrance, at the time of a race; and added to this is an extremely rapid current. The current is ruinous to fast time, since it is much stronger on the left than on the right side of the island, and will, therefore, aid less going than it will hinder coming, and the course back must be pulled in a current so strong that the floats can hardly be kept at anchor. The condition of the crews is well known throughout the college. The Freshmen are pulling extremely well, though somewhat young in the business. They work untiringly. The Sophomores and Seniors both have two new men in their boat. The former have been much delayed in procuring oar-locks and oars, and the rain has seriously interfered with their practice. The Seniors deserve, and we think receive, the unstinted praise of the college for their work towards the success of next Thursday's race. They could have refused to pull without discredit,

but as it is they have brought forth a crew and will make a determined struggle for the cup which they held for the first two years of their college course. '82 has the same crew and is pulling well. The race is at present anybody's race, and promises to be interesting if no accidents occur.

The microcosm of theatre goes and the intelligent thinking world in general have been intensely interested in the recent representation upon the boards of Sanders Theatre, at Cambridge, of the Greek Play of *Ædipus Tyrannus*. No event of so great interest to the educated world, and no idea of such striking originality of thought, carrying with it at the same time the idea of extended and pains-taking labor, has ever been placed before the American public.

As college students, the representation at Harvard, on May 17th, of *Ædipus Tyrannus* demands more than passing recognition. It bore with it a lesson to college students and educators, and it is this that interests us. It is the ardent wish of many that this representation may usher in the glad morning of a higher type of rivalry between colleges, and a more extended plan of education. The time may come, and the sooner the better, when the Greek Drama well performed will be worth more practically than a victory on the base-ball field. If this be the case then *Ædipus Tyrannus*, to which the most educated and refined audience that has for years assembled gave unceasing applause, and which has, during the past fortnight, been the theme of ruling praise, is the forerunner of a higher type of education. The times of Greece, to the majority of college students, are times of mythical, fabulous life. Hellenic customs are only vague, uncertain, ill-formed notions in the mind of the average student, and the play presented is the one means of surely and imperceptibly picking up the scattered notions gained by years perhaps of study. It cannot be otherwise. The play as presented

at Cambridge, is not an ill-conceived, ill-conducted affair. Every method known to the broadest scholarship and profoundest erudition has been applied to make this representation accurate, faithful, just. No detail of dress, armor, architecture, religious rites has been left, and in cases where conjecture had to be employed the best means of conjecture have been used, and the most satisfactory results obtained. Scholarship has gone hand in hand with labor, and when such a play is presented in such a manner before the public and indirectly before the intelligent world, it demands, as we said before, more than ordinary attention.

The success of *Œdipus* was decided. The press have scattered encomiums with a lavish hand, and Harvard must smile with content. It is not our object to remark concerning these comments further than it interests college life. There can be no doubt but that Harvard has by this drama eclipsed her rival universities, and there can be no doubt but that this undertaking has opened a possible method of education. The old obstacle of cost and time is insurmountable, and we can never expect to behold the classics taught from the stage perhaps, but the idea is intact, and it is none the less true that this object method of imparting knowledge is as true of history and ethics as it is of fundamental studies. Moral problems have for ages thus been taught, why not historical and classical?

The other view of *Œdipus* is its moral status as a play. Of this we feel ourselves incapable of judgment. It demands a presence at the presentation to decide. To the class to whom it was presented, a class of scholars, there is little danger. The story, the plot is immoral, but clothed in the surrounding web of life, custom, and religion. As produced in the very judgment hall of the gods the play would, we think, bear only the lesson of unerring and certain punishment. Revolting crime and its punishment

restrains, not engenders, vice. We would like to remark further. The amount of credit due Harvard for this achievement, in some respects gigantic, is great, and the only unhappy feature is that it cannot be more widely witnessed by college men. We cannot soon expect to see it imitated, and it is to be feared that some time will elapse before other universities follow Harvard's lead.

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### AUF WIEDERSEHEN.

IN MEMORY OF J. T. F.

Until we meet again! That is the meaning  
Of the familiar words, that men repeat  
At parting in the street.  
Ah yes, till then! but when death intervening  
Rends us asunder, with what ceaseless pain  
We wait for the Again!

The friends who leave us do not feel the sorrow  
Of parting, as we feel it, who must stay  
Lamenting day by day,  
And knowing, when we wake upon the morrow,  
We shall not find in its accustomed place  
The one beloved face.

It were a double grief, if the departed,  
Being released from earth, should still retain  
A sense of earthly pain;  
It were a double grief, if the true-hearted,  
Who loved us here, should on the farther shore  
Remember us no more.

Believing, in the midst of our afflictions,  
That death is a beginning, not an end,  
We cry to them, and send  
Farewells, that better might be called predictions,  
Being foreshadowings of the future, thrown  
Into the vast Unknown.

Faith overleaps the confines of our reason,  
And if by faith, as in old times was said,  
Women received their dead  
Raised up to life, then only for a season  
Our partings are, nor shall we wait in vain  
Until we meet again!

—*Atlantic for June.*

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### EXTRACTS FROM EXCHANGES.

Owing to the fact that the members of the college are debarred from a consultation of our exchanges, and as a consequence are, in a great degree, ignorant of the questions which are agitating the college world, we

consider it a duty owed to our readers to remedy this defect, so far as we are able. With this end in view, we quote from some of our exchanges on subjects which cannot fail to be interesting, interspersing our own comments.

The statement recently going the rounds of the college press, purporting to be a quotation from this paper representing us as saying that Princeton would not engage in foot-ball matches away from this city, we characterize as purely and maliciously false. What we *did* say, and we are willing to stand by the statement, was, that Princeton possesses rare advantages for this sport, such as are enjoyed by no other college. Owing to our peculiar sanitary arrangements there are always open and ready for use freshly dug graves which could be utilized during and after the game, thus avoiding many of the expenses now incurred.—*Princetonian*.

A reference to our exchange file bears out the Princeton man in his statements.

Subscription papers are now in circulation for the purpose of obtaining an amount of money necessary to defray expenses in turning the Charles River from its course and forming a pond which shall be used for our annual inter-collegiate race. The eminent advantages of such a course must present themselves to every Harvard man. To be sure the advantages would be all on our side, but this would be only fair, inasmuch as Yale's oarsmen are larger than we and possessed of considerable skill and pluck. We hope by holding the race here to develop, through home associations and nearness to maternal influence, sufficient powers to offset the superiority of our opponents. We trust that the undertaking may meet with earnest co-operation and that the course may be in readiness when the time stipulated for holding races at New London shall have expired.—*Harvard Echo*.

We sincerely hope, dear *Echo*, that you may not be disappointed in your wishes.

All decent men must rejoice at the news which we present them to-day. *Smintheus is dead!* Ay, dead; and his death is a peculiar manifestation of Divine power, which, while suffering the full enjoyment of powers exercised, it may be, for evil alone, in time renders their productions the means of the destruction of the originator. Know that Smintheus died a fitting death, and in that death, which we were instrumental in bringing about, we glory in

having rid the world of a miscreant in comparison with whom Ingersoll is speechless and Kearney sinks into insignificance.—*Yale Record Extra*.

We await with much interest the effect on Columbia of the murder of their champion. The following is from the *New Haven Register*:

Probably the full particulars of the murder of Smintheus will never be learned, as they are known only to the participants in that remarkable affair. However, of the closing moments of the victim's life, we have the following from an eye-witness: "Smintheus, notwithstanding the terrible torture to which he was subjected, died game. The dying unknown lay in the arms of the *Lit.* editors, held as in a vise; about him danced the editors of the *Record* shrieking in his ears selections from his own productions, the only instrument of torture used; while on the floor, overcome by their exertions, with idiotic smiles wreathing their faces, betokening incipient insanity, lay another group. In the midst of such a scene, Smintheus patiently breathed his life away. A fit ending to an inglorious career."

In the same paper occurs the following:

"The saloon keepers of this city yesterday adopted the following:

*Whereas*, In the death of Smintheus the trade recognizes the working of a wisely shaping hand, in thus delivering our business from the stagnation into which it had fallen through him, and

*Whereas*, This happy state of affairs has been compassed through the efforts of the editors of the *Yale papers*,

*Resolved*, That in recognition of these services, in the future the trade will make a reduction to these gentlemen of fifty per cent. on the current price of beer per 'schooner.'

We regret to say that the gentlemen will be unable for some time to come, to enjoy their unexpected good fortune, as they have succumbed to the extraordinary exertions undergone by them in gratifying their hatred.

It is our sad duty to announce the prospective failure of the peanut crop for the season. The news must cause a pang in the breast of every loyal Bates man, inasmuch as we are now deprived of our favorite and only means of celebrating our victories. The announcement must carry with it one consolation, at least, in that the pernicious practice of betting, which some of the scholars have contracted, will in a measure be done away with.—*Bates Student*.

After the present edition, the local department

will cease to exist. We have been driven to this step by the departure from college of "Skill," who furnished the subject for all of our best jokes and witty sayings, and whose place we are unable to fill.  
—*Bates Student.*

We read this announcement with deep regret, as we have enjoyed many a hearty laugh over these jokes(?).

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### AWAKENING LIFE.

On the topmost twig of the budding tree,  
The bluebird hails the coming day,  
And the robin in his merry glee  
With joy salutes the welcome May.

The fields again are clad in green,  
The brooks are loosed from Winter's chain  
And flow along to meet the sea,  
All bubbling forth their sweet refrain.

The gentle rains of spring descend  
To moisten the awaiting fields;  
All Nature wakes, as from a sleep,  
And to her Maker tribute yields.

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### COMMUNICATIONS.

*Editors of Orient:*

Our reading-room has been the subject of many an editorial and communication in the **ORIENT**, but still there seems to be ample opportunity to again bring this subject before the students.

Let us examine the reading-room as it is to-day. We open the door. What a sight meets our gaze, and what an odor imposes on our sense of smell! We see a floor covered with filth; papers, ragged and clipped, scattered about in promiscuous confusion; a stove, dirty and rusty; lamp chimneys of every shade of blackness for want of proper care, and an enormous cuspadore exhaling its foul odors. Two rickety settees, a few broken chairs, several students occupying them, some engaged in animated discussions, regardless of the fact that the reading-room is not the place for them to display their powers of oratory; and others filling the atmosphere with smoke

from their foul pipes or disgusting cigarettes, complete the picture.

Can we wonder that complaints are frequent concerning the management of this department of our college? But who are we to blame for this state of affairs? Certainly it is the duty of the manager of the reading-room to see that it is kept in a respectable condition, but can we expect him to do this when the body of the students conspire against him?

Although we acknowledge that the manager has much to contend with, yet we must confess that we think that during the past year the management of the reading-room has been, to say the least, a little lax. Too often is it the case that the papers are left around loose until they are unfit for use, and it must be acknowledged by all that very little care is taken in regard to the cleanliness of the room. When the manager is appointed he is expected to take proper care of the room, and because the students are slovenly in their habits there is no reason that he should leave his work half done.

We all take pride in our library, our art gallery, and our cabinet, but how much pleasure would it afford us to show our friends about these institutions were the books, pictures, and specimens scattered around regardless of order, and the rooms filthy and disgusting for want of proper care. We are dependent on the reading-room for our information respecting the daily actions of the world, and it is as much our duty to keep this in a respectable condition as any other part of the college. Many papers and magazines are placed at our disposal, and we ought, at least, to show that we appreciate this by treating them, and the room in which they are kept decently. We may complain about the management, but unless we are willing to exercise a little care ourselves, we can expect no better condition of affairs. It requires very little effort to hang the papers up

when we are through with them, and to refrain from clipping them. We acknowledge that it would be very difficult for some to refrain from using the room like a common bar-room. If there are any who are too lazy to properly dispose of the papers after they are done with them, let some of us kindly volunteer to assist them, and let those gentlemen (?) who have no respect for themselves or anybody else, be supplied with a place better suited to their nature and hoggish disposition.

By all means let us have the room kept in a condition suitable to occupy. \* \* \*

MALDEN, MASS., May 17, 1881.

*Editors of Orient :*

The following anecdote is entirely authentic, and was given to me by my father, a member of the class of '31. You can rely upon its authenticity as regards Bowdoin.

About the year 1830, two sportive Bowdoin students removed a sign from the store of a tradesman in the town. Taking it to their room, they reduced it to kindling wood and were proceeding to burn the fragments, when the well-known step of the respected president was heard in the hall. A rule of the institution at that period was that no college officer could enter a student's room while the latter was performing his devotions. One of the graceless purloiners accordingly placed his chair against the door, and engaged in pious (?) exercises, frequently quoting from Scripture as follows: "A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign, but no sign shall be given to this generation." When the last splinter of the sign had been consumed, the counterfeit supplication ceased, the door was opened, and the president entered, accompanied by the irate shop-keeper. After a fruitless search of the premises, the visitors retired, commenting upon the smoky atmosphere of the apartment.

Yours Truly,

A. B. W.

TABLE OF AVERAGES.

We print below a table, from the *Crimson*, showing the best American Records. It is presented for the interest and instruction of our zealous athletes. The matter of accuracy and honesty in measurement of all distances and times cannot be too strongly

urged. We are indebted to the *Crimson* also for the definition of a college record as a record, which must be accomplished by an *undergraduate* in an event *open only to college men*. We hope the table may be useful as a standard of comparison, and as such we present it to our readers.

EVENT.	RECORD.	NAME.	COLLEGE.	WHERE MADE.
	H. M.			
100-yards dash.....	10½	E. J. Wendell.	Harvard.	McGill Coll. Games, Montreal, Oct. 30, 1880.
220-yards dash.....	23½	H. H. Lee.	Univ. of Pa.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Haven, July 4, 1877.
4-mile run.....	58½	E. J. Wendell.	Harvard.	Harvard A. A. Games, May 22, 1880.
4-mile run.....	2	R. R. Colgate.	Columbia.	Columbia Coll. Games, Mott Hav., May 5, 77.
1-mile run.....	4 37 3-5	T. DeW. Cuyler.	Yale.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Haven, May 29, 1880.
3-mile run.....	16	E. C. Stinson.	Dartmouth.	Intercoll. Games, Saratoga, July 20, 1876.
120-yards hurdle.....	18 1-5	J. E. Cowdin.	Harvard.	Harvard A. A. Games, May 22, 1879.
1-mile walk.....	7	C. Eldredge.	Columbia.	Columbia Coll. Games, Mott Hav., May 5, 77.
2-mile walk.....	4 4-5	C. Eldredge.	Columbia.	Columbia Coll. Games, Mott Hav., Oct. 27, 77.
3-mile walk.....	15	— Caulmann.	Cornell.	Cornell College, Ithaca, May 25, 1880.
7-mile walk.....	1 5 13½	W. R. Taylor.	Harvard.	Intercoll. Games, Saratoga, July 15, 1875.
Running high jump.....	5	J. P. Conover.	Columbia.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Haven, May 9, 1879.
Standing high jump.....	5	W. Soren.	Trinity.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Hav., May 29, 1880.
Running broad jump.....	20 11	R. M. Campbell.	Trinity.	Trinity Coll. Games, Hartford, May 25, 1878.
Standing broad jump.....	38	F. Larkin.	Princeton.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Haven, May 9, 1879.
Pole leaping.....	9	R. Tewksbury.	Princeton.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Haven, May 29, 1880.
Throwing the hammer.....	87	F. Larkin.	Princeton.	Intercoll. Games, Mott Haven, May 9, 1879.
Putting the shot.....	37	— Cuzner.	McGill.	McGill Coll. Games, Montreal, Oct. 24, 1878.

SUMMARY.—Harvard, 5; Columbia, 4; Princeton, 3; Cornell, 1; Dartmouth, 1; McGill, 1; Trinity, 1; University of Penn., 1; Yale, 1.

\* Best American Amateur Record.

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

Rubber boots again.

Horn concert, May 10th.

Adjourns have been abundant.

Crosby, they say, is spoken for.

Are you taking Dutch this term?

Work in the gymnasium ended the 13th.

Junior physicists have been *testing* alcohol.

The naughty Sophs. have been *getting* marks.

The largest clinic for years was held the 14th.

Prof. X.—“Ah! Phinney, can't you finish it?”

C. and M., '82, the last charge in the Aroostook War.

Second examination in Psychology for the Juniors the 25th.

The old colony of swallows has returned to its chimney in Cleaveland.

*Und hing ihm endlich*, has been translated, “And they hung him *endwise*.”

One of the choir uses his extra two marks to cut Sunday evening prayers.

The practising of the Ivy Ode was thought to be the Freshmen learning Phi Chi.

Cigar,—is suspended in a certain room a half-burned cigar,—reminder of a broken pledge.

“Thus science conquers superstition,” the Medic said as he smashed the yaggers' jack o' lantern.

Ottie's remarks on the English Judiciary were only interrupted when the President *came to his relief*.

Our chapel choir at the close of this term will start for Europe in the private steam yacht of E. R. J.

As Billy gets up to recite, the Prof. remarks: “You will observe, gentlemen, the gas is now turned on.”

The latest development of *cussedness* is the stealing of an Instructor's oil can and refilling it with water.

This shows the advantages of a classical education, as the student said when he began knowledge with *gn*.

The college has received a gift of \$1,000, to be used as deemed best. Why not give a supper to the ORIENT Board?

A Freshman has been visiting the French graveyard and wants to know when those *old English* settlers were buried there.

The officers of the cadets are anxious to have a parade on Memorial Day, but privates seem to view the matter in another light.

Among other proposals handed in for painting the boat-house is that of Blondel and Mansur, of '82.

Student in Science of War (describing equipments of soldiers)—“Some carry knapsacks and some haversacks, when they have a sack.”

'83 has shown too much haste in getting out of chapel. The upper-classmen, you know, don't like to be crowded by last-year's-Freshmen.

There is the usual complaint of bad water this spring. Even the wells on the west side of the buildings, it is said, are not in good condition.

Doc and Plimp will, during the present week, give the last (positively) exhibition of their famous collar and elbow contest. Tickets free.

Instructor in Latin—“What is the literal meaning of *inane*?” Mr B. (dreamily)—“It's where they used to hire women to mourn at his funeral.”

In the annual convention of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity, held at Brown University, W. I. Cole, '81, and W. C. Merryman, '82, represent the Bowdoin Chapter.

Senior (translating from German Bible)—“Return, O Lord.”—slight pause—“how long!” Other Senior (who is listening)—“About ten lines further, I guess.”

A bicycle race will be a new feature on Field Day, and a tub race on the river, before the usual regatta, will keep the spectators amused on the afternoon of June 2d.

Prof. L.'s anecdotes of the Rocky Mountain sheep and the sagacious rat, are equal to that of E. U.'s man with three rows of teeth, as related in the Physiology class last winter.

By the munificence of Mr. E. R. Jewett, the Boating Association is to receive a large ensign for the boat-house, bearing an anchor and the word *Bowdoin* in blue and gold.

Those who recite directly after prayers favor the idea of singing in chapel; those, however, who have the next hour for study think the morning exercises are ordinarily none too short.

One of the engineers thinks that his department is not of so much importance but that it gives *tone* to the college. Surveying the matter on this level is due to a transitory chain of thought.

The poem, “Anna,” in our last number calls to mind the announcement that the Sophomores were anticipating the celebration of this anniversary. The ancient ceremony has been repeated annually until last year when it was annulled for an obvious reason. It is to be hoped that '83's “Anna” will not have any cause for annoyance from her unburied ashes.



The base-ball game in the south end of W. H., the other day, resulted, 108 to 79, in favor of the "Smash-everything" against the "Smash-pretty-near-everything" nine. Umpire, H. Johnson.

The Ivy Invitations have arrived and are for sale at No. 6 W. H. '81's invitations were gold finished cards. '82's are double sheets with the class monogram at the top in crimson and gold.

The Juniors have held a class meeting for election of Ivy Honors. The results will appear June 3d. By the same class, those contesting at the prize declamations were voted for last Wednesday.

So much of the golden ore is taken out of the Seniors' pockets to keep their crew supplied with cypress wood, that it would be better to suppress the latter's destructive propensity or give up the boating business.

The grammatical question has been discussed by a number of students of late, whether it is correct to say "What *am* I?" or "What *are* I?" It is needless to say that the majority have decided on the former, somewhat to their chagrin.

One Sophomore, "after taking a bird's-eye view of the class," votes for himself as among the twelve best speakers. The result shows that a majority of the class don't look at his ability with the bird's-eye view, and he is elected to sit among the audience.

It was expected that our nine would play with the Bates at Lewiston last Saturday, and many intended to see their first trial of strength with a nine of our own State. The weather was not suitable, however, and at the time no definite arrangement was made.

The squirrel usually goes after the *acorn*, but one of the noble Seniors has recently reversed the natural order by spending his valuable time and still more valuable cartridges in destroying one poor squirrel. This may be an amusing business but it is a *small one*.

The Sophomores voted some time ago for those taking part in the usual prize declamations, and last week it was announced that the following were elected: Allen, Austin, Bascom, Cole, Fling, Gibson, Kendall, Perkins, Pettengill, Stetson, Swan, and Washburn.

The new chapel song books show a very judicious selection on the part of the committee, both in respect to the larger ones exclusively for the choir and those for general use in the *pù*. The books were first tried last Sunday morning and "Old Coronation" sounded as though the boys enjoyed the novelty of the new exercise. The singing of the double quartette on Sunday evening was also very fine.

Many have been wondering what the Juniors are singing so much of late. We endeavor to gratify their curiosity by the following:

"The hickory berry vine entwines  
The brown nuts of the turnip tree,  
The cashmere heifer skips and plays  
To the tuneful blent of the feathery bee.  
On the tall boughs 'mid the buckwheat buds,  
We hear the low of the finny plover.  
While the bay bull hitched to the rumbling scythe  
Husks out the golden clover."

The class odist has in this production closely imitated the *Bucolics* of Virgil.

The game of ball intended for Wednesday last was postponed till Saturday on account of the storm and subsequent condition of the grounds. The late heavy rains also caused a serious set back in the preparation for all our spring sports, and even after it was possible to get out of doors the ground was soft for walking and running, and the river so high and swift as to make boating disagreeable not to say dangerous. If the records do not come up to their usual standard it may be partially attributed to the loss of nearly a week's time in the midst of training.

The boat crews show, on the whole, the results of last winter's work in the gymnasium, and with good training are in excellent condition despite the unfavorable circumstances which have opposed them.

The Senior crew has undergone several changes which interfere with their progress toward perfection. They have been fortunate in having Pettengill, their former stroke, as a *coach*, and Fisher, in his change from No. 3 to stroke, has been doing all that could be asked. Now that there is a prospect of losing Larrabee from the bow, Pettengill and Fisher are to take once more their old places, and the new men in the waist will be obliged to change again, Manson to No. 2, and Gray to bow. Whatever the arrangement, they form a strong crew and a hard one to beat, as they are likely to exceed their record of last year. The class of '81 deserves credit for maintaining their boating interests under adverse circumstances and during the last term of their college course.

The Juniors have the same crew in the same places as last year and thus have some advantage over the others. Aside from this, though the heaviest crew on the river, they have not made proportionally so much improvement. The time they are making, estimated by different persons from diverse places (under the bridge, behind the boat-house, etc.), varies from 22-30 to 19-10. Money is not put up so freely against this crew as it was last year, but it should be remembered that because a crew wins one year it is not sure to do the same the next.

The Sophomores began work in good earnest at the beginning of the term, but on account of delays in repairing their boat, lost much valuable time. At present, with their new rigging, they are making up for this lost time, and though having two new men, they show improvement in stroke and general form, promising with a year's experience to prove as formidable rival as '80 found them in their first race.

It is not ordinarily expected that the Freshmen, with only one season of training, should come up with those of longer experience, and although we cannot predict the highest honors for '84, yet they are doing some hard pulling and show fair form and style. It is the general opinion that, in some respects, a better selection could be made from the men of their class, but as it is late now for a change they await the events of next week with high hopes (and not without some foundation), that they may surpass the record of previous Freshmen classes.

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## PERSONAL.

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[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

'18.—Moses Emery, the oldest member of the York County Bar, died at his home in Saco, a few days since, aged 86 years. He was born in Minot, July 16, 1796. He studied law with Judge Jeremiah Bailey, of Wiscasset, being admitted to the Bar in 1821. He remained with the Judge until 1825, when he removed to Saco, and has since continued to do business in the same office where he first located. He was on the Board of School Committee of Saco for many years, and has ever been an ardent politician, being a member of the State Legislature in 1836 and 1837. Mr. Emery was one of the promoters of the building of the Portland, Saco & Portsmouth Railroad, and also a member of the Maine Historical Society.

'36.—George F. Emery has resigned as manager and treasurer of the *Boston Post*, but continues as writer of the political editorials.

'62.—Rev. J. T. Magrath, Episcopal minister at Battle Creek, Michigan, has removed to Forristdale, Pennsylvania.

'64.—Rev. Webster Woodbury, Congregational minister at Skowhegan, has resigned and will supply the church in Gardiner during the absence of Rev. A. L. Park, who is to be away for a few months.

'65.—Joseph E. Moore has been elected as a member of the *Boston Post* Publishing Company.

'71.—Wallace R. White has been appointed United States District Attorney for Washington Territory.

'72.—H. M. Heath, County Attorney of Kennebec County, has lately been admitted to practice in the United States Circuit and District Courts.

'75.—E. H. Hall is instructor of Physics at Harvard.

'79.—H. D. Bowker is teaching in the State Reform School at Westboro, Mass.

'79.—J. C. Tarbox was in town a few days ago. He has been stopping in Washington, D. C., during the past winter.

'80.—F. O. Purington is principal of the Topsham High School.

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## COLLEGE WORLD.

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### HARVARD:

The Harvard Bicycle Club is said to contain one hundred and thirty members. We should like to know the average number laid up by accidents during the season.

The adaptation of the Greek choruses to modern music will necessitate an intermission in the middle of the play, in order that the stringed instruments may be tuned. This is, of course, a departure from the ancient custom, but is unavoidable.—*Advocate*.

### YALE:

The cost of supporting the Yale Navy last year was \$5,300.

The Glee Club made three dollars in Philadelphia.—*Record*.

The *Courant* is looking up the religious belief at Yale, but finds it slow work to determine it.

Undismayed by the thunders of the college press, the dread spectre of "Annals" is rapidly approaching. Would that some Luther would arise to free us from this inquisition of the nineteenth century.—*Record*.

### COLUMBIA:

The college has just obtained a large globe four feet in diameter, with the surface in relief to show land and water. It came from Berlin, and is one of the eleven largest ever made.

The *Acta* complains that Columbia has no baseball nine and tries to arouse its students to efforts in this direction, by the honors won by Harvard in this field.

### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN:

There are 37,000 books and 10,000 pamphlets in the university libraries.

The abolition of chapel exercises altogether, although they are now voluntary, is being agitated.

A professor, after listening to an unusual number of Monday flunks, called attention to the fact by saying: "This class is to be congratulated on one thing, it is very evident that the members do not study on Sunday."—*Chronicle*.

## SYRACUSE:

The *Syracusan* predicts a large Freshman class next fall as a result of the free advertising given on account of the recent hazing scrape. After the acquittal of the alleged hazers of Tipple the college held a great glorification, but their rejoicing was quickly stopped as the Faculty indefinitely suspended the four charged with the act.

## MISCELLANY:

Amherst has a Bicycle Club of twenty members. "Josh Billings" is a graduate of Hamilton, class of '37.

The Cornell Four left New York for England by the National Line, May 21st.

Trinity devotes itself to Cricket to support its claim as "The Oxford of America."

The Princeton Glee Club cleared over \$600 at their concert in Cincinnati, during the spring recess.

The average age at which students enter American colleges is seventeen; a century ago it was fourteen.

The numerous Oxford caps worn by the students give Williamstown quite the air of a university town; the numerous plugs give it the aspect of a fashionable resort; while the bats and rackets and LaCrosse sticks add a sporting air to the quiet little place. Don't let us lose hope. In another thousand years it may be quite a respectable town.—*Athenaeum*.

## CLIPPINGS.

She was declaiming "The Launching of the Ship," and as with a tender voice she exclaimed:

"How beautiful she is! how fair  
She lies within those arms that press  
Her form with many a soft caress  
Of tenderness and watchful care!"

the professor rolled his eyes in ecstasy and whispered, "Beautiful, beautiful figure!" and the boys held each other down in their place, and smacked their juicy lips. Such, alas, are the temptations of co-education.

A tom-cat sits upon a shed,  
And warbles sweetly to its mate;  
"Oh, when the world has gone to bed,  
I love to sit and mew till late."

But while the tom-cat sits and sings,  
Up springs the student, mad with hate;  
He shoots that cat to fiddle-strings—  
He also loves to mu-til-ate!

Scene at the college: Prep. (to servant at the door)—"Miss ——." Servant—"She's engaged." Prep.—"I know it. I'm him what she's engaged to."—*Ex.*

A Freshman, slipping on a banana skin as he strolled along the broad, icy asphalt walk, exclaimed: "Thank Heaven I don't live in the tropics, where the ice would be covered with banana skins."

Harvard is the Fifth Avenue of American colleges. Yale the Broadway.—*Ex.* And Vassar the Maiden Lane.—*Miscellany*. And Princeton the Rotten Row.—*Acta*. And Wellesley the Threadneedle Street.

"I am translating you from the German," said a Senior to the fair one by his side, as they rolled away from the dance, the other evening. "Not without a horse," she murmured, and quietly fainted.

A young lady was caressing a pretty spaniel and murmuring, "I do love a nice dog!" "Ah," sighed a dandy standing near, "I would I were a dog." "Never mind," retorted the lady, "you'll grow."—*Ex.*

Prof. (in Literature class)—"Can any of you tell me the true difference between high and low German?" Smart Soph. (eagerly)—"High German's German, and low German's Dutch." He has been sent to West Point.

How did she know it? They were returning from a yachting party in the fog. He (trying to keep up a conversation)—"How wet this fog makes my moustache!" She—"Yes, so it does." Utter collapse of further conversation.—*Ex.*

It was their first night aboard the steamer. "At last," he said tenderly, "we are alone, out upon the deep waters of the dark blue sea, and your heart will always beat for me, as it has beat in the past!" "My heart's all right," she answered, languidly, but my stomach feels awful."

## EDITORS' TABLE.

The *Harvard Crimmon* is almost the only college paper which has approved of the assault of Smintheus on the Yale journals. It has constantly encouraged his abusive attacks, has copied largely from them and sprinkled its pages with such observations as, "It is rumored that the *Record* has offered Smintheus a position on its editorial board, in the vain hope of making that paper readable," and "The belligerent *Courant* copies poetry from the *Advocate* now that it no longer exchanges with the *Acta*. Grand old Yale!" Now, envious of the *Acta*'s notoriety, it enters the same field as a rival mudslinger. It stirs up a quarrel with its elder brother, the staid and dignified *Advocate*. We are sorry to see such exhibitions on the part of the *Crimmon*, as it has too good a reputation to need to indulge in such attempts at wit in order to win recognition. The last *Advocate* calls the *Crimmon* the brightest and freshest of its ex-

changes, and by a courteous explanation of its statements, lays open the way to a reconciliation, instead of taking up the gauntlet the *Crimson* has thrown down. It is to be hoped that peace may be declared and both parties turn themselves to more legitimate literary efforts.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to the annual meeting of the Inter-State Collegiate Oratorical Association, held with Illinois College early in May. The program was a confused medley of base-ball games, banquets, receptions, and oratorical contests, planned more after the Olympic games than anything else we ever heard of, although owing to the state of the weather, the out-door part of the exercises had to be omitted,—a hindrance more likely to be met with in America than in Greece. In the grand, oratorical contest six orators took part,—one each from the States of Minnesota, Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, and Wisconsin. The orator from Indiana obtained the first prize. The subject of his oration was, "The Philosophy of Skepticism." Minnesota obtained the second. The contestant from Iowa was a young lady. Her article on "Hypatia" was very finely written, but rather too dramatic and not thoughtful enough. As a whole the meeting was a great success. Such associations would be of great advantage to any group of colleges. We should like to see a movement made towards forming such an organization among our Maine colleges.

We have often wondered what becomes of the college jokes which go the rounds of all the papers, are misquoted, mutilated, or burdened with additional remarks by would-be-funny men. They certainly deserve some asylum where, as a recompense for their past usefulness, they may be honorably preserved; and we have found where they go. The *Philosophian Review*, a review published every six weeks somewhere in New Jersey, is their final resting-place. Its last number contains over four pages of clippings which were never of much value, which have been worn thread-bare in the service, and every one of which an exchange editor could easily recite from memory so often has he met them. College jokes are queer things any way. No one knows where most of them come from. They appear labelled "Ex.," and are copied from one paper to another. It is our opinion that the originators of many of them are so ashamed of their productions that they will not designate them as their own, but introduce them surreptitiously to the world through the medium of their clippings column.

Experience will establish as a general law, that the largest colleges have the best college publica-

tions. This is strikingly verified in the case of the *Chronicle* of the University of Michigan. Its last number contains sixteen pages crammed full of interesting matter. Although not pretending to be much of a literary paper, it has carefully written articles on interesting subjects. As a college paper, a reflection of college doings and interests, we do not hesitate to give it the highest place. Its editorials are on matters of the highest importance, its locals are spicy, its personals are particularly complete. It deserves the large circulation it has.

The *Atlantic* for June is before us. The following are its varied and valuable contents: "Over on the T'other Mounting;" "The Indoor Pauper;" "A Spring Opening;" "Bergen Days;" "Felicissima;" "Who lost Waterloo?" "The Portrait of a Lady;" "Chance;" "French Tragedy;" "Friends—A Duet;" "A Taste of Maine Birch;" "Whittier's Kings Missive, and Other Recent Poetry;" "Five American Novels;" Carlyle's Reminiscences;" "The Renaissance of France;" "The Contributors Club;" "Books of the Month;" "Auf Wiedersehen." In the first article are some very picturesque descriptions of mountain scenery. The poem, "Auf Wiedersehen," refers to the well-known incident shortly before the death of James T. Fields, "To whose tact and ability the magazine is greatly indebted for the place it occupies in American periodical literature."

*Scribner* for June is a remarkably interesting and timely number. Its contents are: "The Farragut Monument;" "Along the North Shore of Long Island;" "Sic Semper Liberatoibus!" "The Sanitary Condition of New York, II.;" "Madame Delphine, II.;" "An August Morning with Farragut;" "The Lobster at Home;" "Latitude Unknown;" "Practical Floriculture;" "Bastien Lepage;" "Poems from a Scrap-Book;" "The Westminster Play;" "A Rainy Day with Uncle Remus;" "Peter the Great as Ruler and Reformer, VIII.;" "Keenan's Charge;" "Fritz;" "Farragut;" "Lord Beaconsfield;" "Some New Berries;" "The Largest Extinct Volcano;" "A Fearful Responsibility, I.;" "The Revised New Testament;" "Topics of the Time;" "Communications;" "Home and Society;" "Culture and Progress;" "The World's Work;" "Bric-à-Brac." We clip the following delightfully uncertain little explanation from Bric-à-Brac:

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That—what else could I do?  
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But—her lips were so near  
That—what else could I do?"

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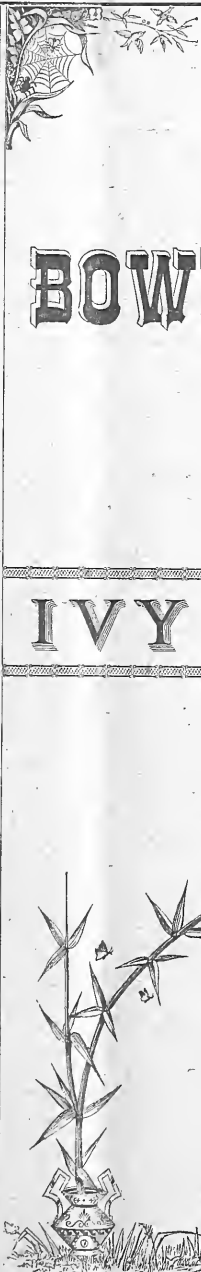


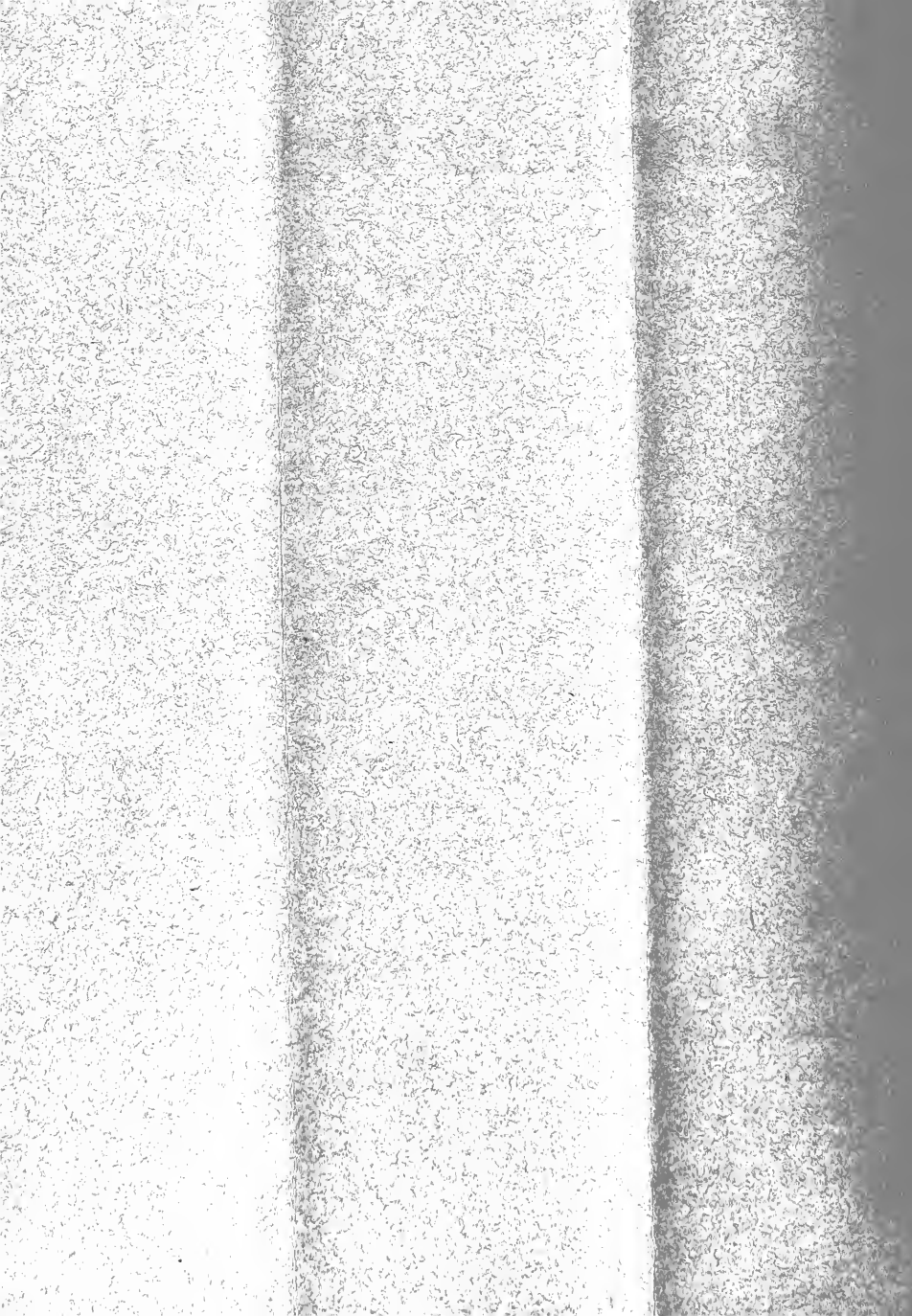
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

We are somewhat late, and come before our readers with our first excuse. We don't know just how to express it, and would like to mix in a touch of pathos concerning the distracting tendencies of Ivy Day, and how the music of the orchestra mingled with visions of fair forms and faces, and unfitted us for work with a touch of the true reason, viz., that we were obliged to wait until Ivy Day

had passed, and that then the regular time of issuing the ORIENT having gone by, the date of this issue was at the printer's convenience. We trust, whatever our excuse, that you will pardon our delay and will believe us when we promise our best endeavors to prevent its recurrence.

We feel justified in offering a few unsought words of praise towards Andrews' Orchestra for its fine music and gentlemanly bearing on Ivy Day and Evening. The orchestra was entirely satisfactory and would, we think, prove a successful competitor to Chandler but for the distance from which it must come, and the consequent increase in cost. It is pleasant to be able to make terms with more than one management in the hiring of music, and the recent satisfactory engagement of the above orchestra has proved conclusively that the college is not necessarily confined to Portland for its music.

We never saw a game of La Crosse played upon the campus or elsewhere by the students, and yet we are assured that formerly the game was very popular and extremely well played by members of the Bowdoin La Crosse Association. Only a few weeks since the secretary of the Bowdoin La Crosse Association (which official is entirely a new creation) received a letter from Harvard desiring a game, and offering very generous terms, and the new made Secretary answered as tenderly for the defunct La Crosse Association as he could, and assured the writer that the above mentioned La Crosse Association couldn't send a team just now, but that the matter would be agitated. This is why we agitate it. We

fear that La Crosse is dead, painfully defunct, and that its remains can only be discovered by the few remaining ornaments which formerly were used in the noble red man's sport. If there is anything of interest to the students in the game it should be pursued, and the few interested ones who are left over from base-ball and boating might profitably form a new La Crosse Association, and elect a legitimate secretary. We need at least the luxury of a secretary; we can but feel that as a college we are defrauded in not having a secretary, and the sooner the La Crosse sticks are produced the better for his election.

Our Ivy Day has come and gone and left only a throng of pleasant memories. We have often been met with the question as to what is an Ivy Day, and have often wondered what the name could suggest to the uninitiated. We plant an ivy, we hold appropriate exercises, and we take up the duties of work again feeling that we are more closely united as a class, and assured that whatever be our fortune we shall always have this bright spot in our college life to remember with pleasure. As we learn from a previous number of the ORIENT, Ivy Day took its beginning in October, 1865, was held again in 1874, and since then uninterruptedly until it has become firmly implanted. It is needless to offer sentiment or attempt to expand upon its virtues as a college custom. It is also impossible, perhaps, to tell the person unacquainted with the exercises what our Ivy Day consists in, but for our part we are assured that it is a custom becoming more deeply rooted with every class, and believe that we can safely prophecy that this custom of planting an ivy in this month of June will never die out from among the students of this college. The past holidays have been very pleasant and satisfactory to the college, and especially to the Junior class, and we believe that we can safely say that '82's brightest and best memo-

ries of college life and Junior year will cluster around her Ivy Day.

The action of the boating meeting of Monday, June 6, was quite decisive, and resulted in the selection of the Junior crew as the crew which is to participate, if any, in the proposed race at Lake George. The general opinion of the meeting was that it is both practicable and advisable to send a representative Bowdoin crew to some inter-collegiate regatta. Generous terms have been offered by the secretary of Lake George Association, and the only matters of consideration are finances and the procuring of a boat. Both these matters are in the hands of committees, and we trust that every one who is able will encourage the committee on the score of financial ability. We have no fear but that if other colleges can be induced to enter we shall be able to be represented, and it is a matter of some moment and worthy of profound consideration among the students. We shall refer to this again.

Like the celebrated cathedral at Cologne, Memorial Hall is moving on to its completion. Now and then during the past few weeks a workman has appeared at the pump, and occasionally we hear them building a staging. By untiring toil they have moved the staging from the north to the south end of the building, and they have by unremitting exertions almost "pointed up" one side of the building. The rain has greatly interfered; if it hadn't we are quite sure that they would have entirely finished the east side. There is food for sentiment in the contemplation of this building, and we often picture how pleasant it will be in after years to come back and shake hands with these same stone masons, and recall the pleasant summer term when they first began work on the building. At the present rate of operations we prophecy Christmas, 1900, for its dedication, and in

the meantime suggest that it would be well, perhaps, to put the building on ice to prevent its destruction by too rapid manipulation.

In our columns elsewhere will be found an account of the race. Our spring regatta, being our only regatta, is worthy of attention. The race on Friday morning, pulled as it was under unfavorable circumstances, in rough water, and at the unheard-of hour of 6.30 in the morning, was yet a well-rowed race. The Juniors are well satisfied, and they have every reason to be when they consider the conditions and the time in which the race was pulled. The Freshmen, we are sorry to say, are not contented. There is a lingering belief that they can beat their time, and perhaps the Sophomores. The reasons for this discontent are good ones, and are that they had only a few days previous pulled over the course in less time than their time in the race, and that the crew through misunderstanding had not eaten breakfast. These reasons rendered them somewhat dissatisfied, but we would suggest that they have no reasons whatever for discontent, since their time was as good as that of any Freshman crew except '81, and that there is a difference between pulling in rough and in smooth water. Their race as pulled on Friday morning was plucky and well contested, and only proved the advantages of a crew trained by previous races over one that has never pulled a race. The Sophomores surprised themselves, we venture. The last week of their training developed more than was expected, and their time of 19.57 made both crew and class satisfied. The Seniors, finding themselves entirely unfitted to row through unlooked-for obstacles, withdrew nearly a fortnight previous to the race. Their attempt to enter did much towards assuring a race, and by their withdrawal much of the interest departed. As usual the thanks of the college are due Mr. Robinson for the aid which he has given. We

refer you to the account of the boat race elsewhere.

The time and occasion demand a few words of notice and comment concerning the nine and its management. The first and most evident fact that can be noticed, notwithstanding all remarks to the contrary, is that neither the nine nor the director have shunned a single game in any way whatever, but on the contrary that every endeavor has been made, and considerable money expended, to make games with other college nines. The reason then, why, at the time of present writing we have been able to witness but one game within the limits of the State, is due to entirely other causes than either unwillingness of the nine or mismanagement of the director; and the source of this stagnation is found entirely in the unwillingness of our neighboring nines, and in the unfavorable disposition of the weather. We fear that we have lost entire confidence in Bates College as a college devoted to base-ball, and can only say that we are very pained at the continual illness of her men and at her evident unwillingness to play. The game in Portland on Memorial Day was a disappointment. Attended by a good audience and well played by our nine, the game resulted in a heavy shower and thus ended the Harvard-Bowdoin game. With Colby we have witnessed one game in Brunswick, and this, with the exception of the games played upon the trip, is the only exploit of our base-ball nine. It is needless to urge any mismanagement or lack of energy in any direction either, as we said before, upon the nine or director, but to calmly wait until the weather god becomes propitious and until our nearest neighbor shall have recovered.

It is with great pleasure that the ORIENT notes the increasing desire of the college to spread its influence more widely, and to make

for itself a more stirring name throughout the college world. The results of our baseball trip are just apparent. Numerous colleges and college publications that formerly had believed Bowdoin somewhat inanimate have awakened thereby to an interest in our college, and to an evident knowledge of its existence. We labor under the disadvantage of isolation, but conscious of this there can be no reason why every possible means shall not be taken to lessen it.

The boat crew desire to be represented in a regatta. It is the duty of the college faculty and alumni to aid in the fulfillment of this desire, not because it will be a pleasant excursion, nor because the crew are certain to win laurels on the course, but because the world demands evidences of life before it acknowledges life, and because this is an excellent means of displaying activity. Sports are the door by which the student world steps out before the world in general, and while the college may be conscientious in its labor, may teach ably, rear well, and send forth able scholars, we believe that that college will fail in its highest aims, will be deficient in students which makes no endeavors in the world of college sports. We do not pretend to ascribe the sum total of college popularity to the prominence of sports, but do assert that a large part of it comes indirectly through the successes of the students in this direction. For this reason we are glad to see Bowdoin's activity on the increase. We may not win a game or a race, but in every attempt we acquire confidence, and as we step before the world gain no enemies and perhaps gain friends.

Entirely to plead for more frequent intercourse with *live* colleges are these remarks made, not to vindicate sporting matters, and in view of our boating interest to represent the advisability of being represented. Let us not become fossilized *this* summer at least, however much Brunswick may tend to this

result. On the contrary let us be alive and active, and when opportunity comes let us seize it to create more widely the healthy good opinion of our college.

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### IVY POEM.

W. O. PLIMPTON.

A motto, once it was my lot to hear,  
And thus it read, "Stick to your sphere."  
The question which we all would wish to know,—  
How far the limits of our sphere should go,—  
Can fain be answered by one mortal man,  
Or any dozen since the world began.  
The fact is, He who ruleth all things well,  
Has given each, a mind, his mind his to tell.  
So where you find two on one point agree,  
A discord next you will be sure to see.  
Let each one feel his individual task,  
To study self, and find where he may ask,  
Admission in the many walks of life,  
Beset alike by toil and rugged strife.  
But lest my friends, I'd seem to have known,  
That I would make the poet's sphere my own,  
I'll tell you frankly such is not my aim,  
For on the poet's honors I've no claim.  
"Then why," you ask, "attempt to play the part,  
When you, and all confess your lack of art."  
The explanation in these words are found,  
That after they had scanned the class all round,  
And none would take the honor for the pains,  
They said, "let confidence supply for brains."  
Such doubtful compliment must needs prevail,  
For, added they, "pray try, you can but fail."  
Persuaded thus, subservient to their will,  
Conceit had thought to wield the poet's quill.  
But practice and the theory face about,  
And hence, I saw for me but one way out.  
So, as the student, when with Greek perplexed,  
Looks round for aid, and scans his Harper's text,  
Or he who would his tired brain relieve,  
Tucks up the well wrought fukir in his sleeve,  
I sought by telephone the Muse to reach:  
"O Muse, divine! Thy aid I would beseech,"  
And quick as telephone dispatch can fly,  
The lovely fair haired Goddess made reply.

"Your just petition I must now refuse,  
But lest you'd think I willingly would abuse  
The prayers which mortals make, I will explain,  
That you may know of whom you should complain.  
I think, if observation serves you well,  
There is perhaps no need for me to tell  
How Cupid, with his well-directed darts,  
Has sought of late so many human hearts.  
Not only mortals has he put in love,  
But even Gods and Goddesses above.  
Such aim here on the hill he needs must take,  
Olympus, by the way, lest you mistake,  
That I'm engaged; and that's the reason why,  
With your request I dare not yet comply;  
For Goddesses engaged, should thou be true,



With students never flirt, as mortals do."  
 "O Muse! no flirt am I, besides its clear,  
 Apollo having seen me would not fear."  
 She angered that I thus should press my cause,  
 So dignified, made answer with a pause:  
 "With *his* consent, I will assist this once,  
 But never dare to ask again, you dunce."  
 I promised her commands I would obey,  
 So this is what she gave me for to-day:

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A LEGEND.

Somewhere afar, beyond the sea,—  
 Imagination roving free,—  
 There stands a castle, in whose mein  
 An ancient grandeur may be seen.  
 Its lofty turrets, towers tall,  
 Its courts, its battlements and wall,  
 In stern defiance upward rise,  
 High towards the blue ethereal skies.  
 The ground, with terrace, hedge, and lawn,  
 Though much of former beauty gone,  
 With gentle slope extends to meet  
 The river gliding at its feet,  
 Which bends its course, as if in fear  
 Of trespassing, perchance, too near,  
 And circling round in silent flow,  
 Soon hides itself in woodlands low.  
 Historic fancy paints to you  
 The palmier days these scenes once knew:  
 And where, within these vacant halls  
 Now oft-repeated echo calls,  
 Once kings in royal splendor dwelt,  
 Before whose thrones proud courtiers knelt.  
 From here brave knights, in armor strong,  
 Went forth to meet the hostile throng.  
 Here once the merry laugh was heard,  
 The festal song, the joyous word.  
 But now, in place of such glad sound,  
 A solemn stillness hovers round,  
 And slow decay has ruin cast  
 Upon the crumbling walls at last;  
 Yet beauty clothes the ruined scene,  
 By spreading o'er a mantle green  
 Of ancient ivy, sturdy grown,  
 From tempests round the castle moan.  
 Wherever Time, its havoc brings,  
 The ivy tendrils closer clings.  
 Its history I'd have you know,  
 And how it happened here to grow.  
 Turn back your thoughts to years gone by,  
 'Tis twilight's hour, and shadows lie  
 O'erspreading castle, field, and glade,  
 With here and there a deeper shade,  
 And all is tinged with mellow light,  
 While fading day foretells the night.  
 Within, you merry voices hear,  
 And soon a youth and maid appear;  
 Such grace and loveliness combined,  
 You'll scarce its rival ever find.  
 A lovely maiden princes, she,  
 A handsome, brave young knight was he.  
 They slowly forth together walk,  
 And both engage in merry talk.  
 While walking in an ivy dell,  
 Her wand'ring eyes, unconscious, fell  
 Upon a branch, torn from its place,

Which she broke with thoughtless grace.  
 They wandered on, as you have guessed,  
 And then returning, sought to rest  
 Themselves upon a rustic seat  
 Near castle wall, a glad retreat.  
 There, flourishing the branch a while,  
 She would his pensiveness beguile:  
 With all the carelessness of mirth,  
 She placed the ivy twig in earth,  
 And then, with girlish sort of whim  
 She turned her musing to him,  
 And asked him if he thought 'twould grow.  
 He said, with calm indifference, "No."  
 Nor even thought ambitious pride  
 Was in that ivy typified.  
 Just then appeared, above the trees,  
 The moon, and with it sprang a breeze;  
 Then starting up they went within,  
 And day was done, the night set in.

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Years passed away, the brave young knight  
 In other lands, with valiant might,  
 Sought glory in a victor's name;  
 Nor cared he for aught else but fame.  
 But while he climbed Fame's ladder tall,  
 The ivy climbed the castle wall,  
 The maiden princess older grown,  
 Now queenly law gave from her throne,  
 While all her subjects loved her well,  
 And of her goodness loved to tell.  
 The knight returned, his battles through,  
 And to the queen would homage do.  
 So, as he knelt in meekness there,  
 The queen recalled both when and where,  
 And what they said long years ago,  
 And how the ivy chanced to grow.  
 She then, with favor bending o'er,  
 Her blessings on his head to pour,  
 Bestowed on him—his brow beneath—  
 The garland of an ivy wreath.

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We plant *our* Ivy here to-day,  
 Not in the circumstantial way  
 The maiden did upon that eve,  
 But kindly feelings, we believe,  
 Towards classmates and the college, too,  
 Inspire us now this act to do.  
 And dearer still will be these scenes,  
 When we recall, than were the queen's.  
 Dear classmates, seek no knightly fame,  
 Nor any got through deeds of shame.  
 May all our deeds and thoughts as well,  
 With noble aspirations swell,  
 And higher fix a purpose true,  
 As grows the vine of *Eighty-two*.

PSI UPSILON CONVENTION.

The 48th annual convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity met at Chicago, May 18 and 19, with the Omega Chapter. The convention was called to order on the morning of

the 18th, at the Palmer House, the large club room and several rooms on the grand parlor floor being utilized for the session.

The convention proceedings occupied both morning and afternoon of both days. The public exercises were held on the evening of the 18th, at Central Music Hall, in the presence of a large and distinguished assembly of ladies and gentlemen. An excellent orchestra rendered some fine musical selections. Prof. Edward Olson, president of the North-Western Association of Alumni gave the address, and Hon. Albion H. Tourgee, the poet of the occasion, gave a fine poem on "Yesterday's Dream and Yesterday's Fact."

After the exercises, Hon. and Mrs. Perry H. Smith extended to the delegates, and other members of the Fraternity, a reception at their residence, one of the handsomest mansions in the city. A large number of young ladies graced the occasion with their presence, and dancing was indulged in until a late hour. Everything was conducted in an informal manner as possible, and a thoroughly good time was enjoyed by all present. The convention proceedings occupied both morning and afternoon of the next day. In the evening the banquet took place in the elegant and spacious dining hall of the Palmer House. The delegates will, in justice to Chicago, be likely to linger lovingly over the remembrance of the banquet which closed the session of this convention. The hall was adorned with floral favors, conspicuous among which was a splendid piece of workmanship bearing the badge of Psi U. It is unnecessary to remark upon the banquet. Suffice it to say it was in keeping with that magnificent style which characterizes the Palmer House. Fine music was dispersed by an excellent orchestra in attendance, and the frescoed ceilings rang with the songs of Psi. In short, the affair was a successful, happy, and creditable finale to the forty-eighth convention of Psi Upsilon.

#### ALPHA DELTA PHI.

The 49th annual convention of this fraternity met with the Brown University Chapter, Providence, R. I., Tuesday and Wednesday, May 24th and 25th. About 150 brethren were present, representing every chapter.

Tuesday morning was devoted to a preliminary business meeting. In the afternoon the visiting members, as guests of the Brunonian Chapter, proceeded down the bay by steamer to Silver Spring, where they partook of a genuine Rhode Island clam-bake.

A prolonged business session occupied Wednesday morning. The public exercises of the convention were held in the evening, in the Providence Opera House, before a large and brilliant audience. The stage and proscenium were handsomely decorated in honor of the occasion. In the absence, on account of sickness, of Hon. John Jay, the president of the fraternity, Hon Chas. S. Bradley presided. The speakers were: Pres. Thos. Chase, LL.D.; Rev. Edward H. Hall; Hon. Wm. W. Crapo, M.C.; and Edward Everett Hale, D.D. Reeves' Orchestra furnished music for the evening.

After the "Symposium" the fraternity and invited guests marched to Hotel Narragansett, where a sumptuous banquet was served. After the banquet, toasts and speeches were in order, and it was well into the morning before the brethren finally adjourned.

Letters of regret were read from Hon. John Jay and George William Curtis.

Next year the semi-centennial of the fraternity will be duly observed in New York City.

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#### MISS VESTA.

While pretty Miss Vesta  
Enjoys a siesta,  
Up fond Charlie slips  
And kisses her lips,  
But when she awakes  
And finds it no dream,  
Confession she makes  
She wished it *had* been.

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## IVY LEAVINGS.

Junior ease.

The white-wash brush is now active.

The boating men can now *smile* again.

Class Day invitations are for sale at 20 A. H.

Seniors are practicing for their "last chapel."

Only four men appeared in Dutch, after Ivy Day.

Quite a number of the '80 men were in town last week.

Many students are having their rooms photographed.

We can no longer give all the credit of midnight carousals to the Medics.

The pictures of '82's crew have been taken and can be obtained at Reed's.

June 4th, Professor Robinson gave an interesting lecture to the Juniors on the History of Chemistry.

The next reform movement should be the addition to the students' galleries of hymn books and—*spilt-tons*.

Singing on the campus has been revived to a small extent and sounds very pleasantly during the evening.

The boating association, by means of the late races, has the acquisition of several half-hogshead tubs to its *fleet*.

There has been a special attraction on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at the laboratory in the shape of a "cœd."

Wednesday, June 1st, Professor Ladd gave an address at the graduating exercises of the Bangor Theological Seminary.

The ivy slip came near being planted too deeply by the feet of the large company of friends gathered to witness the ceremony.

At the Chemistry examination some of the Juniors succeeded in finding, in pure sodium, quite a portion of all the known elements.

Lost—a comprehensive *fukir* on the next Psychology examination. A liberal reward is offered for its return to the *proper owner*.

The rustic seat at North Winthrop has been restored to a suitable condition to accommodate the chronic lassitude of that end.

Those appointed for the Junior Prize Declamation are as follows: Bates, Belcher, Carpenter, Gilman, Goodwin, Holway, Jordan, McCarthy, Moody, Pierce, Plimpton, and Stinchfield.

'84 has been developing its proficiency in baseball by several games with a crack yagger nine, and has met with *remarkable* success.

Student (not posted in the classics) to another—"Say let's get up a Greek play for Lemont Hall. I'll be Eddyphus and you be Tirranous."

At the closing exercises of the Medical School twenty-nine students received diplomas. In the absence of the President the usual address was not given.

The book on "What I Know About Rowing," that was to have been published by members of the Freshman class, has been postponed since the race until the beginning of another season.

The Freshmen have paid over fifty dollars towards their boat, and expect to collect the remainder this term. The Sophomores have still a balance of ten dollars standing against them on this account.

The "conundrum" propounded some time since on the bulletin-board in relation to base-ball games was possibly unjust to the nine, but is one nevertheless that we should like to see satisfactorily answered.

Our boat-house with its coat of paint and new flag and pole can no longer be mistaken, as it has been, for an ice house. It must be acknowledged by all to be a nice building for the purpose as we could wish.

It is desired that attention be called to the fact that recently one of the painted windows in the chapel south wing has been broken by a ball thrown through it. It scarcely need be said that such carelessness should be avoided in the future.

The recently discovered shell deposits at Goose Island have been visited by several members of the Faculty and some of the students. Many interesting specimens and old Indian relics have been discovered, showing that the place is well worth visiting.

May 25th the yaggers held special *field day* exercises on the campus near Maine Hall, the prominent feature of which were the go-as-you-please race and the boxing match. In both contests the "fourteenth amendment" was the winner and the favorite of the crowd.

Subscription papers are now the order of the day, and are being well responded to. It should be remembered, however, that the dues to the regular associations are somewhat behindhand and ought to be promptly settled before the end of the term. The Boating Association is especially in need of funds to pay for painting the boat-house.

The bell for Saturday evening lecture was mistaken by some for an invitation to partake of '81's field day cider, and several thirsty looking individuals might have been seen wandering thus early towards Appleton. At a later hour it was decided that '81 had lost none of its former hospitality in sharing its good things, and the enthusiasm of the festivities was only terminated with the speedy exhaustion of the *spirit* of the occasion.

At the Ivy Hop one of the musicians glancing into the dressing room, caught in the looking-glass the reflection of a scene that nearly overcame him. A beautiful young lady was seen to throw her arms about the neck of one of the gentlemen present, and implant on his lips several *osculatory* impressions in a most loving manner. Names are withheld *present*, but we would suggest that the wicked editors sometimes enjoy good cigars.

The Glee Club gave their proposed concert at Lewiston, May 31st. The entertainment was successful in every respect and well appreciated by a cultivated audience. On the following evening the program was repeated at Lisbon, but, though up to the mark in other respects, the latter affair was not a financial success. Among the other branches in which Bowdoin is represented out of town she need not be ashamed of her present musical talent.

The Boating Association held a meeting, June 6th, on the receipt, by the commodore, of several letters from Lake George in regard to an inter-collegiate race. It was voted to send a crew, if possible, and an invitation to represent the college was extended to the present Junior crew. Committees were appointed to obtain a suitable boat and to solicit subscriptions from the alumni and undergraduates. Considerable enthusiasm was manifested, and the success of the undertaking depends upon the progress of the work in the hands of the various committees.

#### IVY DAY EXERCISES.

The exercises of Friday afternoon, June 3, were entirely successful. The afternoon was all that could be asked for in the way of weather, and for the first time for some years the sunlight graced an Ivy Day with its presence. The sun therefore was shining brightly and the wind just rustling the leaves about the chapel door as the Junior class, with their marshal, W. A. Moody, marched into chapel.

The interior of the chapel presented a most beautiful appearance. The crowds of ladies, with their gay costumes, the assemblage of students, friends, and alumni, the music of the orchestra, and the sunlight streaming up the aisle from door and window, united to produce a most pleasing spectacle. The pulpit was tastily, even beautifully arranged. The drapery consisted of white and the Junior class color, and upon the white background in the lower left-hand corner were displayed the figures '82 beautifully wrought in scarlet azaleas. The programmes, which had been already distributed, were tasty and appropriate, consisting of an engraved cover tied with the class color of ribbon to the printed programme. Andrews' Orchestra of Bangor furnished music in a most satisfactory manner.

The exercises opened with a few words from the president, Mr. E. T. McCarthy, and then the class and congregation united with the chaplain in prayer. After the selection from the orchestra the president introduced the orator, Mr. G. H. Pierce. From the beginning Mr. Pierce's manner was pleasing, and every sentence increased the attention of the audience. The delivery was of the first order, clear, concise, eloquent. The subject of the oration was "The Incentive of Knowledge," and treated, as its name implies, the true life work of young men. The contest of to-day is not between labor and capital, but between men struggling for power. The contest is now sharpness against sharpness, craft against craft, intellect against intellect, and the aim of the oration was to present as vividly as possible how great this incentive now is, and how great it has ever been. It showed the tendencies which draw men to college, it showed the incentives which should cause them to labor actively while in college, and showed the demand which the world has a right to make upon college graduates. The oration is too lengthy to find a place in our columns, but we felt upon its delivery, as upon

a more careful consideration, that it was appropriate, ably delivered, and indicative of thought in the highest degree.

The poem, by W. O. Plimpton, has been the subject of much praise. It had been the general opinion that '82 was originally slighted by the muses. Mr. Plimpton's effort proves the contrary. That the audience were pleased is evident from the frequent applause which broke in upon his delivery, and throughout the kindest feelings on the part of the audience was manifested towards the poet. We feel like congratulating him both on the production and on the delivery, but are certain that we can add nothing to the praise that has already been bestowed upon the author, and suggest the perusal of the poem, which is published in another column.

With the close of the poem the class forming in the aisle, passed out, according to the custom with which the weather generally interferes, and seated upon the grass, with the wind softly somewhat coolly blowing by, and surrounded by an admiring audience, made the presentations. Mr. McCarthy was extremely happy in his remarks. He quite touchingly spoke to the recipients of their duties in receiving these gifts, and then presented the usual class honors. The presentations were as follows:

Moustache Cup, Best Moustache.....	G. F. Bates.
Arm Chair, Lazy Man .....	I. Stearns.
Looking-Glass, Handsome Man.....	E. U. Curtis.
Spade, Dig.....	J. F. Libby.
Spurs, Ponyist.....	E. R. Jewett.
Wooden Spoon, Popular Man.....	W. G. Reed.

The recipients were grateful, and replied by short speeches. Mr. Libby was somewhat lengthy, but finally finished, and then J. W. Crosby received the trowel, the badge of curator. Mr. Crosby's beaming countenance was never more wreathed in smiles. With a lucid remark concerning latent honor in this office of curator, he promised to faithfully keep the trowel, and with his parting bow turned towards the representative Ivy that was as yet

unplanted. The curator proceeded to plant the Ivy, the class assisting in the usual way, and then gathering around the "Ivy green" the class sang their class ode, and as the last notes died away the class of '82 separated, conscious that their Ivy Day was numbered with the past. Below we print the ode, composed by G. G. Weeks:

Dear classmates, as we gather round  
 Our Ivy planted here,  
 O let us feel that we are bound  
 By ties that are most dear.

We raise our voice to this small vine,  
 Which leans its tender head  
 Against the chapel's sacred wall,  
 With mother earth its bed.

O, sacred walls, O, sacred soil,  
 With hidden life replete,  
 Give to each bud from out thy breast  
 The rage of storms to meet.

And when the golden sands of Time  
 Shall run our numbers few,  
 Clothe in thy grace with silver leaves  
 The vine of Eighty-two.

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#### BOAT RACE.

Seldom has a larger or more good-natured crowd assembled in honor of our sports, than that which graced the banks of the Androscoggin on the afternoon of Thursday, June 2d, the occasion of the annual regatta of our navy. Lowering clouds and roughened water gave little hopes of their witnessing the race, and after a long period of uncertainty, on the announcement of the postponement of the race until 6.30 on the following morning, the crowd dispersed. Previous to this interesting and closely contested contest, a tub race and swimming match furnished no little amusement. The former was won by Bascom, '83, the latter by Collins, '83. The garments worn in these contests were certainly not patterned after the latest fashion, though they may have been in a high degree true to nature.

The water the next morning, while vastly superior to that of the preceding evening,

was not the most perfect racing water. The crowd, for this early hour, was not inconsiderable, and it was rewarded by a highly interesting race on the part of two of the crews at least. But little enthusiasm was manifested, the first position being a foregone conclusion, and, so far as the Juniors were concerned, the race was simply an attempt to make a record. The rivalry between the two other crews was intense, and it was an open question as to the winner.

The race was started precisely at 6.30, with the Juniors on the Topsham side, while the Sophomores held the middle. The start was as even and as pretty as it has ever been our good fortune to witness, '82 and '84 gaining, perhaps, a slight advantage in this respect. The Juniors, however, in a few strokes began to draw away, and at the point had a perceptible lead, and when at the head of the island had placed a boat's length between themselves and the rear crews.

The Sophomores soon overcame the slight lead which the Freshmen had obtained at starting, and for some distance the race was rowed with no perceptible advantage to either crew.

The Juniors turned the island in sight in 9 minutes 10 seconds, being a much longer time than usual, owing to the incoming tide. The Sophomores followed 35 seconds later, closely pressed by the Freshmen. From this point home the race was a beautiful contest between the two hind crews, spurt following spurt, while the Juniors, maintaining the long sweeping stroke which is characteristic of them, crossed the line in 19 minutes 9 seconds, closing with a tremendous burst of speed. The Sophomores finished in 19 minutes 57 seconds; the Freshmen in 20 minutes 12 seconds.

The race is noticeable for the low records obtained by all the crews, and it is doubted if any preceding race can show such an average. The Juniors are to be congratulated on the

result, which, with the single exception of the class of '78, has never yet been beaten by any class crew. Their achievement shows the result of earnest, conscientious work, and had the race been rowed at a more favorable time of day, and against more evenly matched crews, the time, doubtless, would have been still more creditable. It is worthy of note that the boat in which they rowed is the one in which '78 made its famous record.

Following is the crew :

Capt. W. G. Reed, No. 2 .....	155 lbs.
W. G. Moody, No. 3 .....	160 lbs.
E. U. Curtis, Bow .....	155 lbs.
W. O. Plimpton, Stroke .....	160 lbs.
A. G. Staples, Coxswain .....	110 lbs.

The record made by the Sophomores was certainly remarkable under the circumstances, and one for which they deserve no slight praise. The manner in which they had been pulling previous to the race certainly gave no promise of such a performance. It was a general belief that they would fall victims to the Freshmen, as they certainly were pulling with much less grace and finish than the latter. We hope this defeat will not dampen the ardor of '84 in supporting a crew which gives such promise of better performance in the future.

The regatta, as a whole, must be voted a success, although lacking in great enthusiasm, and although materially injured by the unfortunate circumstances which necessitated the absence of one of the crews.

#### FIELD DAY.

In spite of the unpropitious indications, Field Day never was more agreeable in respect to the weather. The large crowd gathered early, and was in season for the first contests, while the nuisance of several years past, caused by teams driving over the track and cutting up the ground, was in a great measure avoided. The present exercises were not so tedious as the last, and seemingly gave

much better satisfaction and more pleasure to visitors.

In regard to the separate contests there was not the desirable amount of competition, but the records were, in the most cases, good and compare favorably with those of last year. The introduction of bicycles was something novel, but there was evidently no *race* in this respect, and the time made should have been much better.

If all parties entering their names on the order of exercises would appear in the actual contest, we should have a Field Day that would surprise ourselves, and place our records on a better level with other colleges.

The money taken at the gate amounts to something over fifty dollars, and more than covers the cost of the various prizes.

The order of exercises, and successful competitors, was as given below:

1. Mile-Run, Carpenter, '82, 5 minutes 27 seconds.
2. Standing High Jump, Goodwin, '82, 4 feet 2 inches.
3. Running High Jump, H. L. Johnson, '81, 4 feet 6 inches.
4. Putting Shot, Walker, '81, 19 feet.
5. 100-Yards Dash, Haggerty, '81, 10½ seconds.
6. Running Broad Jump, H. L. Johnson, '81, 15.4½ feet.
7. Hop, Skip, and Jump, Haggerty, '81, 35.6 feet.
8. Mile Walk, Achorn, '81, 9 minutes 4 seconds.
9. 220-Yards Dash, Sewall, '83, 27½ seconds.
10. Throwing Base-Ball, Nichols, '81, 311.8 feet.
11. Standing Broad Jump, Goodwin, '82, 11 feet.
12. Half-Mile Run, Payson, '81, 2 minutes 18 seconds.
13. Throwing Hammer, Plimpton, '82, 52.3 feet.
14. Hurdle Race, H. L. Johnson, '81, 15½ seconds.
15. Three-Legged Race, Smith and Haggerty, 14 seconds.
16. 100-Yards Dash Backwards, Payson, '81, 16 seconds.
17. Bicycle Race, Sewall, '83, 2 minutes 14 seconds.
18. Potato Race, Chamberlin, '81.
19. Tug of War, Class of '81.

## BASE-BALL.

The game in Portland, Memorial Day, resulted in a score of 4 to 0 in favor of Harvard, at the end of the fourth innings. It is impossible to judge of the result of the game by this. Our nine was playing an excellent game notwithstanding the change in position of the players, as is evident by Harvard's score, and had not the rain come as it did we are quite certain that the result would not have been discreditable to our nine. The park was crowded, but the proceeds were insufficient to meet expenses.

### *Bowdoin 7, Colby 5.*

The game with Colby was played on Wednesday, June 1st, after being once or twice postponed. The delta was quite crowded, and the game opened at 4.45 with Bowdoin at the bat. The first inning resulted in a blank for Bowdoin, while Colby, by base hits and an error of our nine, were credited with a run. This was their only run until the sixth inning, the men in the meantime disappearing in order, for the most part on easy flies to the in-field. In the sixth, by an error of ours and sharp hits, they made one run, and in the ninth, by a combination of lucky hits assisted by a bad error at third, sent in three men over the home plate, making a total of five runs. For our side Wilson carried off the honors in batting by his three baser to the left field, and Stetson and Haggerty by their singles. Knapp played an excellent game at first, considering his lameness, and Snow's catching was faultless. The game throughout was under the control of our nine, and the only slip-up was the three runs which Colby put in in their last inning. The game was played in the quite unusual time of one hour and twenty-six minutes, and was most interesting throughout. The umpiring was entirely satisfactory. It is noteworthy as being the first game of the season, played by our nine within the State.

Appended is the score :

BOWDOINS.					COLBYS.					
AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	
Wilson, p.	5	2	4	2	5	0	2	2	8	0
Rogers, 2b.	5	1	1	3	4	0	0	0	1	7
Gardner, 3b.	5	0	0	5	0	2	1	1	7	4
Snow, c.	5	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	6	3
Smith, i. f.	5	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	3	1
Wright, s. s.	4	0	1	0	3	1	0	1	0	1
Knapp, lb.	4	1	1	1	10	2	0	0	1	2
Haggerty, c. f.	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Stetson, r. f.	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	40	7	9	11	27	15	4	—	—	—

BOWDOINS.					COLBYS.					
AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	
Wilson, p.	5	2	4	2	5	0	2	2	8	0
Rogers, 2b.	5	1	1	3	4	0	0	0	1	7
Gardner, 3b.	5	0	0	5	0	2	1	1	7	4
Snow, c.	5	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	6	3
Smith, i. f.	5	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	3	1
Wright, s. s.	4	0	1	0	3	1	0	1	0	1
Knapp, lb.	4	1	1	1	10	2	0	0	1	2
Haggerty, c. f.	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Stetson, r. f.	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	40	7	9	11	27	15	4	—	—	—

Three-base hit—Wilson; Two-base hit—Wright. First base on errors—Bowdoin, 8; Colbys, 4. Base on called balls—Bowdoin, 1. Struck out—Bowdoin, 3; Colbys, 2. Balls called—on Wilson, 30; on Marshall, 57. Strikes called—on Wilson, 4; on Marshall, 15. Wild pitches—Marshall, 2. Passed balls—Snow, 0; Doe, 2. Time of game—1 hour 26 minutes. Umpire—J. E. Walker, Bowdoin, '81.

Colby 15, Bowdoin 5.

The game at Waterville, Wednesday, June 8th, resulted very discreditably to our nine. It was a game of errors and poor batting on our side, and illustrates forcibly the chances of base-ball. The appended score is very suggestive :

COLBYS.					BOWDOINS.					
AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	
Worcester, 1b.	8	2	2	14	1	2	—	—	—	—
Doe, c.	5	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	1	4
Andrews, c. f.	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Marshall, p.	5	0	2	3	7	2	—	—	—	—
Wright, r. f.	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
McClure, s. s.	4	2	1	1	3	2	—	—	—	—
Garland, 3b.	5	1	2	4	2	0	—	—	—	—
Lerd, i. f.	5	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Watsworth, 2b.	5	4	3	3	2	1	2	—	—	—
Totals	45	15	17	17	27	14	9	—	—	—

COLBYS.					BOWDOINS.					
AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	
Worcester, 1b.	8	2	2	14	1	2	—	—	—	—
Doe, c.	5	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	1	4
Andrews, c. f.	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Marshall, p.	5	0	2	3	7	2	—	—	—	—
Wright, r. f.	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
McClure, s. s.	4	2	1	1	3	2	—	—	—	—
Garland, 3b.	5	1	2	4	2	0	—	—	—	—
Lerd, i. f.	5	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Watsworth, 2b.	5	4	3	3	2	1	2	—	—	—
Totals	45	15	17	17	27	14	9	—	—	—

1st base on called balls—Bowdoin, 1; Colby, 1. Wild pitch—Wilson. Struck out—Bowdoin, 2; Colby, 2. Balls called—on Wilson, 33; on Marshall, 42. Strikes called—on Wilson, 6; on Marshall, 8. Passed balls—Snow, 5; Doe, 4. Time of game, 1 hour 40 minutes. Umpire—W. S. Bosworth.

Bowdoin 18, Orono 5.

Rarely has a worse exhibition of base-ball been witnessed on the college grounds than the game of Thursday, June 9th. The record of the Oronos had raised expectations of a well contested game. We were disappointed, however. The game was an exhibition of poor playing, with very few redeeming errors. It was chiefly interesting as the first appearance of Wright as a pitcher. The batting of the Bowdoin was heavy, and their fielding extremely poor. The score follows :

BOWDOINS.					ORONOS.					
AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	AB.	R.	1B.	TB.	P.O. A. E.	
Wilson, p.	5	3	2	2	6	3	—	—	—	—
Rogers, 2b.	5	3	2	2	3	2	—	—	—	—
Gardner, 3b.	6	1	1	6	3	2	—	—	—	—
Snow, c. f.	6	2	3	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Smith, i. f.	6	2	2	3	2	0	—	—	—	—
Wright, s. s.	5	3	3	4	1	5	1	0	0	7
Koapp, c. b.	5	0	2	2	3	5	5	0	0	4
Haggerty, lb.	5	3	0	11	2	0	—	—	—	—
Stetson, r. f.	5	1	1	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Totals	49	18	16	18	27	24	15	—	—	—

Bowdoin..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
Orono..... 1 0 0 1 0 2 0 1 0—5

Two-base hits—Smith, 1; Wright, 1. 1st base on called balls—Bowdoin, 1. Wild pitches—Wright, 1; Snow, 2. Struck out—Bowdoin, 3; Orono, 1. 1st base on errors—Bowdoin, 12; Orono, 9. Balls called—On Wilson, 55; on Snow, 78. Strikes called—on Wilson, 10; on Snow, 6. Passed balls—Koapp, 3; Murray, 5. Time of game—1 hour 50 minutes. Umpire—J. E. Walker.

PERSONAL.

- [We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]
- '27.—John H. Hillard died in Oldtown a few weeks since.
  - '33.—President Allen, of Girard College, is one of the Board of Visitors to the Naval Academy.
  - '34.—The late Prof. Henry B. Smith, of New York, was one of the Revisors of the New Testament.
  - '40.—Ezra Abbot, of Harvard, was also one of the Revisors of the New Testament.
  - '44.—Major John W. Goodwin is prominent in developing railroads and other improvements in Texas.
  - '55.—Gen. B. B. Foster is Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association, New York City.
  - '61.—Abram Maxwell is in the service of the American Home Missionary Society, at Donpe City, Nebraska.
  - '62.—Samuel P. Dame is a Druggist in Sharon, Pa.
  - '63.—A. R. G. Smith, M.D., is practicing in Whitefield.
  - '66.—Charles A. Boardman is Land Agent for a railroad now in progress in Florida. He resides in Palatka, Florida.
  - '66.—Ezekiel H. Cook is engaged in mining at Teucon, Arizona.
  - '66.—S. B. Carter is President of the Young Men's Christian Association of Newburyport, and was delegate to the recent National Convention of Associations at Cleveland, Ohio.
  - '66.—H. B. Lawrence is Principal of the Appleton Street School, Holyoke, Mass.



## CLIPPINGS.

'69.—Thomas H. Eaton is a banker in Iowa.

'69.—H. B. Quinby, M.D., is stationed in Missouri, as Agent for the War Department, U. S.

'69.—Geo. F. Mosher, Esq., editor of the *Morning Star*, at Dover, N. H., has been appointed Consul at Nice, France. He is a native of Kennebec County. He leaves this country for Nice sometime this summer to assume his duties.

'70.—D. S. Alexander, of Indiana, has been appointed Fifth Auditor of the Treasury.

'73.—George E. Hughes delivered the Memorial Address at Bath, May 30th.

'76.—Charles Andrews recently graduated from the San Francisco Law School.

## COLLEGE WORLD.

## YALE.

The "Annuals" extend from Tuesday, June 7th, to Thursday, June 23d.

The following is from the BOWDOIN ORIENT: "The Yale Sophomores are to exhibit the 'Media' of Emihuler. It will doubtless be a success." Emihuler for Euripides is the most extraordinary misprint we have ever seen, though it is more natural than it has the appearance of being.—*Yale Record*.

We think that if the editor who wrote the above had been aware of the mental agony we suffered on account of those errors of our printer, he would not have resurrected them from the oblivion into which we had begun to hope they had fallen.

The burlesque of the Medea was a success. The hall was filled by a very select audience. The play, in which the hero, Jason, is a member of the Yale crew on a trip to England, was full of witticisms. One gentleman who played a female part, was so fortunate as to procure a costume formerly worn by Sarah Bernhardt. Airs from many of the comic operas were introduced. The proceeds, about three hundred dollars, were given to the Athletic Association for the Athletic Grounds.

## UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN:

Prof Tyler has accepted a professorship in Cornell, and will leave Ann Arbor at the end of this year. He is highly esteemed and his loss will be greatly felt by every one. His reasons for leaving are that his salary is to be increased from \$2,200 to \$2,800, that the Cornell library offers great advantages for the pursuit of the studies to which he has devoted himself, and that he will have there more leisure for his chosen work.

Scene on Washington Street: Conceited Sophomore sporting a cane and moustache. First Small Boy (on opposite corner)—"What is it, Bob?" Second Small Boy—"Give it up; gimme a stick till I kill it."

Told by Cuckoo: Not long ago an elderly gentleman made an afternoon call, and kissed the daughter of the house, a little miss of five years. "You must not do that," said the child, struggling, "I am a respectable married woman!" "What do you mean, my dear?" asked the astonished visitor. "Oh, that's what mamma always says when gentlemen kiss her."

Sophomore (to a group of Freshmen)—"Did you hear about the Senior who got shot?" Freshmen (all at once)—"No! Who? Where? When?" Sophomore—"O, he got it over at the city, at ten cents a pound; he's going duck-shooting.—*Ex.*"

## EDITORS' TABLE.

It seems to be the favorite resort of many of the exchange editors whose papers we receive, to fill up their space by general remarks on the worthlessness of college papers. This shows, more than anything else, the negligence of the editors who indulge in such observations. Of course if an exchange editor allows the papers to accumulate, mostly unopened, on his table, and does not examine them until the night before his paper goes to press, he cannot appreciate the value there is in them and the real labor that has been put upon many of them. We find the only way to keep account of what is going on in the college world, and in any way clearly esteem whatever of literary merit may be offered, is to look over every thing as soon as possible after it comes, when there is some freshness and novelty about it. Thus we find that what, if neglected, might prove a burden, becomes a source of profit and pleasure.

That reminder of old Revolutionary Times, the *Washington Jeffersonian*, gives the ORIENT a very good puff, but complains of the lack of literary articles. We think that our subscribers are better satisfied with such paragraphs on college affairs as we give, than with such articles on the "Jesuits" and "Disraeli" as filled the last number of the *Washington Jeffersonian*. We value good literary articles as much as any one, but never give encouragement to the writing on what has been treated in a much better way before. We leave such subjects to prize essay-

ists and the ambitious editors of the smaller western colleges.

We are glad to welcome a new venture upon the perilous sea of college journalism, and right heartily reply to the jovial "Ship Ahoy" of the *Argo*, Vol I., No. 1, hailing from Williams College. This paper is most appropriately named and shows that it has at its helm, able and experienced hands. We were at first sight struck by its resemblance to the *Acta*, in style and get up, and its purpose to set forth in its salutatory as somewhat similar, namely, as devoting itself to light, readable literature to the exclusion of the heavy articles which weigh down so many of our exchanges. We have no doubt but what it will succeed. In charge of the exchange department we recognize the genial Ephraim, the former exchange editor of the *Athenaeum*. Of course there will be some rivalry between the *Argo* and the long-established *Athenaeum*, but we hope that it may be of the healthy kind which will be advantageous to both instead of diverting them from their true aims to unseemly quarrelings.

The last number of the *Yale Lit.* is good as ever. It contains a pleasing variety of good articles. "Why We Fail" says it is from a lack of earnestness and enthusiasm, and that the decrease in this is especially evident in recent college life. "The Capture of the Esmeralda" is a graphically written account on an exciting naval incident in the struggle of Chili to rid herself of the Spanish domination. No. II., of "Yale Men of Letters," treats of Donald G. Mitchell, the writer of the exquisite but dreamy and monotonous "Reveries of a Bachelor." The writer is no eulogist, and does not claim too high a place in literature for this son of Yale. The other departments are remarkably good. The Editors' Table begins with this so egotistic declaration that of course it is intended to be humorous: "Our 'Table' this month is inferior in quality to the one in the April issue, for there we were obliged to be original, not having purchased a pair of scissors. We are now possessed of a good pair, to which fact this 'Table' bears witness." Not very complimentary to the *Lit.'s* exchanges although the hated *Acta* is not now among them.

We have lately received a copy of the last ORIENT which returned after long wanderings. By some mistake it was directed to Cambridge, Miss., and after devious roamings it came back, wrinkled, soiled, and with torn wrapper, with "No such office in State named," stamped upon it. We are grievously tempted to compare it to the Prodigal Son, but lest you may imagine we are from Oberlin we desist.

## REVIEWS.

We have received a copy of the latest publication of the Society for Political Education, "Political Economy and Political Science," a practical and classified list of books on political, social, and economic subjects, so arranged that the reader can at once select the best elementary books from the more authoritative and extended works. This list was prepared by Prof. Sumner, of Yale College, for the use of his classes, but has been enlarged to meet the wants of the society. It is a valuable book for reference, and ought to be in the hands of every Senior. This society was founded by the leading authorities, on such subjects, in the nation. Its members are of different political parties, and from all sections of the country. No one will deny that there is a great and growing need for such instruction, and the society will do a great service to the country if it is successful in its aims. Orders for this and the other publications of the society, may be addressed to Messrs. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 27 and 29 West 23d Street, New York.

We have received specimen pages of a work entitled "The Dictionary of Education and Instruction." This work is an abridgment of a Cyclopaedia of Education, the principal parts of which it is to contain in a convenient form. This smaller work will be of essential service to teachers, both in private and public schools, for study as well as for reference. We would recommend it to those of our students who intend to teach at any time during their course. Printed and bound in superior style, it will be issued during this month, at the low price of \$1.50. E. Steiger & Co., New York, are the publishers.

We have received from L. H. Rogers, of New York, a "Bird's-Eye View of the English Language." Something which will be a great labor saver for every writer. The sheet is 22x28 inches, and contains more information for those who write letters, than we ever saw or thought could be arranged on one sheet. The first part contains rules for spelling and punctuation, also rules for using capital letters and letter writing. Next is a bird's-eye view of the correct spelling of 25,000 words. Every word is before you at a single glance, and is easily found by a system of indexing, that is wonderfully full and complete. There is also a bird's-eye view of 20,000 synonyms which is of great assistance to writers. The sheet can be used to good advantage by every one who writes the English language. Price 25 cents each, or five for \$1.00. The sheets are sent by mail, postage prepaid, by the publisher, L. H. Rogers, 75 Maiden Lane, New York City.

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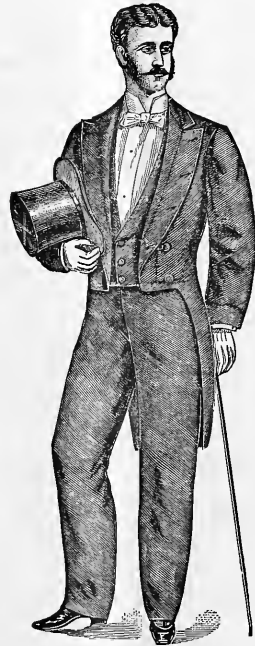
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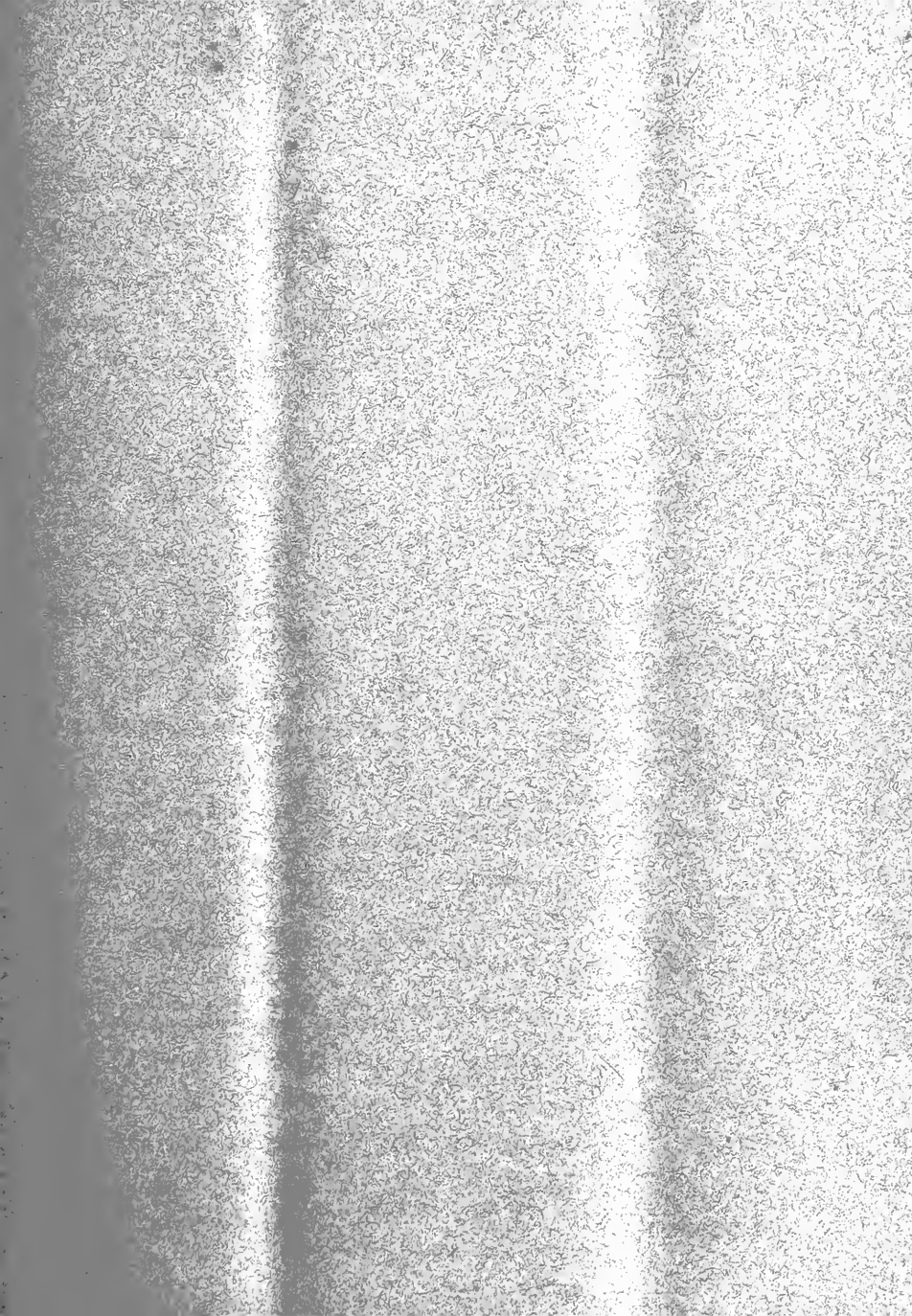
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The next number will be delayed till after Commencement, in order to give a reasonably full account of Commencement exercises. Those desiring Commencement numbers mailed should leave their addresses with the business editor.

We publish elsewhere lists of the classes of '76 and '77. We are indebted to them for the kindness of two of our alumni. If the alumni would better appreciate the aid they could give the paper, and the interest they

could awaken in the personal column by sending in items, we are certain that more contributions of this nature would be made.

If there is any one thing that this college needs more than others it is a gymnasium. The coming Commencement will undoubtedly see measures taken towards the erection of such a building. The proverbial slowness in the completion of college buildings, makes us doubtful of ever beholding it, but we fondly hope that this may prove an exception. It is absurd to think of conducting exercises out of doors after cold weather sets in in the fall, or in fact at any time, and a college without a gymnasium is lacking in an essential quality. We hope that a much better gymnasium than Bowdoin ever knew will step in during vacation to fill the wants of the students.

The last notes from the field of battle as we go to press, are the warlike accents of a crowd of Physics-hating Juniors assembled to repel the march of the invader. A notice has been posted requiring the above class to review Physics—a hitherto unknown requirement. At the present time the class are feeling bad. We hope a compromise of advantage to both parties may be made.

Our musical ability, recognizing the great dearth of musical noises in and about college, has organized itself into a band. We heard it the other noon at its first rehearsal and came away awe struck. We would encourage such an earnest organization. We truly hope, as one of its members said, that "It is a thing that will live." We believe him. It really appears healthy. It will never die of lack of

breath, and with such determination and wind, will, we doubt not, win a high niche in the temple of fame. We need a band, and, since they are provided with instruments, see no prospect but that we shall have one. There is only one dark side to the picture, and that is that this organization must rehearse, and we know what it does when it rehearses. Offering every encouragement, hoping that in time they may succeed in wafting translucent strains of heavenly symphony on every evening breeze, we humbly suggest that they build a band hall on the road to Harpswell, and almost down to Harpswell.

Columbia has had a slight trouble because a member of the choir sung out of tune. Just think of it! A member of a college choir perhaps suspended for singing a false note and thereby disturbing the equanimity of the morning exercises. If any of our readers, who listen to the oratorios which our choir render every morning, should discover any discrepancy we beg them to keep it dark. We should soon have no choir, and the confines of Lisbon alone would be broken by the plaintive music of our college sings. A great duty rests upon us. We must bear and forbear, and trust in a merciful providence that the divine spirit of music abides forever with our choir, or that our undergraduates may not acquaint our Faculty with the fault of cracked voices and faltering tunes.

At the time of the present writing nothing apparently is more lifeless than base-ball. Not a game has been played for more than a week. If the fault rests upon our side it should be remedied, if it is entirely to be ascribed to our rivals in the field it is without remedy. There should not be an occasion lost which might be used for a game. Why, is most apparent. Students like to get their money's worth. They ought not to, perhaps, but it is a fact that they do, and it is painfully evident

that sometimes even patriotism will not draw a subscription when there is no likelihood of obtaining amusement therefrom. The term is slipping gradually away, and we have seen up to the present two games.

Next year, when the subscription paper is passed, the remark will be made in a grumbling way, "I'm not going to spend money and not see any games." We hope we are mistaken in the general tenor of these remarks, and are willing to believe that the nine is unfortunate in making matches, and, perhaps, even before the ORIENT sees you the nine will have braced. We hope so.

Every one is desirous to know just how our boating fares. A boating man makes the remark that the college is inclined to growl. Last year he says the college growled because the Boating Association was not represented in the Lake George Regatta this year, because there is as yet no race settled. We think him mistaken. The college is not inclined to growl; the desire of the students is to find an occasion to express the faith which they have in our boating material. The ease rests like this. The college has received communications from the Lake George Association, to the effect that endeavors would be made to arrange a race, and inviting Bowdoin to participate. In view of this the college has made preparations, has obtained a new shell, has put a crew into training, and has endeavored to obtain sufficient funds, and here the ease rests. If the Lake George Association arranges a race, Bowdoin will enter, if not, the crew must stay at home. It is pleasant to notice that the college for once in her life is ready, and this readiness is due to the activity of the committees. Finances are open to encouragement, and a stricter training of the crew will undoubtedly go into operation as soon as a race is assured. Further than this nothing can be done. For the college to extend challenges would be impolitic,

since it was only by the desire of the Lake George Committee that the affair was started, and because we are not sufficiently old in the business. The most that we can do is to wait for further developments, and hope earnestly that occasion may be given our crew to try its muscle with other colleges.

The bare line of empty seats in chapel, the absence of familiar faces, calls to mind every morning how, on June 17, to the familiar tune of Auld Lang Syne, the Seniors marched out the open chapel door. It was an impressive sight and a solemn occasion, and as they marched out for the last time we doubt not but that many of the class regretted many things, chief of which the close of a four years' companionship. We could but feel sad to witness '81's last chapel, for various reasons, chief of which the departure of so many friends. Between '81 and '82 no one can deny but that the most pleasant feelings exist. Three years ago, in the shadows of '82's Freshman life, with tender, motherly hand, '81 reared them well, caring for their health, preventing their too late study at night, and ever cheering them through the shadow of the dark valley by words of brotherly love. To-day the Junior class, and we say it soberly, hold the most kindly feelings towards the departing Seniors. It should be the aim of '82 to make as good Seniors as '81 has made, and in stepping into her place the Junior class must feel that it has an important place to fill. The class of '81 has the best wishes of every one—has marked a course, loyal, devoted, true to every college interest, not addicted to any section of college work, it has stood high in study and given sports a push that will require determined effort on the part of the remaining classes to sustain. We are not inclined to eulogize. '81 is bashful and modest, but evident worth demands praise, and we can say heartily for the college, that as '81 marched out from the chapel, it was the

honest opinion of all that one of the best classes that Bowdoin ever saw had left its place of worship. We are in no hurry to preach a funeral oration. We are not inclined to bury you, gentlemen of '81, before you cease to exist. Our desire is to bid you a good-bye in season, and, as the *Courant* touchingly observes to its Seniors, express our determination "that it shall be our aim to make as good Seniors as you have been, and that we shall try hard to fill your shoes—no reflection upon the relative magnitude of pedal extremities being intended,"—and that finally we wish you every success in life, smiling homes, peace and plenty without stint, a life as happy and fruitful as has been your college life, and a final home where you deserve.

We are glad to see so active an interest manifested in preparing for the Junior and Sophomore Prize Declamation, by those who are to take part. The interest is due not only to the generous rivalry for the prizes, but also to the fine instructions in elocution, which they are now receiving from Prof. Bloch. The college is very fortunate in securing his services. He is among the best in his department. Prof. Bloch teaches not only a clear articulation and good emphasis, but aims, also, to make the student enter into the spirit of his piece. The necessity of good instruction in this branch is most keenly impressed upon us when we listen to many of our clergymen and public speakers. We are sorry that only those who are appointed for these exhibitions are to receive instructions. We hope in another year a longer course may be arranged and that all may receive its benefits.

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#### EVENING PRAYERS IN THE CHAPEL.

JUNE 17, 1881.

"My son, forget not"—reading thus begun  
 The teacher of us all, and then the prayer  
 He lifted, in the hushed and hallowed air,  
 For blessing on the work that had been done.

It seemed as if he said, "Thy feet must run  
Hence to the goal through dangers everywhere:  
Honor and wisdom and the Tempter's snare,  
The journey's end, forget thou not, my son."  
Ah! as you watched the western splendor fall  
Earthward that night, and fill the open door,  
And Christ anew transfigure on the wall,  
You sorrowed in your hearts, revolving o'er  
So many memories; but, most of all,  
That you should see each other's face no more.

S. V. COLE.

### WALT WHITMAN.

Among the living characters of American literature, perhaps none challenges our admiration in one particular more than Walt Whitman. He is independent. In meeting the severe realities of life when first he started out upon the path which he has been slowly, yet vigorously pursuing, he became aware that the prime requisite of success, to one of his temperament and design, is independence. In early manhood he laid out his course, and in doing this it was his greatest desire and chief aim to allow not even the semblance of imitation: it began from no one's point of view but his own; it ran through depths never trodden by man before; its anticipated end is that which no other author ever attempted to gain, except it be the end of the highest human good.

Whitman is a poet, a master of poetic thought, but not a master of rhythm and symmetry; yet none, however critical, and however ragged and irregular his lines may appear, will deny to him a prominent place among the "makers of verse" in America. In education he was somewhat deficient in branches, a knowledge of which is demanded of the popular poet, but popularity was unthought of. His training was seemingly his own, begun and carried out according to his own "sweet will." By dint of hard labor he acquired, among the hills of his nativity, such understanding as could be gleaned from the rude books at his command; but during all these years, when the dream of ambition had faintly flitted across the quiet field of exist-

ence, now sparkling in the glowing brilliancy of morning, nature made him her child and communicated to him all her secrets. From her he learned that rigid morality which has so stamped itself upon his life; from her was received that striking individuality which we find so impressed upon every line of his poetry; and finally from her was communicated that sense of grandeur which, perhaps, too often supplies the place of the beautiful.

The life of Walt Whitman, for the most part, has been that of a recluse; yet is he not a misanthropist. Far from it,—his sympathies for man, even in the lowest state of society, are deep and far-reaching; and it is this that has often led him to portray, in that peculiarly irregular meter, the conditions of life in its lowest forms; and, too, it is this that has prompted him to deal with social questions of a somewhat indelicate nature, calling forth from delicately constituted critics, many adverse criticisms of his subject matter. True this adversity may be honest and well-founded, but we must concede that the poet is honest and his material substantial.

However, passing by all questionable characteristics of his productions, let us consider him as he appears in the work, acknowledged to be his best, "Drum Taps." In this little volume of poems, there is exhibited the tenderest sympathy, the most pathetic touch, and the loftiest conception of duty to man and God. Those scenes of the battle-field, with all its sadness and horror, of the hospital filled with dead and dying, of the home darkened by the sorrowful intelligence of a departed hero, cannot fail to excite our inmost feelings. Who can read the "Dirge for Two Veterans" without feeling that there is something therein that takes the place of rhythm and symmetry? Who is there that can follow the news of the fallen son from the fierce conflict to where the quiet family dream ever of peace to come, without experiencing that animation which true poetry alone can awaken?

"O strong dead-march you please me!  
O, moon immense, with your silvery face you sooth  
me!

O my soldiers twain! O my veterans passing to  
burial!

What I have I also give you.

"The moon gives you light  
And the bugles and drums give you music:  
And my heart, O, my soldiers, my veterans,  
My heart gives you love."

It is in these pictures that we see the poet  
at his best, and we observe indistinctly, but  
surely, a background unsurpassed in poetic  
magnificence.

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is preserved throughout, the principal fault in the  
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#### CHAPTER I.

It was a beautiful morning in early June  
(further date immaterial), when two young  
men might have been seen wending their  
weary way through the sand heaps of B.  
Their appearance was striking,—of stately  
mien, scholastic brow, and soiled shirt front,  
whereon glistened what seemed like gleaming  
diamonds, but which, on nearer approach,  
proved to be but beer stains. The deep re-  
verberating tone of the iron-tongued sleep dis-  
peller was silent, and sweet slumber reigned

supreme in Bowdoin's classic halls. Above  
the majestic Androscoggin old Sol slowly,  
calmly, and steadily was lifting his glowing  
phiz and wiping away the trickling river mud  
from off his face. The proverbial early bird  
had left the paternal nest and gone in quest  
of the festive worm, which, grown world wise  
from experience, slowly wriggled into its hole  
and whispered defiantly, "I am here."

And the young men moved on.

#### CHAPTER II.

It was indeed a lovely pastoral scene. A  
summer evening in Topsham. Old Sol, weary  
and foot sore, had laid aside his dusty shoes,  
and, with a self-satisfied air, was slowly sink-  
ing from view to his nightly carousals. The  
barking of the house-dog, the crowing of the  
cock, the lowing of the homeward driven  
kine, blending with the intermittent yelling  
of quarrelsome yaggers, formed a pleasing aid  
to nature's beauty; while the sizzling of fry-  
ing pork, wafted along the evening air, struck  
gratefully upon the nostrils of two travelers  
seen in the distance. Two milkmaids, busily  
plying their vocation, gaze eagerly and curi-  
ously at the approaching forms, while we,  
attracted by the air, an indescribable some-  
thing, of the watching maids, are struck by  
the conviction that they are beneath their  
station, that they are of patrician blood.  
*Can there be a mystery?* But we, like they,  
are awakened from our enraptured gazing by  
a voice within, and they disappear, their voices  
dying away on the evening air, while the  
neighboring hills with sad refrain re-echo,  
"We are here."

And the young men moved on.

#### CHAPTER III.

The court-house was filled to suffocation,  
and the prophetic voice of the judge rang on  
the still air filling the spectators with awe  
and his vicinity with the odor of gin. "The  
dignity, glory, and majesty of our republic,  
protection against Cæsarism, Cromwellism,

and Kearneyism, depend upon a proper execution of our laws. Greece, Rome, Portland, Bath, where are they? Kent, Parsons, Blackstone, heroes all, well have ye fought the fight and given us bulwarks impenetrable, to repulse the onset of the vicious. The law will and must prevail. Nations may perish, but before the downfall of society must come the destruction of tyrants; therefore, Henry C., I sentence you to thirty days for a common drunk." And Henry answered, "Yas, I am heah."

And the young men moved on.

#### CHAPTER IV.

There was sound of revelry by night, and noise of squeaking fiddle mingled with the sound of pattering feet rung out on the midnight air. 'Twas a wedding, and present were the knights of the beer-stained front, now no longer beery. There, too, were the milkmaids of patrician blood—blushing brides. Without, a harrowing scene. Two horsemen, plying whip and spur, sunk deep in Brunswick mud. **THEY ARE LOST.** The dance goes on, and lost in the ma—but hold, "Whence comes that sound?" "Banish fear, 'tis naught but sound of medie feet departing with murderous sheepskin." But a prophetic spirit speaks otherwise to the erring maids, and sadly they whisper, "Our jig is up." Suddenly, before their anxious gaze, the door is driven from its hinges, and, behold, the *horsemen!* "Hevings! are we too late?" "Can it be, do we see our own de-ah husbands?" "Yes, we are here. Young men move on."

And the young men moved on.

#### MY MESSENGER.

A bird came to my window  
Bearing a message to me.  
From far out over the ocean,  
Where the gray gulls flying free  
Dip and dive in the æther,  
Came my messenger to me.

It bore no dainty missive  
Penned in thoughtful love,  
It was only a message from Heaven  
Sent on the wings of a dove.  
And there in my sea-shore home  
It bore the message to me,  
That have ye only patience  
Ye may like the birds be free.

#### COLLEGE ITEMS.

Our *university crew*, ahem!

Who stole the band instruments?

Why doesn't '84 brace up on foot-ball?

Did you throw bouquets to the graduating B.

H. S. girls?

*George* has a white hat since the *old man* sent some money.

Stearns says his "Sentimental Journey" was when he went over the door.

Four Seniors did not take advantage of their freedom but appeared in church last Sunday.

A picked nine from college played with the town boys last week, and won the game by 15 to 5.

The catcher on the Bates nine now *knows* better than to play behind the bat without a mask.

It is rumored that a Freshman passed in an excuse for absence from the "last chapel" exercises.

With the deep mud of spring and thick dust of summer, Bowdoin boys are not often complimented for shiny boots.

Freshmen have been investing in canes and smuggling them to their rooms in spite of threats from angry Sophs.

'81 made a better record than is usual in the "Senior game," as quite a per cent. of the regular ball players are from this class.

The Seniors have the "purchasing power of money" illustrated in a most forcible way as they proceed to dispose of their old furniture.

The average Senior has been engaged in packing trunks and in looking about his neighbor's premises to see if he can *borrow* a valise.

The Seniors left chapel together the last time, on Friday. The usual ceremony passed off satisfactorily. The marching was good and the singing excellent. We shall hereafter be sorry to miss the faces of the class of '81 at our morning exercises.



The boys *shell* out well with money for the new boat, yet it is the real *specie* that is wanted and not merely an *autograph* on the subscription paper.

Two students, evidently determined to learn to "paddle their own canoe," have recently visited Bowdoinham by way of Merrymeeting Bay and the Cathantic.

The band booms bravely. The first rehearsal, however, called out the competition of a horn concert, which nearly drowned the *harmonies* of the aspiring musicians.

A Freshman (describing the ancient gladiatorial contests) says: "When a man was *killed* he held up his finger, and if the spectators wished him to *live* they held up their thumbs."

The Juniors made their last recitation in Psychology the 15th. The examination on this third of their term's work will come after the departure of the Seniors. The remainder of the term will be occupied by lectures.

The campus never looked more attractive than at present. We can justly be proud of its beauty, and, as numerous views have been taken, a good opportunity is offered for preserving our remembrance of it at this time of year.

Reviews in all studies are well under way. It is *rumored* that the Juniors are to review their last term's German on which they have once been examined. The next move, it is expected, will be to take up again our Freshman Mathematics.

The following are the appointments for Commencement parts. The two last named were appointed for excellence in composition and speaking: Baxter, Cole, Cutler (Salutatory), Fisher, Gray, Smith, Staples, Stevens, H. W. Chamberlain, Wheelwright.

Some one has remarked that Memorial Hall was likely to furnish subject matter for the next dozen volumes of the ORIENT. That's a fact. Now the other day it was feared that the force of workmen on this building would strike, but—they didn't; so our *item* fails.

Professor Bloch has been engaged by the college to give instruction in elocution to the graduating class and to those appointed for prize exhibitions. Each speaker is to have four half-hour rehearsals, and as this work has been begun much sooner than last year, considerable individual improvement should be expected. The Professor gave the first general lecture upon his subject, Monday, June 13th.

As a Sophomore was standing under a Freshman's window the other day, a pail of water came *rustling* down upon his head, causing some expressions that would change the opinion of one of our worthy professors in regard to the "morals in Bowdoin College."

Photographer (explaining cause of delay)—"We've been at work on the photographs of the Faculty the past week, because we can only work on *plain* pictures during such dull weather." Our revered instructors ought to give a week extra vacation on the strength of this.

What is to become of the ball nine after the class of '81 has gone, is a question that should occupy the attention of all interested in this branch of our sports. Those who expect to play next year ought to gain all the practice possible while they still remain together, before the long vacation.

On the two last Saturday evenings, Instructor Cole has given lectures upon the subject "Virgil," and will continue the course, weekly, on this same evening. As many students will hereafter teach from the works of Virgil, these lectures are interesting and practical, and should be well attended by all classes.

We were again disappointed in regard to a ball game last Wednesday. Barnum, however, offered some consolation to those who had the eighty-five cents necessary to take them to Bath, and, judging from the noisy return of some, they must have had opportunity for "viewing a large species of pachydermatous animals."

Mr. Johnson is still further utilizing the north wing, into which have lately been moved the portraits of former presidents of the college and some of the older professors, together with that recently painted of Professor Packard. This place used to be a *terra incognita* to the students but will now be one of the most attractive parts of the chapel.

The fate of a certain collegian is as given below: ("Poor thing.")

"Early on the 'Day of Ivy,'  
Seated by the sweet Belle's side  
With that bired horse and buggy,  
H— sought pleasure in a ride.

"Ah! how soon such dreams are shaded,  
For stared o'ning's eyes from o'er  
Saw her kiss the *other fellow*,  
Soft, behind her Pa's front door.

"Now the irate stable keeper  
Clamors loud for promised pay;  
And when H— may chance to meet her  
*She* walks by with naught to say."

The '68 Prize Exhibition was held at Lemont Hall, Tuesday, June 21st. The titles of the orations and names of the speakers are as follows:

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| Lord Beaconsfield.                           | Leland B. Lane.         |
| Corruption in Our Body Politic.              | Clinton L. Baxter.      |
| Socrates.                                    | William I. Cole.        |
| Russian Nihilism.                            | John O. P. Wheelwright. |
| The "Spirit of Caesar" in Republican France. | Charles H. Cutler.      |
| Louis Kossuth.                               | Daniel J. McGillicuddy. |

The new shell arrived in good order from Portland, Saturday, June 11th, and gives satisfaction in ever respect. The crew are practicing twice a day and, though the craft acted very uneasily at first, they are making improvement and hope soon to show some speed. Mr. Robinson is coaching them and training at the same time in a single scull. If all the intended arrangements are perfected he will go as fifth man to Lake George, and be ready to take any place in case of emergency. When the crews are out on the river the large flag now floats from the boat-house, while small flags have been placed at each end of the mile and a half course as laid out by the engineers.

The concert given by the Brunswick and Topsham Musical Association, on Thursday evening, the 16th, was a success in every particular. The choruses were all finely rendered, and especially pleasing were the opening chorus by Mozart and the hymn by Sullivan. The solos were well received by the audience and noticeable among these was the "Ave Maria," sung in a most pleasing manner by Mrs. Lee, and especially deserving the *encore* which was loudly called for, but for some reason not responded to. The piano playing of Miss Morse was a pleasing feature of the concert, and the audience showed by its hearty applause how well it appreciated her endeavors. The college glee club on its appearance was greeted with applause, and its members proved themselves worthy of the praise which was lavished upon them. The gentlemen of this club deserve much credit for their efforts to raise the standard of singing in college, and should have the hearty aid of all students. Hutchins won the favor of the audience by his clarinet playing and in answer to the hearty applause favored them with an *encore*.

*Bowdoins 8, Bates 6.*

At last, after several weeks of correspondence, a game was arranged with the Bates, and on the 11th our nine made preparations for a departure. The weather was anything but favorable, the heavens

being overcast and a drizzling rain falling at intervals. The nine, determined to play, rain or shine, set out in the face of the inclement weather. Arriving at Lewiston, there were signs of clearing, and in half an hour it seemed probable that the heavens would allow us time to accomplish our purpose. The ground at Bates has been graded within the last year and was found otherwise greatly improved. The grass having sufficiently dried the game opened with the Bates at the bat. They were retired in one, two, three order, while the Bowdoins scored one. After this the game proved intensely interesting, the score for the greater part of the game being even at the end of each inning. In the eighth, with the score in favor of our opponents, when two men had reached third and second successively, Snow stepped up to bat and sent a beautiful hit to right field, sending in two men, and as afterward proved winning the game. In the fourth inning Wilbur was struck by a foul tip from Rogers' bat, an accident which disabled him from finishing the game. Minahan, a player from the city, was procured and played the position very acceptably.

BOWDOINS.											BATES.											
AB	R	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	AB	R	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Wilson, p.....	5	1	1	2	3	1					Foss, 2b.....	4	1	2	2	2	2	1				
Rogers, 2b.....	5	1	3	5	2	3					Parsons, p.....	4	0	0	0	3	11	0				
Gardner, 3b.....	5	2	1	1	1	2					Minahan, c.....	2	0	0	0	5	2	1				
Snow, c.....	5	1	2	6	2	1					Wilbur, c.....	2	0	0	0	7	0	4				
Smith, l. f.....	5	0	0	1	0	1					Stuborn, lb.....	3	2	2	4	1	1	0				
Wright, s. s.....	5	0	0	1	4	0					Norcross, c. f.....	4	0	0	0	1	0	1				
Knapp, lb.....	4	0	0	0	7	0					Tinkhan, l. f.....	4	1	1	0	0	2					
Haggerty, c. f.....	4	0	0	2	0	0					Hatch, r. f.....	4	1	0	0	0	1	1				
Stetson, r. f.....	4	3	2	2	2	0					Merrill, s. s.....	4	0	2	2	0	1	1				
											Roberts, 3b.....	4	0	1	1	1	2					
Total.....	42	8	9	27	13	7					Total.....	36	6	8	8	21	19	13				

Struck out—Bowdoins, 7; Bates, 3. Balls called—On Wilson, 27; on Parsons, 56. Strikes called—on Wilson, 7; on Parsons, 9. Passed balls—Snow, 4; Wilbur, 2; Minahan, 3. Left on bases—Bowdoins, 9; Bates, 2. Double play—Rogers. Time of game, 2 hours 5 minutes. Umpire—M. A. Pingree, of Lewiston.

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[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

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#### CLASS OF '77.

William G. Beale is studying in the office of Williams & Thompson, attorneys at law, 97 Clark Street, Chicago, Ill.

Alvan J. Bolster has formed a partnership with Albion Thorne, one of the pioneer settlers of Dakota, for the practice of law under the firm name of Thorne & Bolster. Address, Dell Rapids, Dakota Territory.

Osgar Brinkerhoff is teaching and studying law in Atlanta, Logan County, Ill.

Philip G. Brown was admitted Jan. 11th, 1881, to the firm of J. B. Brown & Sons, bankers, 218 Middle Street, Portland, Maine.

William T. Cobb was admitted to the Knox County Bar in December, 1880; did not practice but at once entered the partnership of Cobb, Wight & Co., wholesale and retail grocers and ship chandlers, 246 Main Street, Rockland, Maine.

Frank H. Crockier has studied in the Maine Medical School the past term.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins was married June 10th, 1881, to Miss Ella N. Burnham of Cherryfield, Me.

Dr. Fred H. Dillingham is now house physician at the St. Francis Hospital, and also has a private office at 118 East 17th Street, New York City.

Charles T. Evans is engaged in a general insurance business and is also special agent of the New

York Life Insurance Company at 532 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. He was married in October last to Miss Susie S. Greene of Philadelphia.

David B. Fuller has resigned his position as Principal of the Greeley Institute, Cumberland Centre, and is now studying law in the office of E. F. Webb, Esq., Waterville, Maine.

William A. Golden has opened an office with George H. Marquis, for the practice of law, in the Centennial Block, Exchange St., Portland, Maine.

Seropè A. Gurdjian for the present may be addressed at 20 Rue Chonhazi Han, Grand Bazar, Constantinople, Turkey.

Rev. George A. Holbrook was on Tuesday, May 24th, 1881, advanced to the priesthood by the Rt. Rev. G. T. Seymour, Bishop of Springfield, in Trinity Memorial Church, Warren, Pa. His address is 124 East 5th Street, Erie, Pa.

Dr. Phineas H. Ingalls, since April 1st, 1881, has been chief house surgeon and has had full charge of the Woman's Hospital, corner 49th Street and 4th Avenue, New York City.

Charles E. Knight was married June 10th, 1880, to Miss Carrie B. Dodge of Wiscasset, Maine.

Samuel A. Melcher is teaching the High School at Oxford, Mass.

Frank A. Mitchell is now engaged in business in Glens Falls, N. Y. He was married Jan. 19th, 1881, to Miss Amie L. Flint of Bellows Falls, Vt.

Carroll W. Morrill was admitted to the Sagadahoc Bar in April, 1881, but has continued in charge of the mathematical department of the Bath High School up to the close of the present school year.

Charles L. Nickerson is instructor in Mathematics and Natural Sciences at the Hallowell Classical School, Hallowell, Maine.

Dr. Edwin J. Pratt was graduated from the New York Homœopathic Medical College in March last, and on the 1st of April was appointed resident physician at the Brooklyn Maternity and New York School for Training Nurses, 44, 46, and 48 Concord Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

John A. Roberts is practicing law in Norway, Maine.

James W. Sewall during the past spring had charge of the drainage survey of Norfolk, Va. He is now in Nashua, N. H., but will probably go South again in the fall. Address care of Col. George E. Waring, Jr., Newport, R. I.

Rev. Addison M. Sherman is assistant minister at St. Bartholomew's Church, Madison Avenue and 44th Street, New York. Address 432 West 20th Street, New York City.

Dr. William Stephenson is practicing medicine, with an office at 622 Congress St., Portland, Maine.

George W. Tillson last fall planned and since April 1st has been constructing a system of sewerage for the city of Kalamazoo, Mich.

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## COLLEGE WORLD.

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### HARVARD:

There is some talk of giving a Latin play next year.—*Crimson*.

President Eliot of Harvard, Mary L. Booth of *Harper's Bazar*, and the cook of Parker's restaurant, Boston, receive the same salary, \$4,000.

In the Harvard class races the Juniors won in Hm. 18s., the Seniors second, Sophomores third, and the Freshmen a bad fourth. The course was not quite two miles.—*Ex*.

Harvard has recently received a gift of \$115,000 for the erection of a physical laboratory, provided a fund of \$75,000 be raised to defray the running expenses. As in the case of the Law School, the name of the benefactor is not to be made public.

### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN:

The *Monthly Bulletin* claims to have made a canvass of the faculty and students, of all the departments, to find out what proportion are professing Christians. Of the faculty sixty-one per cent., and of the students thirty per cent., are found to profess Christianity.—*Chronicle*.

The catalogue of class hats to date is as follows: Seniors, maroon fez cap with old gold tassel; Juniors, white plug; Sophomores, white Derby; Freshmen, black mortar board with cardinal tassel; Senior Medics, black silk plug; Junior Medics, straw Derby with the band of class colors, blue and maize; Pharmics, low mackinaw straw with the band of class colors, old gold and cardinal.—*Chronicle*.

### MISCELLANY:

In the Yale class races only '82 and '83 took part. '83 came in ahead. There seems to be a lack of interest in these sports.

Bowdoin fielder—as he turns a back somersault up hill after a fly. "What in —— is this placo anyhow?"—*Argo*.

England has four universities; France, fifteen; and Germany, twenty-two. Ohio, with that simplicity which is characteristic of the West, contents itself with thirty-seven.—*Ex*.

Oxford caps have been adopted at Columbia. The Seniors are to be distinguished by a button of purple, Juniors by dark blue, Sophomores by cardinal, and Freshmen by dark green.

The editors of the *Brunonian* have offered a prize bat to the man having the best batting record at the end of the next inter-collegiate contest.

It has been agreed to row the Yale-Harvard race on the New London course for the five coming years. In consequence of this arrangement, Harvard will have a new boat-house, costing \$2,500. \$2,000 of this sum has been already pledged.—*Ex.*

Mr. Thomas A. Scott has endowed the Chair of Mathematics in the University of Pennsylvania with a gift of \$50,000. He has also given \$50,000 to the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, \$30,000 to the Orthopædic Hospital, Philadelphia, and \$20,000 to the Children's Department of the Episcopal Hospital of Philadelphia.

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## CLIPPINGS.

Handle her gently,  
Lift her with care,  
She swallowed a hair pin  
While banging her hair,  
The curling iron slipped,  
And burned her fair brow,  
She uttered a shriek,  
But weeps no more now. —*Ex.*

"D'you take me for a fool?" "Oh, no! not in the least! I never judge by appearances."—*Spectator.*

The Sauveur method in the Sophomore French division: Prof.—"Monsieur —, why is this word in the imparfait?" Student—"Parceque l'action is represented as habituelle."

"Isn't your husband a little bald?" asked one lady of another, recently. "There isn't a bald hair on his head," was the somewhat hasty reply.

He asked a Cincinnati belle if there was much refinement and culture in that city, and she replied, "You just bet your boots we're a culchahed crowd."—*Ex.*

Professor, in calling the Senior roll, runs by mistake into the Junior class. Senior (correcting)—"You are not calling our roll now, Professor." Prof. (absently-mindedly)—"Oh, yes! this will be yours next year."

Horace recitation: Freshman—"And if you praise him at the wrong time he kicks back." Tutor—"Where does that simile come from?" Fresh—"From the horse." Tutor looks as if he thought so, and the class applauds.—*Courant.*

Law Prof.—"What constitutes burglary?" Student—"There must be breaking." Prof.—"Then, if a man enters your door and takes five dollars from your vest pocket in the hall, would that be burglary?" Student—"Yes, sir, because that would break me."

Scene upon the street: Senior (speaking of his lady love's mother)—"I tell you, boys, she just treated me boss; she took me in and showed me the new carpets." Cad (innocently)—"They must consider you one of the family." "Senior (reverently)—"I hope to be."—*College Olio.*

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## EDITORS' TABLE.

"It will be utterly impossible for us to do justice to our exchanges this week, as we have not the time and spirit necessary for a careful consideration of their merits and demerits." So we were saying to ourselves late one evening only a short time before our "copy" must be "sent up." The time demanded by Psychology and the mental exhaustion consequent upon long study had so wearied us that our tired brain refused to be spurred on to fresh efforts, and our strained eyes could only wander meaninglessly over the appalling pile. In this predicament, kind sleep, "Sleep that knits up the raveled sleeve of care," came upon us and provided, for a time, freedom from all vexations. But even sleep would not afford a refuge, and phantasy freed from all restraint brought up quick flitting, troubled images of what had occupied our waking hours, and out of their sum we are able to recall a series which, from their vividness and startling nature, strongly impressed themselves on our memory. We will preface them by calling attention to the psychological consistency in them as dependent on what knowledge we at the time possessed. It seemed that an Inter-Collegiate Press Association had been formed, comprising the leading college journals of the country, and for the purpose of holding an annual meeting, it was to be entertained by the editors of the ORIENT. At the hour on which its members were expected to arrive we were collected at the station prepared to receive them cordially. When the train came roaring in, our expectations were great and our inward trembling was not small as we comprehended that we were to entertain such distinguished guests. The train arrived. We anxiously looked about to distinguish the representatives of our esteemed contemporaries. First, as soon as the train had slackened up before it had come to a full stop, a young

fellow, travel-stained, in a linen duster and slouch hat, leaped from the front end of the smoking car and had got into the eating saloon before we could intercept him, for we knew by his general air that he must be a journalist. We could, however, pardon his haste and welcome him right gladly when we found him to be the representative of the *Berkeleyan*, who had crossed the continent to become acquainted with his journalistic friends nearer the Atlantic. Soon other of our guests came pouring forth in abundance. Among the first we saw two whom we knew must be from "fair Harvard." The representative of the *Crimson* was a tony looking fellow with a quick eye and a literary air,—not a solemn massive-brained embryo Macaulay but somewhat of a Bohemian in style. The delegate from the *Advocate* was more sedate looking, and the *Crimson* man seemed to take the lead and guide his elder companion. Our *Crimson* man saluted us with a graceful and easy air, while the *Advocate's* representative was more stiff and ceremonious. Next came a bustling wide-awake fellow in a Yale straw hat, a strong healthy sample of a college student who was to present the claims of the *Yale News* as the leading college daily. The *Record* had also sent a delegate to petition for the death of Smintheus. A long-haired youth, with a portfolio under his arm and an aesthetic costume, came slowly from the car, and after making himself known took his way to the ladies' room, stationed himself at the door, and began to make sketches of its occupants. The editor of the *Bates Student*, a serious and not remarkable looking youth, with a well-brushed dress coat of no particular style and a ministerial white necktie, got off the rear car, for he very rarely ventures from home, and has heard that the rear car is the safest to ride in, and stifiy introduced himself to us. He carried a package of *Students* under his arm and distributed them to whomsoever he met in the depot. The *Yale Lit.* man was just what we should expect him to be from reading the elegant and tasty literature with which the *Lit.* is always filled. Accompanying him was one the sight of whom made us muster up all our politeness and receive in our most graceful manner. It was an editor of the *Vassar Miscellany*. She wore glasses and perhaps was not as vivacious as is entirely pleasing, but was completely self-possessed and independent. An elegantly dressed youth, with a decidedly English air introduced himself as from "Trinity at 'arford, the Hoxford of Hameria you know." He came from the Pullman

palace car and had a servant to attend to his luggage. The representatives of the *Brunonian*, *Princetonian*, *Amherst Student*, *Williams Athenæum*, *Nassau Lit.*, *Dartmouth*, *Syracusan*, and others were good representative college men. Of course we knew at first sight Capt. Ephraim, skipper of the *Argo*, for in his trim sailor suit he was a prominent figure, but his clothes did not appear to fit him perfectly and he seemed somewhat awkward in them. A man with a wild countenance and a fierce eye we thought must be the editor of the *Niagara Index*, until we saw that he had on a strait-jacket and was guarded by attendants who were conducting him to the insane asylum. We afterwards made the acquaintance of the *Index* man, and found him far more agreeable in conversation than in his paper. We did not expect to see any editor of the *Colby Echo*, as we understood that their Faculty feared that their morals might be contaminated by association with unregenerate Bowdoin students, and had forbidden their coming, but one came, and we found him a smart fellow. A solemn looking youth with a tall beaver, and carrying a revised New Testament in his hand, was of the *Oberlin Review*. The *Chronicle* man was a contrast to him in every respect, not at all literary, but a thorough journalist. All these, and more too, had collected on the platform, when it begun to be noticed that one anxiously looked for by all was absent, and a cry for Smintheus went up, and soon that renowned individual issued from the palace car, and with a proud, disdainful glance of the eye for those around and a curling of the lip as he caught sight of a Yale editor, stalked towards us, the rest shrinking back. We offered him our editorial hand, but he hesitating said: "Has the fiend, who vents his spleen through the *Wreckard*, touched with his polluting paw that outstretched hand?" "He hast." "Then will not Smintheus disgrace his fair fame by grasping the hand of one who has welcomed his bitterest enemy." At this there was a rush and a cry for the blood of Smintheus, and he was knocked down, kicked about, the *Crimson's* man who tried to aid him received the same treatment, and a general quarrel begun, all seeking revenge for the severity of past criticisms of different editors. A burly member from some western college approached and aimed at us a terrific blow. We jumped quickly aside to avoid it, and awoke to find our lamp burned out and hear the whistling of the midnight train. We sat down to write our experience, and what we have written we have written.

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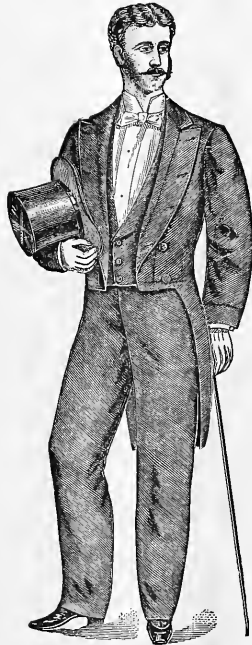
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

To you who are distant the ORIENT comes, we hope, laden with remembrances. Commencement has come and gone, and while our readers have put away all college thoughts, have packed and departed, we have been diligently laboring to present you a record of '81's Commencement. It might not be unmeet to express to our departed Seniors our renewed hope that we may have the pleasure of always greeting them through these same columns, and that they will still continue to find in the columns of the ORIENT pleasant

tidings of Bowdoin's welfare. To every one, friends, faculty, students, we bid a hearty greeting, and send a cordial wish for a happy sojourn and a season of pleasant, profitable vacation.

And so Commencement is over. The alumni, some gray haired with care and years, have come and renewed their youth in the genial atmosphere of old-time days, and departed. The music has ceased, and nought but the clatter of workmen in Memorial Hall reminds one that there is life upon the campus.

What kind of a Commencement was it? Was it worthy the class and worthy the college? The verdict of every one is decidedly in the affirmative. '81 has received a glorious send-off, and the year adds new laurels to the college. The number of alumni that came to renew their acquaintance has not been greater for years, the actions of the Boards were never characterized by greater liberality, and the graduating classes never showed to greater advantage than did the class of '81. The class reunions, especially of '61, have been unusually large, and every reunion was enthusiastic. We trust that Bowdoin may know many such Commencements, and that she may continue to be ever an object of interest among the alumni; but in all the circle of years we believe that the college will never see a better Commencement, or one that will redound more to her interest, than the Commencement of 1881.

We follow the lead of our predecessors in printing the class day poem and oration. Some one remarks that they are dull reading.

Perhaps they are, but we hasten to remark that the Commencement number hopes rather to be acceptable as a true record of Commencement Week than as light and interesting reading.

The promenade concert was much better than the usual Commencement Concert. It afforded pleasure to a greater number, and was quite as cheap for the graduating class. It was a good idea, and deserves to be imitated.

Last week '82 assumed the dignity of Seniors, and the world still moves on regardless. Next term we come back with the laurels of three years' honorable labor resting jauntily upon our brows, and take yet once again the old work and promise ourselves not to faint or falter till the year rolls round and until the cycle of our college life is done. What, with our numbers and cordial love and friendship for each other, cannot be done is little, and the class in Senior life must keep on in the beaten track of work for college interests and not idle in well doing.

The little building that nestled among the pines has ceased to nestle, as it were. The hand of the incendiary has been abroad and the glaring flames shot across the sky and disturbed the repose of the sleepers, and sent the ruddy sparks soaring away through the branches of the pines. Was it a chemical phenomenon, and did the building tire of life and seek an early grave in spontaneous combustion, or was it "sot"? We incline to the latter for various reasons. We feel assured that there has been a growing dislike to this building for some time, and that some one, stirred up by his own fancied wrongs, rashly invested in kerosene and applied the torch. We earnestly hope that it was not a student. It isn't a gentlemanly, Christian way of overcoming an evil. It is never just or expedient

to overcome anything disagreeable by anything criminal, and the individual who, in the stillness of night, illumined the campus with the bonfire of this building committed an act that if he has any conscience he will be ashamed of always. The best instincts of the students condemn it, and the deed was neither righteous or sensible because it was criminal, and because it will be barren in the desired results. We are pleased to learn the action of the Faculty and hope, as we said before, that it was not the act of a student. If it was we trust that he perished in the flames.

At this year's meeting of the Boards several important changes were made, some of which will materially alter the appearance of things about college next year. Prominent among them is the retirement of Prof. Packard from all college duties. In the chapel and library, where he has so long presided, he will long be missed. That it is not through failing health, but rather that he may be preserved in an honorable old age for a long time to come, is much to be rejoiced. His salary remains the same as before. It is to be hoped that he will continue to frequent the places with which he has so long been familiar, and whenever convenient take part in the chapel exercises which he has so long conducted. The promotion of our popular young instructors, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Lee, to the professorships respectively of Modern Languages and of Geology and Biology, will be particularly pleasing to the students, as it is particularly deserved. Prof. Johnson is also to be librarian.

The appropriation for additional instruction in Oratory is needed. There is no act more manifestly proper than the change in the professorships in the Physical Sciences, by which Prof. Robinson becomes Professor of Chemistry and Mineralogy, and Prof. Carmichael of Astronomy and Physics. The instruction in Chemistry by Prof. Robinson next



term will be very pleasing to the class who began the work last term, and will make the course much more complete. With Prof. Carmichael as teacher the instruction in Astronomy cannot but be thorough and satisfactory. The important position of Latin professor has been offered to Prof. Geo. H. Wheeler, Ph.D., of Harvard.

Base-ball and boating are laid away for the present not to be taken up in earnest until the spring of 1882. The past season's work is satisfactory enough. We are unable to criticise base-ball because we have seen but two games, but we have heard that the nine was an excellent one. We have heard that they played with admirable skill and coolness, and that they have met very excellent success wherever they have been. Boating has been thoroughly alive. Fate was unkind and permitted our sturdy crew no opportunity of going abroad; but in class races we all know the interest and thorough activity. We do not hesitate to say that no college in the country has better or more interesting class races, and that none has better appliances and facilities for boating than Bowdoin. Our boat-house is a fine one. It is painted and has a flag-staff, two requisites, and is the most convenient and roomiest that we ever saw. With regard to foot-ball. '82 formed a foot-ball team. Into oblivion straightway went this foot-ball team upon its formation. It has remained in oblivion ever since. We don't believe that the team ever knew each other. Its captain has forgotten his men and the class the child of its adoption, and so our foot-ball team rests unwept, unhonored, and unsung. Sports in general have been, however, as we said above, interesting and lively, and we see no cause for anything but congratulation on the past; as for the future we are willing to wait. That base-ball is to experience another critical period, by the withdrawal of '81, is evident.

We hope, however, that the college may not seriously suffer.

Prof. Ladd has been elected to the Chair of Mental and Moral Philosophy in Yale College, and will leave for his new duties before the beginning of our Fall Term. It is expected that he will relieve President Porter of most of his class-room work. While we are glad that this exceedingly honorable position has been given him in which perhaps his sphere of usefulness will be larger, we express the heartfelt sentiment of the college and all its friends in saying that Prof. Ladd's departure will be a very great loss. As a cordial gentleman he has endeared himself to all with whom he has been brought in contact; as a Christian minister he has won a lasting reputation; and as a professor has taught his branches with remarkable earnestness and vigor. We can safely say that no class has had more regard for Prof. Ladd, and taken more interest in the studies to him, although so brief, than the class of '82. The regret that the admirable course laid out for next year cannot be conducted by Prof. Ladd, is universal. Prof. Newman Smythe, of Quincy, Ill., has been elected to fill the vacancy. His election is to some degree a guarantee of merit, and it is hoped that the difficult position will be satisfactorily filled. Eighty-two will look forward with much interest to meeting the gentleman who will guide so large and important a part of the studies of the class next year.

The recent awards by the Faculty and awarding committees have been fruitful of many remarks and we fear some dissatisfaction. The method of the action of awarding committees is, we presume, simple, and consists in an unbiased vote upon the merit of speaking or composition. This is what it should consist in. We think ourselves justified in asserting that the preacher, who

may be upon the committee, has no right to reject the claims of him whom he may term "stump speaker," because he did not assume a tone similar to his own. Such an action would not be unbiased or unpartisan. We have been assured that certain committees for the awarding of Sophomore and Junior Declamation Prizes have taken the first vote upon the question of admitting what they termed dramatic pieces to any possibility of award. This is too absurd to argue. If the possibility of making such assertions continue, the prize declamations will end in dissatisfaction. As it is, the better after-thought has come to aid in showing the justness of the awards, but the possibility still remains. There is but one way, and that is to allow the speakers the choice of their committee. This the Juniors did and were entirely satisfied. With regard to the apportionment of Commencement Parts we have nothing to say. Commencement Parts are beyond finding out in their apportionment, and we are willing to believe justly given. It is evident that in such a matter, the result of four years' earnest work, every one should receive as he deserves and no more.

The present vacation ought assuredly to see the erection of a new gymnasium. This is a matter that we have often spoken of before, but the necessity remains the same. Very many students will expect to see one upon their return; some will not. It is needless to enter into argument concerning the necessity of one. The Faculty recognizes it as well as we, and will as soon as possible make the provision. We must wait.

It is to the regret of all that Professor Ladd leaves this college to relieve President Porter, at Yale, of some of his duties. Professor Ladd has been respected by all, and those who were to have his instruction next year had been looking forward with considerable interest to that time. Now, of course, there is to be a change, and the question arises, who is the coming man for this department.

### \* CLASS DAY POEM.

BY FRED. L. JOHNSON.

From spired cities, busy driving towns,  
Rural hamlets, and quiet country downs  
Eighty-one was called, and marching four years  
Down the path of time, we've shared our hopes and  
fears.

"Long years?" Well, yes; they seemed so then,  
but now,

Just passed, they've gone so quick we wonder how.

Or, mayhap, looking back, one sees and grieves

"How little hoped-for knowledge one receives!"

Not disappointed, dissatisfied with naught

Save wasted time, which foolishly he'd thought

Only his books should help him while away;

Now night comes down and drives away the day.

But as we in the evening twilight stand,

Of these four years whose close is now at hand,

What multitudes of pleasant times one sees

Dart up! as numerous as swarming bees.

Of just such pleasures, in themselves so small,

Is life made up, and as we them recall

New pleasure is derived.

We've run the race;

Each, standing as a victor with flushed face,

Is to receive his due reward. "Of what?

Gold?" No; the store of knowledge he has got,

However small, will be his crown. 'Tis well

'Tis so; each gets what he deserves; works tell.

Years hence diplomas of to-day will be

Of no avail, and merely one's A.B.

No "staff of life" will bring. "What can he do?"

Each one will ask of us—will ask of you!

Like one who in twilight, at close of the day,

Sitting at the piano, may not care to play,

But engrossed in deep thought, gazing vacant in air,

Scarce aware what he does, strikes a note here and

there;

So would I, not attempting a masterpiece, give

A few notes of the life which, at Bowdoin, we live.

There's a charm about college we nowhere shall find

Outside of these walls; when we leave them behind,

And go out in the world, we shall miss the gay

throng,

Jolly boys, full of fun, free from care, the glad song,

Which none, like a college boy ever does sing—

It may be the same words but they leave out the ring—

We shall miss the warm greeting, the games, and

all

The fond associations that cling round each hall.

Ah, these associations! Who has stopped to once

think

What a powerful factor in life? how they link

Us to some settled course? Like the rock on the hill,

Which turns from its course the brook or the rill,

And thus makes it flow here, when it would flow

down there,

To a valley more rich, or a plain dry and bare,

Or makes two streams unite that would else flow

apart,—

So the friendships we form may influence the heart

And turn it from good or from evil. Alas,  
That so few can the Rubicon see ere they pass!

Though each heart be impatient to take part in the  
strife,

Though it burn to deal blows in the battle of life,  
Though it long to win fame, or power, or gold,  
Though brave it may be as Achilles of old  
There's a twinge of regret that connection must cease  
With Old Bowdoin, and forth from this haven of peace  
He must go to sail over life's stormy sea.

There's anxiety doubt with us all. What will be  
The result? Oh! that sea! With a horrible grin  
It will draw him beneath, if he fail; if he win,  
It will bear him aloft with a gentle caress,—  
For how true it is "Nothing succeeds like success"  
"To him that hath shall be given and from him that  
hath not  
Shall be taken away even that he hath got."

Of caducious companions we've slight cause to com-  
plain,

Most of those who first entered now with us remain.  
But of course there were some who thought they  
were secure,

So because of their tricks had a somewhat premature  
Graduation. Some left, and went in pursuit of great  
wealth,

And a few took occasion'l vacations—for health.  
There were two whom the hand of grim Death took  
away

*Requiescant in pace!* In the morn of their day  
They turned out from the caravans' well beaten  
grooves

And entered that tent whose dark "curtain ne'er  
moves

Outward",—into that still quiet spirit-land  
They have gone, into th' strange and unknown on  
whose strand

Lie the wrecks of so many a dream. In that dim  
Mist which hides all from us, we entrust them to  
Him

Who is willing, and anxious, and mighty to save.  
But we seek not to peer through the mists of the  
grave.

"Tis a way that we have at Old Bowdoin": when  
first

The Sub-Freshman is seized with a wild parching  
thirst

For collegiate life, and comes here t' attempt  
Th' entrance examination, he is not exempt

From th' attacks always made on the credulous. Now  
He is shown the bare panels in Chapel, told how

Angry Sophomores scraped off the paintings, and so  
Those four panels are bare. And again if they know

He is wont to be bold, on himself to presume,  
They show him where a bonfire did slowly consume,

A few evenings before, two Freshmen,—that's why  
The bell tolls, ev'ry day, before prayers. By and by

He grows wiser when some rainy day he is told  
He must leave his umbrella outside, and a bold

Burly Sophomore takes it away—by mistake!  
The poor Freshman, however, would most gladly  
break

That Sophomore's neck, t' keep himself from the  
rain.

'Tis too late, his thoughts and his wishes are vain.  
So he swears to himself with a terrible oath—  
By all the Gods, and Goddesses, both,  
And the shade of immortal Horatius himself—  
Whose translation he has secretly placed on his shelf—  
That he never again will a notice obey  
Which is signed in the Sophomores' usual way  
Of "Per Order." He learns thus, *gradatim*, toward  
The end of the year, that the bulletin-board  
Is no guide.

But the great event comes when he hath,  
As is custom, a Freshman Class Supper at Bath.  
With convivial speech, Bacchanalian song,  
Pretty toasts to the ladies and friends, they prolong  
The festivities, bury their grief in the bowl—  
Of their pipes. Feast of reason and flow of the soul!

He may have a good time, but he afterwards feels  
The post prandial pains that result from late meals.  
Like the sword of old Damocles, hangs o'er his head  
All the terror of nightmare, a dream's nameless  
dread.

As the tadpole his caudal appendage doth shed  
And become a great frog, so the Freshman, 'tis said,  
Drops that garb of simplicity, which makes him an  
ape,  
And becomes a bold Sophomore, from whom to  
escape

The next Freshmen must try. 'Tis a cycle, you know,  
Where each class settles scores with the class that's  
below.

As time passes on other changes appear;  
From the boist'rous abuses of Sophomore year,  
He emerges, becomes a spruce Junior, and then  
A calm dignified Senior, whose knowledge of men  
And of things is supposed to be simply unbounded—  
But the same, I am sorry to say, is unfounded—  
Then he goes, an alumnus, out into the world,  
To be tossed about here and there, beaten, and  
whirled

By the storm-winds of life.

How many now see,  
Plainly marked, what their pathway in life is to be?  
Some are waiting in doubt, some hope to know soon,  
Some have no more idea than the man in the moon!  
Eager longings surge up, like "the unresting dream  
Of father Oceanus",—surge up and so seem  
To impel him, as eager as love, hot as hate,  
Both to be and to do, that it's irksome to wait.

We now close our apprenticeship, and forth we must  
go

To hew out our own fortunes, the best that we know.  
Our terms will be long, and vacations be few,  
And our tasks will be hard and complex in this new  
School of life: to be free from its duties or shirk  
Is impossible; th' world will expect us to work,  
Though we're homesick and heart-sick, discouraged  
and tired—

For to whom much is given, of him much is required—

On account of these grand opportunities. Grand,  
For they give possibilities, which to command  
Many men would now sacrifice uncounted gold.  
All we've learned will be useful before we are old.

In the years soon to come, as our ways draw apart,  
May the bonds of true friendship bind closer the heart  
Of each one to the forty-five others; may't take  
A deep interest in the advance that they make!  
Whatever successes for you now remain,  
May you all an abundant entrance gain  
To the kingdom of God. May your lives have that  
pure,  
Full, and rounded completeness and strength which  
endure.

May future years ever find us united as *one*,  
The forty-six jolly boys of our dear Eighty-One!  
You'll be glad, for right here my loquacity ends;  
Many thanks for your kindness, my classmates and  
friends.

\*The first letter of the first twenty-eight lines compose the author's name, the college, and the class.

## THE INFLUENCE OF ANGLO-SAXON CHARACTER ON AMERICA.

CLASS DAY ORATION, BY JOHN W. MANSON.

The fatherland of America's political, social, and religious character was the land of the Anglo-Saxons, a people who inhabited that part of North-western Europe, now known as Sleswick, during the first few centuries of the Christian Era. A people whom Cæsar, in his almost universal European conquest must have overlooked, and whom Tacitus, the world's historian, forgets to mention. The descendants of this rude and piratic tribe, now form the liberal and progressive element of England, and the most important element of the American people. In the fifth century, after the birth of Christ, they conquered and almost completely displaced the Britons. In the eighteenth, their Puritan descendants were most instrumental in establishing the government we now enjoy. The first home they established was conquered and ruled over by the Norman invaders, but their ideas, though checked and held down, were not to be crushed out. The Normans conquered, but did not settle to any extent in the adopted land of the Saxons. They

formed the aristocratic and lordly class, which century after century has steadily lost power, until at the present time the Commons control and guide the affairs of government almost without an opposition. The crown is but a figure-head, the House of Lords but a check upon the action of others.

Impatient for a more open sphere in which to exercise their thought, and a more fertile soil in which to plant the seeds of their ideas, they sought the uninviting and almost unknown shores of New England. The success of the Puritans is too well known to need narration. What were the elements of their success, is the theme which the present age demands. It is fitting to pause and look back in the rapid development of our existence, in hopes to scan the future by a glance at the past, for all true prophecy must be looked at in the mirror of past experience. What has characterized the English-speaking people in their unparalleled progress, and what has given our nation a position so superior, in many respects, to her sister nations?

This pre-eminence we assign to their morality, their untiring energy, their love of justice and liberty, and especially to their ideas of popular government. To speak of the marked morality of this people from the first, must seem paradoxical as they were known to their neighbors. A fierce and hardy band of pirates, to whom the man-hunt was the most ennobling and gratifying, lovers of the sea, and scorers of danger, fear to them was a thing unknown. Thus ran their rude song: "The blast of the tempest aids our oars, the bellowing of heaven, the howling of the thunder, hurt us not; the hurricane is our servant and drives us whither we wish to go." Their disposition excited them to fury and destruction; they were brave and obstinate, addicted to brutal drunkenness, and of ravenous appetites. Their religion pictured to them a future land for the brave warrior, where the day should be spent in fearful con-

test, the night consumed in drinking strong wine from the skulls of their dead enemies, and feasting upon the ever replenished food of the wild boar.

Under the cloak of brutality were concealed the elements of a more perfect manhood than the Roman world had ever looked upon. The same disposition which made them cruel, made them brave and energetic. They were men in limb and feature, heart and mind. Proud they were of their large white bodies, proud also of their purity and independence.

The religious character of this people has ever been theistic. Their mode of living, the country which they inhabited, their broad and active intellect, caused them to grasp almost unconsciously the ideas of the Christian teachings of Augustine, and the voice of Luther did not sound in vain the call of the Protestant Reformation. Here Celt and Saxon separated; the one has since remained a Catholic, the other a Protestant.

The political and social ideas of the early Anglo-Saxons stand out pre-eminently as characteristic of their success. A sturdy and self-reliant race, they have shown the love of justice, of liberty, and popular sovereignty in the nature of their customs and institutions. In their township, named from the "tun" or rough hedge which surrounded it, was to be found the early democracy of our modern village. Here, to be sure, was a classification of rank, and the lower looked up to the higher with respect. But all claim to superiority was worthless unless sanctioned by the free recognition of the fellow villager. He was the basis of society. One man was the peer of another in times of peace. "He was the free-necked man, whose long hair floated over a neck which had never yet bowed to a lord." "He was the weaponed man who alone bore sword and spear, and preserved the right of self-redress." When history first records the knowledge of Saxon

customs and institutions, the right of private revenge was already superseded by the establishment of the "blood wite," a money compensation. In their idea of justice, too, was recognized the necessity of man's dependence upon man for the preservation of any regulated form of society, and the sacredness of family influence was called in as an element of restraint. Not the wrong doer, alone, but the family of him that did the wrong, must answer for the crime to the family of the sufferer.

In the village moat, where the Saxons met for the administration of government and the distribution of justice, was the beginning of an institution which, in more recent times, has developed into one of the grandest principles of English and American law. Each man was guaranteed a trial before his equals. Their verdict was the verdict upon which alone his guilt or innocence was established. Here representatives were chosen to attend the kindred court, the court of village appeal, the arbiter of dispute between town and town. In their Witenagemote, or the council of village leaders, is recognized the germ of another custom, which is now the fundamental principle of our political organization. The custom of representation. The four who followed the village reeve to these councils, were held to represent the village from which they came; their voice, their action, and their pledges, were the reflected sentiments of their constituents. But yet higher and more authoritative was the folk moot, the supreme appeal of the land. This was the gathering of the war host, when the entire convention of freemen foretold the future of a government of the people, whose will should be law, and the individual the unit of a popular sovereignty. Add to these characteristics that of energy, and we have formed an adequate conception of the people who have had so vast an influence upon the history of our government. This energy had

caused them to conquer and settle Britain, bringing with them their laws, customs, and manners of living. The Normans came under William the Conqueror to rule, not to remodel the government. The Saxons continued to form under them the great industrial mass of the people, the backbone of the nation.

The Puritans, whom we boast as our ancestors, were the direct descendants of a Saxon people, who, in the pride of their lineage, had preserved its purity with the utmost caution, and Bancroft estimates that of the entire population of the United States, one-third, at least, were descendants of the Puritans. Thus the strength and influence of the Anglo-Saxon element of our State, must be a topic of ever widening interest to the patriotic student of Ethnology. The race characteristics which we have inherited from our English fathers, have converged toward a common center to form the national character of our government. These hereditary ideas are like the elements which unite in chemical affinity to form the most stable compounds, in that however widely they may differ by nature, there is a common tendency to unite at a given ratio to form a new substance, or a new and grand central idea. It is this nucleus around which national character is formed, a national character which is distinctive, and which carries with it a positive conception of the people it represents.

The history of American literature, science, and art, is young; it is yet in the "morning twilight" of its existence, but the elements which have united to give it birth, have predicted its character. A character which other and older nations have looked down upon in silent scorn, if not in open derision. We are called a nation of utilitarians. Our nature has made us practical, necessity has kept us so. Whether to our credit or discredit, the results of our existence upon the civilization of the world, within and without,

must decide. The War of the Revolution was the renewal and re-assertion of old Saxon character, the second infancy of ideas, which, transplanted from the corrupt soil of Great Britain, were about to take root and germinate in the virgin soil of New England. One by one they sprang up anew, and were given form by the exigencies of the times. What wonder that as they became embodied in our literature, they assumed a garb less soft and beautiful, than strong and manly. What wonder that the pamphlets of Thomas Paine, the satires of John Trumbull, the allegories of Francis Hopkinson, the verses of Philip Ferman, all eminently practical in intent and effect, are suited to move the sensibilities of rough but warm-hearted men, to kindle their sympathy, to give impetus to their action! What wonder that such simple but effectual literature should be the first to give character to American writings. In science, the old Saxon love of the good and the useful, has not been lost, but takes pride in the names of such practical investigators as Franklin, and Bowditch, of whom it was said, that "even La Place came mended from his hands." But in art, our architecture stands above everything, as characteristic of our nationality. Unlike the demand in Eastern cities, the demand in our country has been, with few exceptions, for pleasant cottages and modest homes for the mechanic and the farmer, a mark of a more general prosperity, and a nearer relation between man and man, than where the elegance of wide spread and unutilized grounds, the magnificence of princely palaces is to be contrasted with the cheerless and uninviting tenantry of the lower classes, the aristocracy with the people.

From literature, science, and art, we turn to consider religion and politics, upon which, especially, depends the character of a people. With sound ideas upon these two main questions, all minor questions are easily overcome and made subservient. With un

certain and fickle ideas, the future of the state becomes also uncertain and fickle. Like France, it is ever vacillating between different forms of government, too impatient to await fair trial, too prejudiced to give fair judgment. Its history shows it twice an empire, twice a monarchy, and thrice a republic, within the course of a single century. In our country, all artificial ties between church and state have been severed, although the support of both is derived from a common source—a free and unprejudiced people. In no other country in the world has the support of Christianity met with such flattering results in the purity and energy of the clergy, or the morality of the people, as in the United States, when its success has depended solely upon the voluntary contributions and the general good will of society. Our political organization, so peculiar to ourselves, has been the theme of so many eloquent speakers, and able writers, that it needs no further elaboration to portray the influence of the early Anglo-Saxon love of liberty and popular sovereignty upon the present. A government established by the dangers and hardships of a pioneer life, resting upon the integrity and character of its individual members, at present its future, like its past, will be the future of its people.

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### SUNDAY EXERCISES.

#### PRAYING CIRCLE SERMON AND BACCALAUREATE.

Although the excessive heat of Sunday made sitting in a crowded church very uncomfortable, there was an unusually large attendance at both exercises. The sermon before the Praying Circle by ex-President Harris was fully equal to what might be expected from the reputation of the man. It was delivered extemporaneously, in an earnest and familiar manner, and was attentively listened to. The text was Isaiah xl. 26, "He

calleth them all by names," and the speaker dealt especially with the particularizing care of God for individuals. Its full force could only be appreciated by listening to it. Only a small part of the Praying Circle were present, as at the time many of the under-graduate members were out of town. It might be a good plan to change the time of the sermon, having it possibly a week earlier, the last Sunday of the year, proper, when all could be present.

An audience worthy of the occasion greeted Prof. Ladd as he stepped forward to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon. The esteem in which Prof. Ladd is held and the regret at his departure were both shown in the earnest faces of the listeners. The usual sombreness of the old church was diversified by bright dresses and ever-moving fans. The class of '81 presented a good appearance as they slowly marched in and took seats in the midst of the congregation. Prof. Packard aided Prof. Ladd in conducting the services, and delivered a touching and comprehensive prayer. A murmur of expectation arose from the audience as Prof. Ladd stepped forward. He began his sermon in a plain, business like way, and his hearers soon found out that their expectations would be fulfilled. The text was Acts ii. 22, central clause, "Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you." The subject was dealt with under the three general heads of the breadth, symmetry, and loftiness of the character of Jesus. The sermon was especially characterized by earnestness and depth of thought. The parting remarks to the class were eloquent, practical, and appropriate.

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### EIGHTY-ONE'S CLASS DAY.

With every possible adjunct necessary to a good time, the class day of Tuesday, July 12th, was a success. The fogs and mists of morning broke at 9 o'clock and a fresh breeze

and cloudless sky lent their charms to the occasion. At early morning the walks and paths up and down the campus were thronged with people. Friends and parents, sisters and sweethearts—everywhere they walked up and down the walks, and drove about the town. At 10 the church transepts were filled with the friends of the class, and the body of the house fairly taken, and at 10.30 the class marched up the broad aisle. Mr. F. B. Merrill officiated as marshal.

The exercises of the class were presided over very acceptably indeed by the president of the class, Mr. H. S. Payson. The music of Chandler was excellent—the program was carried out as follows :

Prayer.....	MUSIC.	A. E. Whitten.
Oration .....	MUSIC.	J. W. Manson.
Poem.....	MUSIC.	F. L. Johnson.

The heat of the church especially in the transepts rendered these exercises slightly tiresome. They were quite above standard however, in delivery and general excellence, and the fact that the audience sat, almost without exception, to the end is testimony to their unflagging interest. We would heartily commend the distinct delivery of both the oration and the poem, and remark that the general excellence of these productions, which are printed in another column, when joined to such clear delivery could not fail to command the earnest attention which was accorded to them.

The cool, fresh breezes shook the branches of Thorndike oak and blew the bunting in every direction. The class will not soon, we think, forget the scene or the circumstances, how the pleasantest class day afternoon they ever knew passed so smoothly into the things of the past. Nearly every one was there. The platform was crowded with interested ones, mothers who beheld with pride the advent of their children, and fathers who saw

their offspring standing where they stood years before. The boys came on the platform at 3, and Pres. Payson from the stand announced the speakers and their parts in a most happy manner. The opening address of Rogers was suitable. We failed to hear portions, but were in an unfavorable position. In such an address the most that can be said is but little, and this address was certainly all that could be desired.

Mr. Wheelwright's "History" was one of the best productions that we ever listened to. It was an honest picture of '81's career, not flip-pant, not nonsensical, but picturesque, filled with common sense and written gracefully and rhythmically. It failed not to do justice to the class, and it did no more than justice. It expressed the truest beliefs of every one, and every one in the audience we doubt not gave Mr. Wheelwright the credit of having presented not a farcical, foolish production, but a carefully prepared, earnest, thoughtful history of a class deserving such a history.

The class prophecy of Mr. E. O. Achorn was after the manner of prophecies in general. Perhaps prophecies are natural evils and that it is necessary for the audience to be pleased at the expense of the class, if such is the case, Mr. Achorn's prophecy was excellent. He had written regardless of feelings evidently, and if the class could sit uninjured they have indeed learned a valuable lesson in their college life. The composition was good, and various hits were excellent; but some were not in good taste. The best of the prophecy was the closing sections. The delivery was excellent.

H. W. Chamberlain's address was, as was expected, appropriate. He exhorted the under-graduates to prove loyal, to forget enmity and strife, to be willing to live and work for *Alma Mater*. He hoped that '81 would ever be united, and that their college life, just closing, might be an ever strengthening bond of love and affection.



The class ode, sung under the oak, was written by Mr. E. W. Larrabee, and is as follows:

Swiftly has the stream of time  
Brought us to our journey's end,  
Gracious Father: thanks to Thee  
For the blessings Thou did'st send.

Four glad years have passed away  
Fraught with toil with pleasure crowned,  
Dear to us are they, thrice dear,  
For rich treasures we have found.

*Alma Mater*, Mother kind!  
Now thy blessings on us shed,  
Grant that we forevermore,  
May in wisdom's path be led.

The good old custom of the pipe of peace seemed as ever the fitting thing. We are unable to describe the smoke; it was very interesting, and the meerchaum, adorned with many yards of ribbon, passed finally into the hands of Mr. L. B. Lane, as a slight reward for his work on the committee of arrangements.

The class, headed by the band, marched over the campus and cheered every building from Appleton to Memorial, and broke up in front of Cleaveland. The following are statistics of the class:

Largest number ever in the class, 49; number at graduation, 46; average age, 22 years 5 months. There are ten under 21. The oldest man is Whitten, 27 years 10 months 9 days. The youngest man, J. W. Manson, 19 years 3 months 21 days. Average weight, 155 pounds. Heaviest man is Walker, 205 pounds; lightest man, Goddard, 122 pounds. Average height, 5 feet 9½ inches. Tallest man, Achorn, 6 feet 1 inch; shortest man, E. H. Chamberlin, 5 feet 2½ inches. Occupations chosen: law, 12; medicine, 10; undecided, 8; business, 4; ministry, 3; teaching, 5; money-seeking, 2; journalism, 1; jack-at-all-trades, 1; civil engineering, 2; cotton manufacturing, 1. Political preferences: Republicans, 31; Democrats, 13; Greenback, 1; no preferences, 2. Religious preferences: Congregationalist, 18; Unitarian, 5; New Church, 4; Baptist, 2; Catholic, 2; Universalist, 2; Episcopalian, 1; Methodist, 1; no preferences, 11. Favorite studies: English Literature, 13; Chemistry, 13; Political Economy, 3; Greek, 2; Mathematics, 2; Psychology, 2; German, 1; Constitutional Law, 1; Latin, 1; History, 1;

Human Nature, 2; Moral Philosophy, 1; no preferences, 4.

The evening was one of the loveliest of the season. The atmosphere was warm and pleasantly tempered. The moon cast its light everywhere and made the campus splendid with beauty, and crowds of people thronged the grounds, filling the campus with life and motion. The dance opened at 9. Chandler furnished the music. The committee had spared no pains in the way of decorations and the result was charming. The floor for dancing was excellent, and the light very brilliant. The dancing lasted until 2 A.M., and at this hour the dancers departed and left only the deserted campus, and few romantic couples strolling up and down the college walks.

#### THE SEVENTY-NINTH COMMENCEMENT.

Thursday, 81's Commencement day dawned clearly and a cool breeze tempering the heat rendered this one of the pleasantest and most enjoyable days of Commencement week. Owing to the important business before the Boards the formation of the procession was delayed for some time awaiting their adjournment, and it was past noon when the procession started with Hon. C. J. Gilman, of Brunswick, as marshal. In the procession, heading the alumni, were his Excellency, Gov. Plaisted and his full staff. An unusually large assemblage awaited the opening of the exercises in the church.

The productions were, without exception, highly creditable and held the close attention of the audience. They were especially noticeable for the clearness and distinctness of utterance in the various speakers, and it is doubtful if in these respects have been excelled for years, if ever.

Owing to the absence of Mr. Burton the valedictory address was omitted. The program was as follows:

## PRAYER.

Exercises for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science.

Salutatory, in Latin.

Charles Herrick Cutler, Farmington.

Creative Men. Albion Dwight Gray, Dover.

Can Science Dispense with Faith?

Frederic Albion Fisher, Westford, Mass.

Russian Nihilism.

John Oliver Patten Wheelwright, Deering.

Ethics of the American Constitution.

Frederic Clement Stevens, Veazie.

Socrates. William Isaac Cole, Brunswick.

Popular Government.

Henry Loring Staples, Parsonsfield.

The Problem of Civilization.

Harold Wyllys Chamberlain, Brunswick.

Influence of Modern Inventions.

Frank Eugene Smith, Augusta.

Corruption in Our Body Politic.

Clinton Lewis Baxter, Portland.

Exercises for the Degree of Master of Arts and Master of Science.

The Golden Age. Mr. Barrett Potter, Brunswick.

Valedictory Oration.

Mr. Alfred Edgar Burton, Washington, D. C.

## CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

## PRAYER.

## BENEDICTION.

It was past four when the company, taxing the large tent to its fullest capacity, were seated for dining. Pres. Chamberlain, Gov. Plaisted, ex-Pres. Harris, Mr. Blodget, and Prof. Packard occupying seats on the raised platform.

After the banquet, which was an unusually fine one, the time was spent in listening to speeches from the alumni, all the speakers meeting with the closest attention, and being rewarded at the finish by liberal and hearty applause.

The opening words of President Chamberlain were warmly applauded and especially that part wherein he declared Bowdoin not a creature of the constitution, but a part of the constitution itself, and whose privileges in the constitution are among those which are not subject to amendment.

Gov. Plaisted, in response to a call from the President, emphasized the remarks of President Chamberlain, and spoke with vim and enthusiasm of old Bowdoin, "a name sig-

nifying," as he said, "in itself, wealth in honor, glory and intellectual performances."

The remarks of ex-President Harris overflowed with love and regard for the institution, the good deeds done by her in the past, and sincerest wishes for the continuation of a work, which the President in introducing the speaker had remarked to have been begun and set in progress by Dr. Harris. In reply to this, the latter, while claiming some credit, declared "that whatever had been done by me, had now so far progressed that I would never have recognized my handiwork."

Dr. Blodget, who had recently returned from China, gave an interesting account of literature and methods of examination in that country.

Mr. Thomas, of the class of '31, although deaf and blind, amused the audience by the wittiest speech of the day, a speech sparkling with brilliant gems of wit, and bright sayings, delivered in such a manner as attested the powers of the speaker as an orator in days past.

Mr. Thatcher, of the same class, followed this gentleman with an interesting speech.

In response to a call for the representative of '61, Mr. Emery arose, and although, if the gentleman himself is to be believed, he is a model of modesty, and of an exceedingly retiring nature, yet the audience manifested their appreciation of such modesty in the close attention they paid to his remarks, which consisted chiefly of a review of the doings of '61 since graduation, and of these he made an exceedingly creditable showing, notwithstanding, as he confessed with some misgiving, at least six of them were lawyers. The gentleman seemed to take the greatest pride in the fact that of those now living, twenty-five had wives and were the fathers of eighty-five children.

President Chamberlain alluded feelingly to the new departure of Prof. Ladd, and requested the Professor to come forward. The

hearty applause which greeted Prof. Ladd more especially from the graduating class, attested the warm esteem in which the gentleman was held. Prof. Ladd was evidently affected by the situation in which he found himself, and his remarks were of such a nature as tended to strengthen the good feeling toward him, and to cause all to regret the more that a separation was thought necessary.

Prof. Egbert Smythe, of Andover, as a representative of the newly elected professor in the ethical branches, spoke a few words highly commendatory of the exercises he had witnessed, and in praise of the graduating class.

Mr. Palmer and Mr. Howard responded in behalf of the class of '56, and the meeting was fittingly brought to a close with the remarks of Prof. Packard—long continued and hearty applause greeting the grand old professor, as indeed every mention of his name had caused during the day.

With the conclusion of Prof. Packard's remarks, the audience adjourned, highly pleased with the college and the Commencement, and with that peculiarly kindly feeling towards themselves and others which a bounteous and well enjoyed dinner produces.

In the evening a reception was given by the President to the members of the graduating class and their friends. Many of the alumni and friends of the college were present, the large attendance of ladies being especially noticeable. The occasion was, even more than usual, an enjoyable one, and a fit ending to the festivities of the week.

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## COLLEGE ITEMS.

The Faculty hat is a light straw.

Libby, '82, is bell-ringer for next year.

Hon. W. P. Frye has been elected trustee.

"Let each new *temple* nobler than the last," etc.

The Sophomores, like '82, have not buried "Anna." Some of the hay on the campus was *cured* by a new process.

A second edition of the Class Day invitations had to be printed.

'84 Man—"I never did think much of a Sophomore, till now."

The stage in the church wasn't large enough to accommodate the full Governor's staff.

The paths and hedges received their annual brace and looked very finely during Commencement.

Prof.—"What is the greatest obstacle an army can meet on the way?" Student—"The enemy."

C. L. Baxter, '81, and Anson Morrill Goddard, '82, have been awarded Brown Memorial Scholarships.

Commencement Dinner, held under a tent, assumes the aspect of a lively circus when the grand rush for seats is made.

The Examining Committee were informed by one of our Instructors that only one kind of *horse* was known in his recitation.

Some of the Seniors returned looking as though their hands had met a pitchfork handle, and their faces the heat of the hay field.

The town fathers are taking measures to suppress "Vandalism." It is high time they understood that all mischief cannot be laid to the students.

The Freshmen have been praised for passing their annual examinations so satisfactorily. The Sophomores, it is said, did not do so well as last year.

The Greek Prize was awarded to E. A. Packard, with honorable mention of Holden. The papers presented were very even and the award difficult to make.

The most ardent cadet cannot complain that the military department lacks support. If money can bring about the desired end, the drill ought to be most popular.

It cost the Seniors about one hundred dollars to present the band concert for the people's amusement. Isn't the town of Brunswick somewhat indebted to the college for its amusement?

The prizes for target shooting were awarded as follows: The best team shooting, that of Company C. Best individual shot, H. P. Kendall, '83. The prize for best drill was given to H. L. Johnson, '81, the others being dropped from the ranks for what seemed to the spectators a stupid blunder on their part.

Psychology examination. First Ques.—“What is the derivation of Psychology?” Sec. Ques.—“Give the derivation of anthropology?” Voice in the rear—“This isn't a Greek recitation.”

The newly fledged Sophomores, while celebrating their freedom, were stopped by a member of the Faculty. They fail, with others, to see where they were in the wrong, or where was the harm of the demonstration.

Freshman—“What if the committee ask for my cribbed book?” Soph.—“Say you borrowed it of the Prof.” The exegency actually occurs, the advice is followed, and the committee return the book with thanks to the Professor.

'85 makes its bow from the stage of college life, at the entrance examination; its record, as a class, is yet to be made, and we wait with curiosity the developments of next term. The class promises to consist of more than forty men.

“Now is the time for disappearing.” The young alumnus departs with his filter-paper, seemingly, forever; but at his triennial, we shall see him “bob up serenely” and partake in an old-time Bowdoin celebration, as if no *interim* had occurred.

It is to the regret of all that the prospect of being represented in a college regatta had to be given up. There is the consolation that it was not Bowdoin's fault this time, though it seems hard that when we were best prepared there should be no race.

The last vantage of the old gymnasium was removed, with the two shells which were placed in the grass, near Cleaveland. The six-oar has been taken to the boat-house, and the skiff, the first boat in Bowdoin's navy, has been otherwise disposed of.

At the annual meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, held Wednesday A.M., the following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Hon. Josiah Crosby of Dexter, Pres.; Hon. Joseph W. Symonds, Portland, Vice-Pres.; Prof. F. C. Robinson, Sec. and Treas.

'84 made a departure from the usual routine, in holding their class supper at Augusta instead of at Bath. They feel fully satisfied with the change themselves, and certainly obtained a very excellent bill of fare at reasonable rates. The increase of distance to be traveled was the only objection to be thought of. The literary exercises were performed with credit to the speakers, and received with appreciation by the class. They were as follows:

Oration.  
Poem.  
History.  
Prophecy.

A. H. Brown  
C. W. Longren  
H. C. Phinney  
O. W. Means

It is reported that Prof. Carmichael has tendered his resignation as a member of the Faculty. We hope such may not be the case. Prof. Vose is to remain in his old position at an advanced salary. One student in '85 is in his department.

W. A. Perkins, of '83, has taken the Smyth Mathematical Prize. Pettingill and Stetson, honorably mentioned. Considerable credit is due to the successful competitor in this class, as the number electing Mathematics has been large, and all have seemed to do unusually well in this department.

Literary Committee: Prof. H. L. Chapman, Brunswick; Prof. J. B. Sewall, Braintree, Mass.; Hon. W. S. Putnam, Portland; Rev. Edward N. Packard, Dorchester, Mass.; D. C. Linscott, Esq., Boston, Mass. The following men, from the graduating class, were elected members: C. H. Cutler, F. A. Fisher, A. D. Gray, H. L. Staples, F. E. Smith, W. I. Cole, C. L. Baxter, F. C. Stevens, C. E. Harding, W. A. Gardner, and John J. Herrick of Chicago, class of '76.

The Sophomore Prize Declamations were given at the church, on Wednesday, July 6. The class of '83 contains some fine speakers, and the exhibition is spoken of as a very fine one. The first prize was awarded to C. H. Stetson, the second to H. L. Allen. The program was as given:

The Assault on Charles Sumner.  
Speech of Kingian Galhaize.  
Speech of Vindication.  
Mexican Annexation.  
William Lloyd Garrison.  
Abraham Lincoln.  
Heroes of the Land of Penn.  
The Dying Alchemist.  
Barbarity of Notional Hatreds.  
How He Saved St. Michael's.  
Victory in Death.  
Destiny of America.

H. E. Cole  
C. H. Stetson  
G. B. Swan  
N. B. K. Pettingill  
H. P. Kendall  
H. L. Allen  
H. A. Bascom  
R. C. Washburn  
W. A. Perkins  
F. M. Fling  
A. C. Gibson  
A. E. Austin

One by one old landmarks are constantly disappearing; places fresh in our memories are changed and gradually fade away. We experience loss, figuratively speaking, by fire, sword, and famine. Our Professors receive *louder* calls, from richer colleges; the hand of the artisan transforms the crumbling walls into a thing of architectural beauty, but no longer familiar to student mind or muscle; and finally, to consummate the radical spirit of the times, the mischievous torch of the incendiary is applied to one of our most time-honored edifices, with a view of blighting the beautiful surroundings of this institution. Nothing extra has been charged upon our term bills. It has been decided to be the work of yaggers. The little brick building is rising, sphinx like, from its ashes.

The Junior Prize Exhibition was given Monday evening, July 11. The church was crowded with a most cultivated audience, and the exhibition was considered one of the best. The committee, after long deliberation, gave the first prize equally to E. T. McCarthy and C. H. Gilman; and the second to W. O. Plimpton. The speakers and the selections were:

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|---------------------------|-------------------|
| The Pilot's Story.        | M. H. Goodwin     |
| On the Irish Famine.      | M. S. Holway      |
| The Diver.                | C. H. Gilman      |
| Charles Sumner.           | W. A. Moody       |
| Pericles to the People.   | Howard Carpenter  |
| The Drama of History.     | C. E. Stinchfield |
| Death of Benedict Arnold. | J. R. Jordan      |
| Our Soldier Dead.         | A. F. Belcher     |
| Galileo Galilei.          | W. O. Plimpton    |
| Abolition of War.         | G. F. Bates       |
| Trial of Warren Hastings. | G. H. Pierce      |
| Toussaint l'Ouverture.    | E. T. McCarthy    |

The following is a summary of the base-ball nine's work since the opening of the season. Upon examination, it will be seen that Staples leads in fielding, with five games played, while Knapp stands first on seven games. For the batting Stetson is at the head.

NAME.	Games.	Times at bat.		Total bases.	Put out.	Assisted.	Errors.	Batting av.	Fielding av.	
		Runs.	base hits.							
Wilson, p., l.f.....	6	29	6	5	7	11	23	9	.173	.788
Rogers, 2d b., s.s.....	7	33	5	6	6	14	21	10	.182	.778
Gardner, 3d b.....	7	33	4	4	4	23	14	16	.121	.698
Staples, 1st b.....	3	13	0	1	1	30	0	1	.077	.968
Snow, c., r.f.....	7	30	4	7	7	24	5	15	.233	.659
Wright, s.s., p.....	7	29	5	7	8	5	29	9	.242	.791
Knapp, 1st b., c., r.f.....	7	27	5	8	8	38	9	11	.296	.810
Stetson, r.f., 2d b.....	5	18	4	6	6	8	3	3	.333	.786
Haggerty, c.f., 1b.....	7	28	8	4	4	19	0	7	.143	.731
Smith, l.f.....	7	29	5	4	5	14	5	12	.134	.613

The above charges the pitchers and catchers with wild pitches and passed balls as errors.

The following is a comparative summary with opponents.

	A. B.	R.	1B.	T. B.	P. O.	A.	E.
Bowdoins...	269	47	52	47	186	109	73
Opponents...	292	61	74	82	183	106	85

PERSONAL.

[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

'48.—A recent number of the *Journal of Education* contained a sketch of Dexter A. Hawkins, Esq., of New York City.

'54.—Joseph Emerson Smith died suddenly in Chicago, Illinois, June 16th. The burial was at his old home, Wiscasset.

'57.—The Rev. H. R. Howard, S.T.D., has resigned the rectorship of the Episcopal Church, in Pottsdam, N. Y., on account of ill health.

'60.—Capt. Frederick A. Kendall, U. S. A., has been ordered to join his company in Dakota.

'66.—Rev. George W. Kelley preached the sermon at the recent meeting of the Washington County Conference of Congregationalists.

'74.—Elbridge Gerry, formerly of Portland, has been appointed a member of the Elevated Railroad Commission of New York City, by Mayor Grace. Mr. Gerry was a member of the Cumberland Bar before his removal to New York, and is now a member of the law firm of Voorhees, Morrison & Gerry.

'76.—Rev. George F. Pratt has entered upon his duties as Rector of Grace Church, Bath.

'79.—M. K. Page lately graduated from the Law School of Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

'80.—H. A. Wing is on the editorial board of the *Lewiston Journal*.

NECROLOGY, 1880-81.

'18.—Moses Emery; b Poland, July 16, 1794; d Saco, May 12, 1881; age 87.

'19.—James Stackpole; b Waterville, Nov. 8, 1798; d Waterville, July 18, 1881; age 82.

'23.—William George Crosby; b Belfast, Sept. 10, 1805; d Belfast, March 21, 1881; age 75.

'24.—William Mason; b Castine, May 8, 1805; d Charlestown, Mass., March 18, 1881; age 76.

'27.—John Heddle Hilliard; b Gorham, Jan. 13, 1808; d Oldtown, Nov. 30, 1880; age 73.

'30.—Darius Adams; b Gilead, April 1, 1805; d Rockton, Ill., Nov. 5, 1880; age 76.

'32.—Charles Edwards Abbott; b Brunswick, Dec. 24, 1811; d Hartford, Ct., July 25, 1880; age 69.

'36.—Jabez Howard Woodman; b New Gloucester, April 10, 1815; d Boston, March 15, 1881; age 66.

'38.—Stephen Mountfort Vail; b Union Vale, N. Y., Jan., 1818; d Staten Island, N. Y., March, 1881; age 63.

'42.—Charles Packard; b Minot, Oct. 14, 1818; d Windham, N. H., Feb. 20, 1881; age 62.

'43.—Francis Loring Talbot; b Machias, Feb. 29, 1824; d Machias, Nov. 10, 1880; age 57.

'45.—John Parker Skeele; b Kennebunkport, Oct. 11, 1821; d East Bloomfield, N. Y., April 28, 1881; age 59.

'46.—Charles Stetson Crosby; b Hampden, Oct. 2, 1824; d Manchester, Iowa, Jan. 23, 1881; age 57.

'52.—Dana Boardman Putnam; b Rumford, Sept. 19th, 1826; d Boston, Mass., Feb. 11, 1881; age 55.

'53.—Joseph McKeen; b Brunswick, Oct. 15, 1832; d Topsham, Jan. 15, 1881; age 48.

'54.—Harrison Gray; b Danvers, Mass., Oct. 18, 1827; d Danvers, Mass., Feb. 13, 1878; age 50.

'54.—Joseph Emerson Smith; b Wiscasset, Mar. 13, 1835; d Chicago, June 16, 1881; age 46.

'55.—Charles Edwin Shaw; b Portland, Sept. 5, 1835; d Anstin, Tex., Mar. 3, 1876; age 41.

'60.—Chas. Wm. Gardiner; b Hallowell, May 19, 1841; d Cedar Rapids, Mich., April, 1880; age 39.

'63.—Charles Burnham Shackford; b Conway, N. H., Dec. 28, 1840; d Conway, Jan. 1, 1881; age 40.

'73.—Reuben Baston; b Bridgton, Feb. 18, 1850; d Cape Elizabeth, Sept. 28, 1880; age 31.

'75.—Frank Josselyn Lynde; b Bangor, Oct. 2, 1855; d Oct. 14, 1880; age 25.

### IN MEMORIAM.

*Whereas*, By the sad and untimely death of Frank Josselyn Lynde, the class of '77, Bowdoin College, he has been deprived of a much esteemed member, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That while we recognize in this sad event the hand of Infinite Wisdom, yet we can but deplore the loss of our classmate.

*Resolved*, That we would express our high appreciation of his ability and general worth as a student, and of his generous disposition and sterling qualities as a man.

*Resolved*, That with a feeling of the deepest sincerity, we would tender our profound and heartfelt sympathy to the relatives and friends of our late brother, who have realized with sorrow, the sudden breaking asunder of the chain that linked their hearts in cordial love and trusting friendship.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be sent the bereaved family and to each member of the class and be published in the BOWDOIN ORIENT and in the daily papers of Portland and Bangor.

CHAS. E. COBB,  
F. H. HARGRAVES, } Committee.  
J. E. CHAPMAN,

Brunswick, July 14, 1881.

An Irishman having heard that a certain astronomer had discovered an asteroid, remarked: "Bedad, he may have his asteroid, but for meself, I prefer a horse ter roid."—*Yale News*.

### CLIPPINGS.

"Hello, thar!  
Going far?"  
"No; not far."  
"How far?"  
"To the bar."  
"Tm thar."

"Say, Doc., what is good for sore lips?" Oh, I don't know, Vassar-line is pretty fair."

"However great my fall my spirit is unbroken," remarked the overturned bicyclist, feeling in his coat-tail pocket.—*Ex.*

John—"I can marry any girl I please." Tom—"Because you can't please any." Joe—"He had better get a little gal-an-try."—*Ex.*

Schoolmistress—"What is the dative of Donum?" What? Well? Next? Next? "Dunee—"Do'no." S. M.—"Correct; go to the head."—*Lampoon*.

A teacher in a public school gave a sentence to be written and properly punctuated. A boy gave the following as a result of his effort: "The quality of mercy says, "Shakespeare is not strained."

A bridal couple from Lost Cove, at breakfast in Monteaule Hotel, conversed as follows: He—"Shall I skin you a pertater, honey?" She—"No, thank you, deary, I have one already skun."

Prof. (momentarily abstracted)—"My mind reverts to a little piece of paper I once saw in—" Soph. (utilizing the time by consulting his crib, muses)—"Great minds run in the same channel!" *University Herald*.

Gilbert Stuart once met a lady in Boston who said to him: "I have just seen your likeness, Mr. Stuart, and kissed it, because it was so much like you." "And did it kiss you in return?" said he. "No," replied the lady. "Then," said the gallant painter, "it was not like me."

Our exchange editor, after looking in vain through the encyclopedia, asks: "Does any one know where the Nova?" Printer's devil innocently: "What Neva?" And his little brother wanted to know why they put Eddie into that box with brass buttons all over it.—*Ex.*

The feeling of utter loneliness experienced by a certain Junior at the late preliminary examination, on feeling for his faithful pony only to produce a wash-bill from his washerwoman—consequent on a change of raiment—was only equalled by the smile that encircled his facial area as the professor, who had been slyly watching him, gobbled it in.—*University*.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is a matter of regret, perhaps, that our college term begins so late as it does, and the ORIENT issuing from its long vacation feels sadly lonesome. Its first duty, and its pleasantest, is to welcome all its readers, and give all its best wishes for a happy college year. It has its usual quota of offered advice, its usual lack of hearty support, its usual difficulty in picking up the scattered train of thought where Commencement left it, but apart from these it is really glad to look abroad once more over its limited domain. To every student the opening of the college

year is a fruitful period for moralizing. If the moralizing results in increased work and better attention, then it is profitable; if not, it is a waste of brain power, and better not indulged in. The ORIENT has but little advice to give to Freshmen because they will learn, and they will really be well advised by their instructors. The best advice that we could give would be: subscribe for the ORIENT—but desist. The lingering dreams of vacation rambles, the sweet recollections of summer days and nights, and girlish faces, the fond remembrances of sad and tearful partings, if not quite frozen out can not survive October, and we will not advise a systematic uprooting. Suffice to say that the ORIENT comes out with its heartiest greeting, claims the support of every Bowdoin man, and hopes, as ever, to be their property as the students' institution. It remembers with pleasure our respected Seniors of last year, and re-echoes its best wishes for their welfare. It extends especially its welcome to '85, and remarks that it is a fine looking class. And with these preliminary words the ORIENT glides forth into the wide, wide world, the last of the college journals since vacation.

This number of the ORIENT is sent to every member of '85, and will continue to be sent unless otherwise ordered. The earnest support of the Freshman class is especially necessary to us at this juncture, and we trust that the class will appreciate that it owes its allegiance to the ORIENT as an institution of the college, and that it will respond as heartily as the preceding classes have done.

Complaints come to us from the *Bugle* ed-

itors, that money is yet due them. A slight appreciation of the position of the editors would suggest the payment of these bills, and some attempt to lighten the difficulties of a position by no means an enviable one even at the best; nevertheless it is a lamentable fact that a certain class has not, as yet, paid for its cuts. Due regard for the honor and good name of the class would enjoin upon its members the necessity of a prompt attention to this matter.

It is, perhaps quite unnecessary to make the old statement that the columns of the ORIENT are open to contributions from the students, but we make it once more for fear that the students have forgotten it. There seems to be an entire literary stagnation in college. We have felt it our duty to assert this for some time, but have waited in hopes that the long vacation might have offered opportunities which were precluded by college work.

The question of what is to be the type of fall athletics is the prominent one. There has been in many colleges, to a certain extent, a revival of cricket, if it can be said that cricket was not always prominent. We can never remember when this sport was at all prominent in Bowdoin, and the thought is suggested that there is no valid reason why the students should not introduce cricket as a sport in lieu of base-ball. The appearance of knots of students indulging in desultory foot-ball kicking is very well as far as it goes. The usual Sophomore-Freshman game has been played it is true, but how played? We will warrant that not a man was aware of the rules governing foot-ball, and as an inevitable consequence the game presented none of the aspects of foot-ball. As we witnessed it, it was an exhibition of the superior slugging powers of the Sophomores and the timidity of the Freshmen. Now a college without a gymnasium, without a possibility of anything

being done in boating, without any possible chance to do anything at base-ball until summer, must relapse soon into complete indolence unless some sport is introduced. As an initiative step the Seniors hoped to introduce foot-ball, but the attempt seems to have fallen still-born; and as we said before, with the exception of a little desultory kicking there has been no activity. The cause has to be sought, perhaps, no further than in the lateness with which the term begins, but there is no reason why, in the month which remains before snow flies, the matter should not be agitated and many *bona fide* games played. The ORIENT has a valuable legacy to leave to its successors in the protest against this lagging in the beginning of the term, but there is no reason why some of its inconveniences should not be abated.

Our experienced advice to the Freshmen is, form a class organization. Don't be hasty, but you must make the choice soon. It serves as a strengthening of class ties, and sets each member in a common-sense light before his classmates, and insures that the class has been drawn into line and is now marching on with more in common. It matters little whom you make Vice President, because his office is a sinecure, and his only duty is to represent the dignity and grace of an office-holder. It is not absolutely necessary that the President wear eyeglasses, because he seldom appears in public in his official capacity. Don't neglect to take measures to resist aggressions from upper classmen, and don't neglect to draw up a code of morals for your future guidance. Your Treasurer must be honest, and possessed of securities for cash placed in his possession, and must be of a pleasing, beneficent cast of countenance in order that his appearance may be always welcome. Don't neglect to take abundant measures to insure activity in college sports and enterprises. Buy a boat, elect a foot-ball captain, put in a petition

to the Faculty for a new gymnasium (you will be sure to get it), and keep a bold, aggressive front until you don the laurels of next year.

The greatest necessity which we now experience for the first time is a gymnasium. Bowdoin is, we surmise, the only college without some appliances for exercise. Owing to the destruction of the gymnasium, some seventy-five men have taken the drill, but the drill is not well adapted to the wants of boating men or base-ball men. As we have said some dozen times previous, it is as well known to the Faculty as to ourselves. Some one said that why they were throwing bricks into the back window of the chemical building was to build a gymnasium. Some one else proposes that the boys be set to work cleaning the college walks for exercise during the coming winter. This involves a good idea and would develop muscle, but we should miss those delightfully crooked paths that we possess after the snow-plow has been around in winter. The general opinion is that we shall be obliged to do without a gymnasium during the coming winter. The boating men might help themselves some by fitting up rowing apparatus at the boat-house, or in some room in college. We fear, however, and say it sadly, that many will grin with delight as the Senior year passes rapidly away without the inconvenience of having anything to do.

There is no matter more pregnant with thought than the attitude which our instructors assume towards us in regard to excuses. In the main, we are only too happy to echo the opinion of the college that the attitude of the most of our class officers is kind, agreeable, and gentlemanly. To this we will make, perhaps, not the slightest exception, but there are cases, isolated it is true, in which students who have passed the years of minority have been treated like children. This is a condi-

tion of things not conducive to respect either for the system of excuses or that of class officers. No system has ever been more bravely fought on the part of the student body than the system of excuses, and it is marked that the more advanced colleges are abolishing it, but we believe that it is a salutary law when well administered. It is the duty evidently of every class officer to place trust in a student as a gentleman. It is poor recommendation for the teaching of this college when a student, who has passed a length of time under its Christian guidance, is not believed and trusted. Of course the college student is capable of being insulted, and there is no easier method known than to question the truth of an excuse. As was said above, the most successful growing colleges are abolishing the system. Amherst College proposes to go a step farther, and admit representative students from the various classes to the consideration of certain questions intimately concerning them. But these facts apart, we have no idea of attacking a system for which we have an inherent respect. Our wish is only to express a hope that our class officers will endeavor to make it as pleasant as possible, that they will place a belief in the statement of the student who offers an excuse, and that they will remember that the students have rights which they are bound to respect.

#### GOLDEN ROD.

I'm sure I cannot tell you what the feeling is  
That's in my life, which was not known before,  
But when we stood upon the dusty road that led  
Homeward, from out the depths of woodland deep,  
And thou did'st swing athwart the glowing air,  
A rod so tipped with golden fire, that e'en  
The sunlight seemed a moment dimmed, I felt  
A feeling I had never felt before, which grew  
Upon me as we walked, and all around the air  
Was shrill with many voiced insect life. Perchance  
It was the joy that beats in Summer's mighty heart,

Increased by sunlit hills and verduous woods and groves.

*That* would have died with Summer's self, but this remains

With thee as its companion thought,—the two are joined.

Sept. 13th, 1881.

### THE CHOICE OF AN OCCUPATION.

What has this to do with us now, as students, or with our future? In what way can it affect us, or why do we need to make such a choice? Our thoughts and actions depend, to quite an extent, upon what our occupation in life is to be. If we are to have a position to fill, our natural desire is to be qualified to fill that position. We stop oftentimes for fear we may not be worthy of the charge to be entrusted to us. We have need then to make a choice, that we may have something by which to tone our lives and mould our characters, something to restrain our headlong movements and rash projects. This choice of an occupation tends, then, to regulate our lives and characters.

We also need it to bring our powers to a focus. The rays of the sun, which fall upon us, do not singly afford heat enough to set objects on fire. But where a number are brought to a focus by means of the sun-glass, their heat becomes so intense that it readily kindles a flame. So with us, our ideas and efforts may go this way and that, prompted by various impulses, without any apparent effect. We appear to possess genius enough, but it seems to avail nothing. We ought therefore to settle upon something definite, and make a choice, to concentrate our ideas. Then we shall be able to accomplish something, and our abilities will not have been wasted.

But when shall we choose? Shall our choice be made early, or shall we wait until we get older? Some will tell you that it is not best to decide too soon. The times may

change. Also positions may open to you, which you would gladly accept if you had not prepared yourself for something else. Others will tell you that you are not so well prepared to judge when young, as when your mind has in a measure matured by the experience of years. This last, may perhaps be given as one of the strongest reasons why we should not decide too early in life. The youthful imagination is likely to see prospects which appear to glow with a brilliancy that greatly surpasses their real hue. As years add to the store of experience, these prospects gradually assume their real color. Our minds are mature, our ideas enlarged, and we stand upon reality, and not a flash of youthful imagination. We are prepared then to reason candidly, and to fathom the prospects and the times, and look upon life as a reality, and meet its requirements as such.

But let us look at the other side. We all agree that an education is highly important, whatever our pursuit in life may be. Also that it should be acquired in youth. When our minds are developing, we can most easily attain to some degree of excellence. Now if we choose early in life, we can take such a course of study as will fit us for that position. We shall then rise above the ordinary level of people, who have entered upon the same occupation as ourselves, without the proper preparation.

Again, the habits which we form in early life will follow us. If we have no true ideas of what we are living for, we are likely to fall into a state of indifference to the duties of life. Because of this, we are given a looseness of character which will seriously unfit us for the responsibilities entrusted to us. Heedless of the power with which custom fastens upon us, we acquire a habit of indecision, and drift about from one thing to another. We see some people who have never settled definitely upon anything, but have dragged out the allotted time of their



lives in dreaming of the future. So they dream on until they wake up at death's door, and declare that life is a farce and only a state of existence.

But I hear you say how shall we choose? First we should consider our natural inclinations. We are endowed with different talents. Some of us excel in one thing, others in another. One may have a taste for mechanics, and would excel in that branch, while it would be impossible for him to make a successful lawyer. Another may have an inclination for being an artist, and at the same time he could not succeed as a physician. The thing which we are inclined towards, and which we can enter into with our whole soul, and which affords us the most pleasure as an occupation, is likely to be the one in which we will be most successful. The parent too often makes a mistake in choosing for his son. He would have him a professional man, when, if he but studied his natural tendencies, he would find he would make a much better farmer. In most cases, if the ideas of the son are aspiring, it is better to let him choose for himself.

The time of life is to be considered. A man arrives at the age of thirty. Circumstances have prevented him up to this time from deciding upon an occupation. What is he to do? Shall he commence and take a college course? Shall he choose an occupation which will take him several years to get a thorough understanding of? No. In most cases it would be impracticable. In very many instances it would be impossible for a man having arrived at that age, to pursue a course of study successfully. His brain is so matured at that time of life, that it would be difficult for him to grasp those branches, which he might had he begun young and gradually expanded his mind. In the majority of cases, it would hardly be worth the while, either to take a course of study, or to choose a pursuit, which would take some

years to get a thorough knowledge of. He would better choose something which he may enter upon at once. Something that would be adapted to his liking, and beneficial to his pecuniary interests.

Next we should choose with deliberation. The old proverb that "haste makes waste" should be heeded. But we should be careful that our deliberation does not lengthen into delay. We should consider our situation, and also our opportunities. We should study our own abilities as well as the prospects of the age in which we live. We should take into account our financial outlook.

Having considered the various conditions of this choice, we come now to the key of success, determination. Having balanced your situation and opportunities with your ability, say "I will," with determination. Although clouds of discouragement assail you, determination will penetrate them, and bring back the glorious sun of prospect. In this one word you find your expectations realized, and upon this you must found your choice.

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## COMMUNICATION.

*Editors of Orient :*

There is a matter which has for some time furnished opportunity for agitation within the college world, and which has, in a mild way, been discussed by ourselves. We refer to the subject of compulsory attendance at the religious exercises of the college. Undoubtedly, it will at no distant day, receive the earnest attention of our authorities, and in the meantime we submit that criticism and objections are entirely in order. The authorities of several institutions, with a proper sense of the fitness of things, and recognizing the force of public opinion, as expressed by the student body, have made attendance optional, and this is as it should be.

Time was when questions of religion were made a matter for governmental supervision, and appeared in that union of church and state, which is so at variance with our republican institutions, and which has long since met with condemnation. The time has ceased, however, when men acknowledge or submit to such arbitrary and ill-advised intervention, and in matters of conscience in this country, at least, men acknowledge no superior. This change of thought has been accompanied by corresponding statutory modifications. Occasionally, however, some old forgotten law, mouldy, and so far as it concerns any good purpose, useless, is dragged from its obscurity to prove a source of mortification to the innocent transgressor, and a cause for merriment and surprise that men could be so blind and intolerant. As relics of these past ages and intolerant customs, none are more worthy of attention than our present objectionable college laws. It may be thought to be a mark of conservatism,—for be it known we pride ourselves that conservatism is distinctively a characteristic of this institution—this being loth to change our customs; but it should be remembered that conservatism, while implying a cautiousness more than ordinary, does not necessarily compel one to be blind to one's interests, to progress, and to the freest and noblest sentiments, regard for religious and civil liberty. Such a condition of things would result rather from a blind policy, and from a spirit of old fogyism.

Such regulations at any time could not fail of being obnoxious; but there are times when circumstances lead to them a peculiar strength. Enforced in an institution ostensibly established for the purpose of drawing from young men all that is best, and teaching the highest and broadest development, necessitating a mutual feeling of trust and appreciation of responsibility, they are certainly a curious commentary upon such professions. Our authorities can have but a poor idea of

student nature and student morality. To these latter religious feeling and regard for religious institutions must indeed be at a minimum. Or perhaps it may be students are unable as yet to distinguish the good from the evil, or, granted this capability, they willfully choose the latter; and yet such is the only conclusion we are able to draw from the fact that religious exercises are compulsory. But aside from these objections, which may perhaps partake of the abstract in their nature, there are sound sanitary reasons why there should be a change. The temperature of the chapel, from its peculiar heating system, is rarely oppressive, and that it is the source of numerous colds and no little sickness, there can be no good reason for doubt. Of his fitness, physically, to attend these exercises the student himself is the best judge, and surely the present system takes no account of this.

Far be it from our purpose to criticise any well meant, even though ill-directed, religious efforts; but we submit there is abundant room for improvement in this connection. Trust less to arbitrary rules and appeal rather to the maunliness and common sense of the students. To be sure this would seem to be a radical change—a departure from our conservative policy; but that is not necessarily injurious, which, recognizing anything good, gladly embraces it. We believe that no marked deterioration would be observed, and perhaps there may be an improvement. At any rate the experiment is worthy a trial. Religious principles were never instilled through compulsion; nor is spiritual grace an offspring of obedience to statutory laws. Treat the students more like men, gentlemen, and less like irresponsible individuals.

V.

When he returned to his seat in the theatre, and said he had just stepped out to see some one, she gravely responded, "It must have been the Evil One." And when the young man asked "If she saw the cloven foot," she turned up her pretty nose and said, "No, but I smell the clove in breath."

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

'Rah, '85!

The drill booms.

Senior—es last week.

McCarthy, '82, is bell-ringer.

Freshmen all take the ORIENT.

Hutchins, '83, has charge of the cabinet.

Geological plum pudding is a new delicacy.

Professor Vose has been in town for a few days.

"Village improvement" is slowly climbing the hill.

A graduate translates *vale et semper*, "Always the same."

One of the Seniors was lately asked if he belonged to '85.

W. W. Curtis, '82, has rejoined his class and is living in town.

Two *novi homines* got lost the other night in the campus woods.

The monitors at present are Stearns, Russell, Hall, and Gould.

Has '81 degenerated? We hear *Cole* has been in town with a circus.

Some students in Physics are having trouble with "*virtuous velocity*."

Why do the Freshmen always sit down after the first prayer in church?

The former engineering room is used for Greek and Latin recitations.

Juniors are taking their dose of Physics with the usual bitter complaint.

Much sought and long desired—a good crossing at the north campus gate.

The class officers for this term are Professors Lee, Robinson, Avery, and Smith.

Quite a number of the younger alumni were in town at the first of the term.

The country will be startled to learn that *J. Gould* has entered this college.

Prof. Campbell arrived last week and began recitations in Psychology on Monday.

Lennan and Crowley of Bates, and Wheeler of Dartmouth, are the new men in '83.

In Physics: Prof.—"Mr. L., give an example of inertia." Mr. L.—"Wood, sir."

The Delta Kappa Epsilon and Theta Delta Chi Clubs have removed to Cleaveland Street.

A geologist was recently unable to explain the formation and location of *bars* in this vicinity.

A number of students of this college acted as waiters at the Glen House last summer.

Professor Robinson has been teaching Chemistry at the Harvard Summer School during vacation.

There are forty-five names on the Freshman monitor's list, and forty-three men have been in chapel.

Prof. Robinson last week gave the Seniors a few exercises in Mineralogy, and with them visited the cabinet.

Prof. Chapman now has his study in North W. H. Fisher and Johnson have the instructors' room in North Appleton.

Professor Smith still retains the Freshmen in Geometry, while Mr. Fisher hears the class in Algebra during the afternoon.

The library is now open daily from 11.30 A.M. to 12.30 P.M., and from 1 to 3 P.M.; on Wednesday and Saturday from 3 to 4 P.M.

Prof. Lee has called the attention of the Geology class to the distinct stratification seen in the sand pit in front of Memorial Hall.

A crowd warming themselves by the reading-room stove were much surprised when some one noticed that there was no fire in it.

There is a larger number of students rooming alone this fall, than usual, so that the rooms in the college buildings are nearly all occupied.

With Prof. Vose's departure comes the suspension of the engineering department. Students in this course of study will finish with the regular classical division.

'84 as yet has had only a few mild cases of necessary discipline over its *proteges*, and, on the whole, the relations of the two under classes are most friendly.

*Buck number wanted.*—Any one having No. 1, Vol. IV., of the ORIENT, and desiring to dispose of the same, will confer a favor by addressing the business editor.

The attempt of a few Freshmen to hold a *peanut drunk*, on the 14th, was interrupted by the Sophomores, who proceeded to confiscate the usual material of this festivity.

A Freshman was recently visited at night by members of his own class, "taken out" into an adjoining room and put through the usual routine before he discovered the deception.

The Seniors have purchased a foot-ball, and are relieving their oppressive dignity by some lively matches. It is expected that a challenge will be given to other classes.

'85 has done nothing definitely in regard to boating. A crew should be put on the river before colder weather, if possible, as there is no place in which to train during the winter.

The Juniors will not pursue exactly the same order of study as last year. Analytical Chemistry, at present, comes in the Fall Term, while Astronomy will be taken up during Senior year.

The first two weeks of the term were just suited to the majority of Seniors in regard to the amount of work to be done, but meanwhile the class have been whistling "The Campbells are coming."

The boat-house was twice broken into during vacation, and all the locks on the dressing-room closets were forced open. Nothing of importance was missed and none of the boats were injured.

In '83, Corliss, Day, and Hutchins have elected Mathematics; Snow, Woodbury, Wheeler, and Linscott, Greek; none have yet chosen Latin, and the majority of the class are in the Zoology division.

The drill now numbers seventy-five men. J. W. Crosby, Capt.; E. R. Jewett, 1st Lieut.; W. E. Mason, 2d Lieut. Attendance on this exercise is optional, and as there is now no gymnasium it promises to be well supported.

'84, as Freshmen, drew the present Juniors over the line at rope-pull, but have been paid in their own coin by '85. The Sophomores pulled their best but were fairly beaten by the force of numbers, and '85 begins her college course with the rope-pull as her first class victory.

The offices of Senior and Junior Librarians no longer exist. In their place Prof. Johnson is to have one permanent assistant, Longren, '84. The reasons of this change from the old custom are obvious, and the advantageous results are the facilities for work in the library and the increase of the hours of access.

The address of President Chamberlain at the chapel, Sunday, the 9th, on the death of President Garfield and the loss to the college by the decease of Dr. Greene, was received by all present with interest and attention. It was much regretted that the darkness prevented completion of the discourse at that time.

'81 did not present their boat to the association, but voted to offer it for sale, intending to devote the proceeds to the purchase of some presentation for the

library. The boat rests in its old place at the boat-house, and terms can be obtained of the class committee, John Dike, Brunswick, and H. S. Payson, Portland.

Arrangements were made for the usual scrub race, to be held last Saturday. Some of the crews, however, were broken up by the absence of several boating men, and unfavorable weather caused the final postponement. Under these circumstances there will probably be no more rowing until next spring.

A life-size portrait of John A. Andrew, by Alfred Ordway, after Wm. M. Hunt, has been given to the college. The name of the donor is not now made public, but the thanks of all are none the less due. The painting is intended for the main room in Memorial Hall, but is placed, for the present, in the north wing. In the library is an interesting memoir of Governor Andrew which the students may desire to read in this connection.

The Boating Association has elected the following officers: W. O. Plimpton, Commodore; A. E. Austin, Vice Commodore; H. E. Cole, Treasurer; J. A. Waterman, Secretary; E. U. Curtis, E. A. Packard, A. H. Brown, Directors. The Treasurer reported \$9.61 in the treasury, \$10 due on the Junior's boat, and \$6 on that of the Sophomores. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. E. R. Jewett for the presentation of the flag to the boat-house during the Summer Term.

A base-ball meeting was held October 8th, at which the following officers were elected: President, H. Carpenter; Vice President, E. A. Packard; Secretary, Phinney, '84; Treasurer, Jackson, '83; Assistant Treasurer, Clark, '84; Directors, Bates and Jordan, '82, Wright, '83. The Treasurer then reported \$15.45 in the treasury. The Directors have since chosen the first five men of the nine for the coming year, viz., Wright, Knapp, Packard, Stetson, and Waterman.

The different societies have pledged the following men: Theta Delta Chi: Alexander, Brown, Butler, Chase, Cook, Davis, Dunham, Fulsom, Harding, Kendall, Lunt, Libby, Powers, Wardwell, of '85, and Barton, of '84; Delta Kappa Epsilon: Bartlett, Cutter, Eames, Guddard, Hodgkins, Manson, McDonald, Peters, Phillips, Strout, of '85, and F. H. Eames, '82; Psi Upsilon: Allen, Ford, Freeman, Gould, Howard, Lee, Mooers, Thornton, Webb, of '85, and Wheeler, '83; Alpha Delta Phi: French, Goodenow, Dyer, Nealley, Thomas, of '85; Zeta Psi: Lenman and Crowley, of '83.

We have not yet learned the condition of the fund to furnish a memorial of Dr. Greene. The movement is one of the best for many reasons, for of all the teachers that Bowdoin ever possessed, we are certain that none was ever better fitted for this position and none has left deeper feelings of admiration in his students than he. The general call for support towards the movement has been widely circulated throughout the State and New England, and is, we hope, favorably progressing.

A fine album, containing photographs of the entire class of '81, has been presented to the college by the class, and is placed in the library. The pictures are arranged in alphabetical order, and on the first page is a list giving the full name of each member. All the likenesses are well executed and form a pleasing memento of the late Seniors. The gift establishes a precedent for succeeding classes to follow, and it is suggested that as Mr. Reed, the photographer, retains many negatives it would be easy to make similar collections of former graduates, and that the older alumni may possess sets of class pictures which they would be willing to offer as permanent loans to the college.

The first of the annual Sopho-Fresh ball games was played on Saturday, October 8th. These games may not be of so much *professional* importance upon our college record, but certainly seem to excite as much interest among the students as the more weighty inter-collegiate contests. Without this opportunity to exercise our wit at the Freshmen's expense, the opening of the year would be dull indeed. Of the game little can be said, except that it was a "walk over" for '84. The Sophomores treated the Freshmen at the bat and in the field with the usual amount of *chin*, but did not seem to over-terrify them. Five innings, occupying one hour and forty-five minutes, brought out the most brilliant points of '85's nine. Their best talent was illustrated by the rapid delivery of the pitcher, the *frills* behind the bat and the home-run on a foul ball. The Sophomores were all right, as usual, in their pitching, and were easily able to cook that of the Freshmen. The few really good plays on both sides were warmly applauded, and at the close of the game considerable heartfelt sympathy was manifested for the benighted and crest-fallen Freshies. The score 21 to 1.

The annual game of foot-ball between the Sophomores and Freshmen was played on the campus, in front of Appleton Hall, Friday p.m., October 7th. It was by far the most interesting and hotly-contested game since that between '80 and '81. The Freshmen

outnumbered the Sophomores nearly two to one; but when the blood-thirsty Sophs. marched out from South Appleton, in pugilistic costumes of various descriptions, singing that soul-stirring melody, "Old Phi Chi," the heart of the Freshman sank within him. In the first rush the Freshmen gained an advantage; but this only raised the Sophomoric wrath, and hurling a volley of strong language at the Freshmen, the Sophomores, with a desperate effort, maintained their ground in the second rush. Then followed a series of rushes in which the Sophs. slowly gained ground, although the Freshmen stood them good play, despite timidity. After the game had lasted about forty minutes, the Sophs. came off victorious. Wright ended the game by kicking the ball over the line in the eleventh rush, and was borne off on the shoulders of his jubilant classmates. The Sophs. evidently struck out from the shoulder in good earnest, without respect for eyes and noses, judging from the looks of some of the Freshmen after the game. E. U. Curtis, '82, acted as referee. Swan '83, was judge for the Freshmen, and Collins, '83, acted as judge for the Sophomores.

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## PERSONAL.

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[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

'44.—Louis A. Estes took his degree last Commencement.

'47.—Geo. S. Peters died last week at Ellsworth.

'48.—Dexter A. Hawkins who presented the college, last summer, with a fine painting, was in town last vacation.

'57.—Rev. Albert H. Carrier, Congregationalist minister in Lynn, Mass., has accepted the chair of Sacred Rhetoric and Theology at Oberlin College.

'59.—Horatio O. Ladd is President of the University of New Mexico, Santa Fé, N. M.

'65.—Charles Fish, formerly the successful principal of the Oldtown High School, is now principal of the Brunswick High School.

'66.—John P. Gross died at Plainfield, N. J., Sept. 30th. He was Superintendent of Schools at that place.

'68.—Robert L. Packard, a son of Prof. Packard, is now at home visiting his friends. He is connected with the Ethnological Survey under Major Powell.

'78.—G. C. Prington, the former principal of the High School here in Brunswick, is now principal of the Auburn High School.

'82.—C. E. Stinchfield is teaching at West Auburn.

'83.—C. H. Stetson is teaching at New Harbor.

'84.—S. R. Childs is teaching at North Turner.

#### CLASS OF 1881.

Achorn, principal of High School at South Abington, Mass.

Baxter, in business with Portland Packing Co., Portland, Me.

Briry, at home, Bath, Me.

Brown, civil engineer at Bangor, Me.

Chamberlin, E. H., at home in Westford, Mass.

Chamberlain, H. W., is taking an advanced course in Constitutional Law at the college.

Cobb, reading law in his father's office, 31½ Exchange Street, Portland, Me.

Cole, teaching in Tabor Academy, Marion, Mass.

Cutler, studying at Cambridge, Mass. He has been appointed Tutor under Prof. Chapman, at the college.

Dike, editor of *Brunswick Herald*, Brunswick, Me.

Donovan, teaching High School at Bristol, Me.

Fisher, Tutor of Mathematics at the college.

Gardner, at Bryant & Stratton's Commercial School, Boston, Mass. Address, 20 Milford St.

Goddard, assisting the Commissioner in the revision of the statutes of Maine.

Gray, teaching the South Grammar School at Bath, Me.

Greene, at work in Cabot Co.'s Mills, Brunswick, Me.

Haggerty, studying medicine at home in Webster, Mass.

Harding, at home in Hallowell, Me.

Hathaway, at home in Hallowell, Me.

Hitchcock, studying medicine at home, Strong, Me.

Johnson, F. L., has been appointed to the U. S. Signal Service, and will be at Fort Myer for six months from the first of January.

Johnson, H. L., assistant of Prof. Carnichael at the college.

Joyce, at home in Brunswick, Me.

King, studying book-keeping with Capt. Bates at the college.

Lane, teacher of the Grammar and High School at Canton, Me.

Larrabee, clerk in P. O. at Gardiner, Me.

Little, in business with Dana & Co., Portland, Me.

Manson, G. F., has just returned from his European tour and is now studying medicine under Dr. Packard, Bath, Me.

Manson, J. W., at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Address, 70 Garden St.

McGillicuddy, reading law in office of Frye, Cotton & White, Lewiston, Me.

Merrill is civil engineer for the pulp mill at Yarmouth, Me.

Nichols, at home in Farmington, Me.

Payson, reading law in office of W. L. Putnam, 38 Exchange St., Portland, Me.

Pettingill, Principal of Academy, Blue Hill, Me.

Rogers, at home, Pembroke, Me.

Sawyer ?

Shaw, reading law in the office of Hon. Stillman B. Allen, 5 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.

Smith, at Bryant & Stratton's Commercial School, Boston, Mass. Address, 20 Milford St.

Snow, at home in Brewer, Me.

Staples, in business with his father at Parsonsfeld, Me.

Stevens, reading law in the office of A. W. Paine, Bangor, Me.

Towle, reading law in the office of Hastings & Son, Fryeburg, Me.

Walker, studying medicine, Thomaston, Me.

Wheelwright, reading law in the office of Drummond & Drummond, 93 Exchange St., Portland, Me.

Whitten, Principal of Mattanawcook Academy, Lincoln, Me.

Wilson, bookkeeper for Wheeler & Swift, Portland, Me. Address, 342 Spring St.

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## COLLEGE WORLD.

### COLUMBIA :

Prof. H. H. Boyesen is to fill the position as Instructor in the Department of Modern Languages.

It is rumored that H. T. Peck (Smintheus), '81, is to receive the appointment of Tutor in the Latin Department.—*Spectator*.

### HARVARD :

The Freshman list numbers 210.

The interest in foot-ball is increasing and a meeting has been held in which an association was formed.

Fifteen thousand "blue books" are consumed in "annuals" at Harvard, the students paying about \$600 for them.

Mr. Moses King, former editor and publisher of the *Harvard Register*, has started a publishing house in Cambridge.

Mr. Riddle has resigned his position at Harvard, and is to play *Oedipus* in the Greek with an English-speaking support.

There are to be no class races this fall.

The last *Advocate* relates the sudden death of Mr. Arthur Orcutt Jameson, who graduated at the head of the class of '81.

#### PRINCETON:

Last year's boat club receipts amounted to \$4,611.

The *Princetonian* enumerates a total of 177 Freshmen.

#### YALE:

About 170 Freshmen.

The oldest existing literary society in the U. S. is at Yale. It was organized in 1768.

Yale is to have fine new athletic grounds. \$20,-000 has been subscribed towards them.

The *Record* announces that its Board is hereafter to devote more attention to the literary and other departments and curtail its number of editorials.

At Yale this year the valedictorian was a Hebrew, the salutatorian a German, and the prize declaimer a Chinaman; but the pitcher of the base-ball club was an American.—*Ex.*

Dr. Porter, of New York, has given \$150,000 to Yale College, Hon. Lafayette S. Foster \$40,000 to the Law School, and the late Professor Smith \$60,000 to the Medical School, all within the past year. The last is contingent.

#### ELSEWHERE:

The Senior class at Cornell numbers 87, of whom 74 are men and 13 women.

Williams has 84 Freshmen.

The *Brunonian* says: "'85 numbers about 85."

Harvard College was named after John Harvard, who, in 1638, left to the college £779 and a library of 300 books; Williams College was named after Col. Ephraim Williams, a soldier of the old French war; Dartmouth College was named after Lord Dartmouth, who subscribed a large amount, and was President of the first Board of Trustees; Brown University received its name from Hon. Nicholas Brown, who was a graduate and endowed the college very largely; Columbia College was called Kings College till the close of the War for Independence, when it was named Columbia; Bowdoin was named after Governor Bowdoin of Maine; Yale College was named after Elihu Yale; Dickinson College was named after Hon. John Dickinson, who made a very liberal donation to the college and was President of the Board of Trustees for a number of years; Cornell University was named after Ezra Cornell, its founder.

If you doubt whether you should kiss a girl, give her the benefit of the doubt.—*Ex.*

## CLIPPINGS.

Oh pulchra puella,  
Do look on a fellah,  
Qui can't under your winder.  
Clara luna lueit,  
Dulce amor ducit,  
For what the deuce is to hinder.—*Ex.*

Fresh.—"May I have the pleasure." Miss Society—"Oui." Fresh.—"What does 'we' mean?" Miss S.—"O, U and I!"

A student objects to another's wearing a plug hat, because, he says "It looks so much like a church with a grog shop in the basement."—*Ex.*

Joe—"Jim, you look twice as well since you shaved off your siders." "Jim (blushing)—"Don't pay compliments to my face, Joe."—*Tablet.*

Prof. to Soph. (pointing to a prodigious expectation on the class-room floor)—"Quid est hoc?" Soph. (in quivering accents)—"Hoc est quid."—*Ex.*

Professor—"Mr. M., I suppose you have often hung around the gate bidding your girl good-night." Mr. M.—"Oh, no, Professor, I always hang around the girl."

Boy (to lady visitor)—"Teacher, there's a gal over there a-winking at me." Teacher—"Well then, don't look at her." Boy—"But if I don't look at her she will wink at somebody else."—*Graphic.*

"Mr. Boatman," said a timid woman to the ferryman who was rowing her across the river, "are people ever lost in this river?" "Oh, no, ma'am?" he replied, "we always find 'em again within a day or two."—*Ex.*

A lady with a fatal squint came once to a fashionable artist for her portrait. He looked at her and she looked at him, and both were embarrassed. He spoke first:—"Would your ladyship permit me," he said, "to take the profile? there is a certain shyness about your ladyship's eyes which is as difficult in art as it is fascinating in nature."—*Ex.*

#### AN OLD RONDO.

Her scuttle hat ys wondrous wyde,  
All furry, too, on every syde.  
Soe out she trippesh daintlye,  
To leit ye youth full well to see,  
How fayre ye mayde ys for ye bryde.

A lyttle puffed, may be, bye pryde,  
She yet soe lovelye ys that I'd  
A shylyngs gyve to tye, perdie,  
Her scuttle hatt.

Ye coales into yet scuttle slyde,  
Soe yn her hatt wolde I, and hyde  
To stele some kysses—two or three;  
But synce she never asketh me,  
Ye scornful cynic doth deryde  
Her scuttle hatt!

—Frank D. Sherman (E-editor of *Acta*) in *Scribner*.

## EDITORS' TABLE.

The ORIENT is somewhat late in greeting its exchanges, owing to the lateness with which our term begins. Most of our exchanges show signs of improvement after a summer's recreation. The memory of breezes from sea or mountain breathes through them, and invigorates them. A disposition is shown to take hold of all college work in dead earnest. No lack of interest in college progress appears, notwithstanding past defeats. An unusual attention to questions of importance in college life and discipline is manifested, and every one seems wide awake and confident of success in the future. There have been many losses to college journalism, but this leaves places to be filled and offers a chance to rising ambition. Much of the literary matter shows in it the result of vacation experiences. The light, airy sketches which were so successful in some of our Eastern papers last year (for the West rarely produces anything light) are, apparently, very popular this year. A few are good, but most are very commonplace. Some very pleasing little bits of poetry on more or less sentimental subjects, have been put forth. Editors seem to have had a dislike of solid, literary work during vacation, if we may judge by the lack of critical or historical essays. The death of Pres. Garfield has given an opportunity for a wearisome outpouring of mediocrity, which can only be tolerated on account of its sincerity. As a general thing the shortest notices have been the best.

The dailies, the *Harvard Echo* and *Yale News*, reaches us regularly and both show an improvement. We endorse the general verdict of the college press that the *Yale News* is the leading college daily.

Of course a portion of the space in all college papers, has been allotted to the Freshmen. Advice, admonition, and ridicule have been showered upon them. The *Acta* contains a few words, sensible as well as witty, which will apply to colleges nearer home than Columbia:

"To the Freshmen we give a word of advice. Do not be in too much of a hurry to elect class officers. Do not elect a man president of your class because he is six feet tall and has an incipient moustache. Do not elect a man vice president because he is a 'ba-ud man.' Do not elect a man secretary because he was conditioned in Rhetoric. And, above all, do not elect a man treasurer of your class because he has an alligator skin pocket-book and his brother is a cashier in a bank."

The *Spectator* begins its ninth volume with a very lively number. Its sketches are better than usual. The collection of "'Puck'-ery Poems" is

the worst abuse of English we ever came across. We give one of the best or rather the worst:

"There was a young man in a brougham,  
Whose face ill-betokened the gloungham  
That he sought to assoungam,  
When he called to his grougham,  
John, drive to the family tougham."

Two numbers of the *Argo* have reached us. Our new friend promises to take a high position. It is at present regaling its readers with continued Indian stories. A long article on the "Poetry of Tobacco" shows curious investigation, and is a novelty. "Moonshine," by William White, of course a parody on "Sunrise," is utterly devoid of point and ought not to have appeared in a paper like the *Argo*.

The *Chronicle*, a paper which certainly shows as much solid ability as any college journal, appears decked out in a new and becoming dress, with very pretty and appropriate engraved headings to the different departments. "Co-eds" are on the increase, and the *Chronicle* looks forward to the time when the university will become a female seminary.

The *Occident*, a new paper, a rival of the *Berkeleyan*, is a cheap-looking affair. The University of California ought to publish one good paper instead of two such ones as they do.

The last *Crimson* has the following:

## "WHO IS TEDDY?"

"Who is Teddy?" Why, a curly,  
Shaggy poodle, with his hair  
Banged artistically by nature,  
Over eyes the bluest pair;  
And a ribbon of like color  
On his little neck he wears,  
And he's full of wiles and wittings,  
Full of dainty doggy airs.

"Friends has Teddy?" Why, 'most every  
One who sees him cries, "How sweet!  
Just too awfully cutely cunning!  
See those killing little feet!"  
"Do I like him, and, as others,  
Date upon his pretty way?"  
Little wretch! 'd like to choke him,  
Or in some way end his days.

Ask you wherefore? I will tell you,  
Little Jessie, sweet and coy,  
Is the mistress of this Teddy;  
And it doth my heart annoy,  
When she flies from my advances  
Laughing gay at my distress,  
And then catching up this poodle,  
Fondles him with soft caress.

"Have I told her?" Oft I've told her  
'Twas a crying sin to waste  
On an un-aesthetic puppy.  
Love with so much beauty grazed.  
"Pray take me, a fitter object,"  
But at this, with merry glee,  
Off she skips and Teddy with her,  
Leaving but chagrin with me.

Does it then so strange appear  
That I hate this "Teddy Dear"?



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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

While the month of October has been tripping along on its life-journey, the green of the campus trees has been steadily keeping it company, and to-day both are gone together. Beg pardon for remarking, but the weather has been despicably cold during the past few weeks, and it gives one such a feeling of sadness to plough his way along the paths through the dry and shriveled leaves, while the west-wind is singing a lullaby in the tree tops, that we stop in our business to remark. We have had little of the ordinary beauty of the cam-

pus this fall, none of the delicate colors in autumn leaves, none of the luxuriant, hazy autumn days which we usually expect on our return to Brunswick, for all of which we are truly sorry. Perhaps it is just as well, but we often contrast the pleasure which Yale Seniors enjoy in their mineralogical expeditions with Professor Dana, under the mild New Haven method of conducting the weather with the hilarity we should find in following Professor Lee on similar trips in overcoats and mittens.

We should suggest to the different societies that it is time for the various editors of the *Bugle* to be appointed. The *ORIENT* of November 10th, 1880, remarks that the *Bugle* editors have been around soliciting subscriptions. Although the term is late this year, we should think that this week would not be too soon. There is no reason why the *Bugle* should not pay, at least, we can see none. We hope that the editors will put in an appearance soon, and give our best wishes that they may be capable, all of them in love with their work, and none of them lazy. The college will support a first-class *Bugle*, as it has always done.

The *Harvard Advocate* refreshingly remarks: "It is very interesting to a Harvard man who has never seen what is termed hazing, to read in college papers, articles which lead him to believe that at most colleges a Freshman's life for the first days or weeks is misery itself." The writer adds, "The man who hazes disgraces himself and his college and should be suppressed." This is the common voice of the college press and we quote it only to show

the tendency which the modern college system is taking. That the tendency is towards the dawn of a better college life, none will attempt to deny. We have no desire to pursue a distasteful subject. Hazing with us is not a debatable subject, and thus the events of the past few weeks should show. It is impossible to confine it within limits, and Bowdoin has been the sufferer many long years through ignorance of this fact. We are not alone in being inmates of a college in which this half dead element has recently arisen. We have reason to believe from the *Princetonian* that hazing has appeared at Princeton, and the *Princetonian* takes occasion to hope that it will cease in the future, and remarks that Princeton, with her record in the past, cannot afford to injure the good name she is gaining. We venture the statement that hazing here is confined within such limits that the perpetrators of every act are known to the majority of the students, and that they are considered responsible for the unenviable name which our college is again gaining throughout the State. The sentiment of the college is not in favor of throwing bricks or injuring Freshmen, but in favor of peaceful, every-day, common-sense behavior. Hazing is formidable in the degree to which it is carried, and, although the perpetrators have been unlucky this year, yet we can find no excuse in this fact, but are only so much the more prejudiced against such dangerous pastime. If those concerned would remember that it is not so funny as it used to be, not so much in vogue in the college community as formerly, they might be constrained to stop if college authority found no means of prevention. We greatly deplore the unhappy beginning of '84's Sophomore career, and wish them a better record in the future.

There are quite a number of plans of the Boat Course at Appleton. Any wishing to purchase these as articles of curiosity or

through desire to aid the boating association, can do so by calling at 28 Appleton. It is desired that we call attention to the fact that relics of the engineering department are scarce, and that this is the last opportunity of purchasing.

The past week has developed the need of new crossings at the north entrances to the campus, and we have reason to believe that we shall often experience their need before winter is through. We don't know that it comes within the province of the college to disturb public ways by the laying of crossings, but presume that the town would not object if they were placed there, and we would really like to have them. In summer and winter the street is being continually crossed, and is just as continually dusty or muddy. Last week, sand and water were mingled six inches deep, and nothing availed but rubber boots. We presume a petition to the town of Brunswick would do the business, but as it is we fear that we must stand and wait, or jump. If the town were thoughtful it would object to this undignified expedient, especially for Seniors, and if this were a co-educational institution, regard for the girls' feelings in muddy weather would demand a dry crossing, either of which suppositions are highly improbable. Perhaps the surest way to get a crossing, however, would be to petition for co-education.

A statement from the manager to the effect that the band is actually an existing reality, surprises us into a few remarks. We wish to encourage the movement. The other day a musician begged us not to remark until the band got running, as if remarks of ours would prove detrimental. We beg pardon; our chief desire is to aid the movement in every possible way. A real live college band is a luxury, one possessed by few colleges and in every way a pleasant thing to have in the



vicinity. Our active leader deserves praise for his efforts. The organization already numbers nineteen musicians, with every likelihood of more. The Freshmen are an important factor, numbering more than a proportionate part. Time was when the college band was a famous institution. From the days when it discoursed under Thorndike Oak up to the eve when it gaily piped the patriotic tunes of "John Brown" and "Yankee Doodle" in honor of the newly-elected president, it has been existing more or less animatedly; sometimes practically defunct, sometimes defiantly active, until to-day it rises from the tradition of the past, prepared to do duty or die. Every good wish for the institution which Bowdoin claims as distinctive, and may it so progress that when the balmy zephyrs of the spring-time blow, the band may assemble in its old-time place and make the evening air swell with harmony.

The communication in this issue signed "N. G.," contains an item of advice very acceptable, no doubt, to the majority of base-ball lovers, and shows a possible means of preventing a recurrence of the condition of affairs in which the college nines of the State found themselves at the close of last season. The writer points out a very feasible method of attaining this end, and it is with pleasure that every student will welcome any plan by which more games may be played in Brunswick. We would venture to supplement the article with the wish that the college will not rest content with the simple championship of the State. It would be most pleasing to all, no doubt, if Bowdoin could extend the circle of her base-ball acquaintances, and we consider that last season's work on the diamond was the most successful that Bowdoin ever knew, simply because the nine learned something, and because the college lifted its voice from out the silent circle of its Maine environment. We didn't carry off the somewhat

abstract championship of the State, but we did have a good nine for a nine that had never before, in its capacity, mingled in better company. Williams College has lately decided to apply to the league for admission, and this fact will build up a nine and do the college no harm assuredly.

There is only one thing that would prevent us from following, in application at least. It is not lack of time, money, or interest, but simply distance—a barrier practically insurmountable. What we are coming to is this. Let us repeat the expedition of last year, and on a larger scale if possible, and then time will remain to play the State colleges. We would, therefore, commend the communication and its suggestion as far as it goes, but propose that we do not follow in the old and conservative method pursued since Bowdoin's base-ball was born. We really do hope that, although we have able antagonists within the State, the college will once again send their representative nine abroad, and inform the New England colleges that it is distance alone that prevents Bowdoin from learning to play modern base-ball from accomplished teachers. We urge, then, that the directors have constantly in view this end, and that the nine, if there be one, make arrangements for the winter's work.

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#### POEM.

Two students chanced to stroll one day  
Among the woodland bowers,  
Each with a maiden by his side  
To cheer the fleeting hours.

They wandered through the shady dells  
And talked of Nature's beauties,  
And cooed, as turtle doves oft coo,  
Performing Love's sweet duties.

A swollen brooklet crossed their path,  
Which stopped their pleasant musing,  
For, while the youths could cross with ease,  
Yet stayed the maids, refusing.

Then pride inspired the brave young men,  
All thought of self forgetting,

They quoth, "We'll play the part of bridge  
And save your feet a wetting."

"So be it," cried the maidens fair,  
"We'll seek no other passes,  
For, like Pythagoras of old,  
You build a bridge of asses."

### A ROMANCE.

"Yes, George, it was a sad experience; and how the falling rain, the southing pines, and general gloom, suggestive of broken vows and shattered hopes, recall those old forgotten hours. And yet it was not long ago, but one short year, and on such a night as this, too,—a night fit to be the anniversary of that eventful eve."

My chum's words set me musing, and an uncontrollable spirit seized me to give away an incident unknown and unsuspected; an act in a fitful drama of love. It was indeed such a night as this which brought a climax to my chum's delirium of love's young dream. The pouring rain, driven by the wind, rattled against the windows, the coals glowed red, casting fantastic shadows upon the wall, forming a pleasant contrast to the darkness and gloom without. Shivering, I drew my chair to the fire, inwardly pitying my chum exposed to such a night, for he was absent. I felt a premonition of impending evil as I meditated upon the surprising change brought to my chum in so short a period.

A moral, modest, studious youth, festive, fun-loving, and withal independent, possessing something above us ordinary mortals, I more than respected him. A lofty scorner of woman's powers and hater of her wiles, he saw more joy about the hearth and table, in discussions upon the comparative merits of Porter on the intellect and Porter on the stomach, and at times content to wile away the time at draw; and 'twas thus he lived.

A change came o'er the spirit of his dreams, and anxiously I watched its progress,

for, be it known, I had been there. It is an old story. They met at a church sociable—he a sturdy youth, a humble, Christian maiden she. Yet, strange to say, 'tis such, the strongest charms possess, and my chum yielded. Her home was in Topsham, and oft, on starry eves, my chum wended his devious way, returning home, not too early to disturb me, and generally in time for morning prayers, to weary me with his ravings. I compassionately bore with him and mused much on what he said of the old gentleman, the prospective father-in-law, for I, in my capacity, a purchaser of field-day cider, had met with, and, be the truth told, imbibed with him, a jovial, genial, bucolic Topshamite, whose rosy visage and rubicund nose proclaimed his fondness for the cup that cheers and inebriates.

To a person of my chum's refined sensibilities associating with such an old toper, for such indeed he was, could not but prove disagreeable, for my chum was an ardent supporter and advocate of temperance—in others, and especially in old persons.

Then the symptoms daily grew in strength, and vows, personal deprivations multiplied until at last even the strong love for his pipe succumbed, and my chum swore off from this, rejecting scornfully my proposition that he await New Year's, when such vows could be made with safety. He no longer contented himself with escorting her home, but deemed it incumbent upon himself to await the retirement of the old folks, which early took place, with the slight reservation that the old man retired to the back kitchen, and solaced his loneliness with the ardent.

It was upon such an errand that he was absent upon the night in question, promising an early return. At twelve I retired, not satisfied. My sleep was fitful, and more than once I was awakened by the violence of the storm, and occasionally going to the window, tried to pierce the darkness without. Returning I stirred the fire in the grate until it glowed

again, muttering words by no means complimentary to my absent chum. At last I was roused by strange and startling noises upon the stairs without, evidently caused by a cripple or an intoxicated person. My experience furnished no precedent for the former supposition, hence the natural inference. It was true, and the cause of the uproar was my own chum, my immaculate chum. But alas, not the sprightly, natty youth of but a few short hours before.

With the stony, semi-intelligent, semi-idiotic gaze, and foolish smile, my chum began a peculiar and ludicrous narrative. His words were somewhat unintelligible, through an unaccountable thickness in his voice, caused, he said, by the fog with which his mouth was filled. He stopped now and then to straighten his back, and on hands and knees to press down the floor, which, he said, "kept rising up."

It was late when he started for home, as he had given the old man, his prospective father-in-law, a lecture on temperance. On his way, startled by groans, he turned aside, and—"never sh'd believed it"—had found a drunken man sunk to his neck in the mud on Main St.

Having spent the night in vain attempts to obtain aid, he had at last brought the unfortunate man with him, and left him at the door below. "Am tired out." With these words he sank in a heap, with an idiotic smile wreathing his countenance.

The storm had ceased; day was breaking as, more than half doubting his words, I went below. It was true; there lay his companion, and the condition of his clothes justified my chum's story. But, beneath the mud and rags, I recognized an old friend—there, calmly sleeping, lay the bucolic Topshamite—the father of my chum's intended. I laughed.

Need I say my chum no longer crossed the river? The incident was kept a secret, and thereafter, instead of taking a hand on the front door-step, he preferred a hand about the festive board at No. —.

## DELTA KAPPA EPSILON CONVENTION.

Delegates from twenty-six chapters of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity met in convention at Masonic Hall, Utica, N. Y., Wednesday and Thursday, October 19th and 20th, with the Tau Chapter of Hamilton College. Business sessions of the convention were held on the morning, afternoon, and evening of Wednesday, and on the morning and afternoon of Thursday.

Thursday evening at half-past seven the delegates assembled at the Butterfield House, and at eight o'clock marched in a body to the City Opera House where the public exercises were held. Upon the stage, which was elegantly decorated with hot-house plants and floral tributes to *J. K. E.*, were the President, Professor A. P. Kelsey, '56; the Chaplain, Rev. B. F. Willoughby, '56; the Orator, Professor John J. Lewis, '60; the Poet, Professor Willis J. Beecher, '58; Hon. M. A. McKee, '62; and A. Norton Broekway, '56,—all graduates of Hamilton College. After a song by the brethren and prayer by the chaplain, the oration, on "The Coming Man," a model of excellence and worth, was listened to by an appreciative audience. The poem, entitled "Procrustes," by Professor W. J. Beecher, was also well received. The Utica Philharmonic Orchestra furnished music for the occasion.

At the close of the public exercises the delegates, together with other members of the fraternity, formed in column of fours and marched with a band at the head to the Baggs' Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet awaited them. The banquet having received proper attention, toasts, songs, and speeches furnished amusements till the clock struck the hour for retiring.

Friday morning, by invitation of the representatives from Cornell University, several of the delegates took the train for Ithaca, where they were received in a most hospitable

manner by the Delta Chi Chapter. Friday evening a reception to the visitors was given at the Delta Chi Chapter House. Saturday morning and afternoon were devoted to "doing" the University and the beautiful little city of Ithaca. Cornell, with its broad campus, not unadorned by Nature, is situated in one of the loveliest spots in New York State, and loth were the visitors to leave for scenes less inviting. In connection with the thirty-fifth annual convention of *J. K. E.*, will always be remembered the pleasant hours spent with Delta Chi.

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## COMMUNICATIONS.

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### *Editors of Orient:*

It is well known that no little dissatisfaction arose during the last base-ball season, over the arrangement, or rather the fulfillment, of the season's work; and, although there may have been just cause for complaint, at whose door it should be placed, no one pretends to answer. Notwithstanding as many games as usual were played, it so happened that the college was deprived from witnessing them, and quite naturally, on this account, felt disappointed.

It is also a well-known fact that for a number of seasons the base-ball championship of the State has yearly been left in a very unsettled condition. In truth, it has not been decided at all. Although many substantial claims may have been presented by the several colleges, it can be fairly said that no superiority has been attained among the Maine colleges that has been satisfactory to all, and obtained in a manner that should leave doubt out of the question.

In order that this unsettled condition of affairs may be overcome, and that the feelings of discontent so prevalent during the last season may have no cause for re-appear-

ance, it is advisable that early in the season the necessary arrangements should be made. Let the several managers of the base-ball associations in our colleges meet and draw up a perfect schedule, with games assigned for dates as early in the season as practicable. By this means ample time will be given for the playing of any games that may be postponed on account of unpropitious weather, and, in case it should so happen that two clubs stand equal on the number of games won and lost, for a final and deciding contest. The full number having been played, some conclusions will be reached which render the question of superiority definitely settled.

It is not until some systematic method similar to this is adopted, that any satisfactory end can be reached in base-ball matters. And since such salutary financial effects followed the revision of the old and the adoption of the new constitution, with a systematic method of procedure in the arrangement and playing of games in the future, our association will be placed on a firmer foundation and the college will be allowed much additional pleasure.

N. G.

### *Editors of Orient:*

I have read with interest the communication signed "V.," in your last number. I take it for granted that the writer expresses his own honest doubts, and perhaps those of others, as to the propriety of requiring attendance at religious exercises. I therefore wish, with your kind permission, to present the following considerations in the hope of throwing some light upon the subject.

In the first place, we must clearly recognize the fact that the college avowedly undertakes to develop, with some degree of symmetry, all the essential powers of manhood which can properly come under its influence. This is its work, rather than that of storing the mind with facts for special use, as in a professional school. To this end it offers the stu-

dent an extended programme of exercises for intellectual drill, ranging from the Ancient Languages and Mathematics of Freshmen to the Metaphysics of Senior year. It provides for his muscular development in the varied exercises of gymnasium, drill, boating, and ball playing. (I mention the last two because the college does, under certain restrictions, recognize them practically as electives alternating with the first two.) In its government, it aims to encourage manly self-reliance by reducing specific rules of conduct to a minimum—the formation of regular habits by requiring punctual attendance at college exercises—and truthfulness by accepting a student's statements on all occasions when it can possibly do so, preferring to be sometimes deceived rather than run the risk of provoking falsehood by appearing to expect it. By its dormitory system it makes him a member of a compact community, and so places him under most favorable conditions for learning one of life's great lessons, that of bearing with others and forbearing for the sake of others.

In all this provision for varied exercise, leading to harmonious development of body, mind, and character, shall the religious element of his nature, confessedly the most important of all, be entirely ignored? Probably few would desire this; but some claim that religious exercises form a class by themselves which should be especially exempted from the general college law of required attendance.

Let us see. A sermon which elucidates a scripture text, showing how its teaching bears upon life and character, is certainly as important and useful as a lecture on an ode of Horace. Keeping in mind what the college is avowedly trying to accomplish for the student, is there any valid reason why attendance should be required at one and not at the other?

Again, the observance of morning prayers as a college institution is in perfect harmony with the aims and professions of a Christian college—the discontinuance of them would be

in painful contrast to those aims and professions. As related to the student's training, they (with the Sunday services) are the only occasions which call for the exercise of reverence—a most important and greatly needed element of character, co-ordinate with others which the college seeks to cultivate, such as truthfulness, honor, and self-respect. Why should attendance at prayers be optional so long as attendance at other college exercises is required?

Surely no one really believes that the college tries to compel worship, or to implant spirituality by force. What it does, and considers its duty to do, is to express its estimate of the importance of worship as an exercise in the development of a complete manhood, and to bring this to the notice of all under its care at regular and frequent intervals. This it can do effectively only by conforming to the general usage of the college respecting attendance at exercises which are considered necessary for securing the ends for which the college exists. Either attendance at all such exercises must be required, or all alike should be made voluntary.

I think "compulsion" may excite needless and hurtful irritation, not because of any fault in the occasion or manner of its exercise, but because of misapprehension as to its legitimate office, and a failure to recognize the very great and beneficent part it plays in the formation of our characters. From childhood to old age we are obliged to do things which are distasteful to us, and to abstain from indulgencies which suit us, and it is only when this discipline is cheerfully submitted to that we become desirable members of the community. Among the most potent forces which constrain us are family influence, the usages of society, and public opinion. From the pressure of these, the student is, in a large measure released, when he exchanges home for college life, and it is to supply the lack of these that the college steps in with its over-

sight and authority. In no sense does the college compete with the State or challenge comparison with it. Therefore, in determining the proper sphere and legitimate methods of college requirements, we must compare them with those of the family and society, rather than with those of the State. Much that is cheerfully yielded to the demands of the former would properly be resisted as tyrannical if claimed by the latter. For these reasons, the "church and State" argument cannot be transferred from the State to the college.

In reply to your correspondent's closing sentence, I wish to present what I believe to be the correct view, namely, that existing college requirements, including required attendance at church and chapel, are not only entirely consistent with respect for a student's manhood, but do distinctly recognize the highest attributes of that manhood.

They are, in fact, most useful helps to him in the difficult task of making the most of himself, and this not because he is a boy, for he may be of age, but because all of us, young and old, need to be compelled to do much that is for our own highest good.

C. H. S.

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## COLLEGE ITEMS.

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Dis-band.

Sophomore supper, when?

Harding, '81, has been in town.

Cold day, when you recite twice.

No smoking allowed in Greek recitations.

*Calico* on the campus! Turn out, all stare.

Knapp has been elected captain of the nine.

A Senior remarks that volcanoes are sometimes curious *craters*.

'85 cannot be said to be over-*fresh*, as there is a *Tarr* among its members.

The Zeta Psi Society has moved from its hall down town and occupies that over Smith's store.

Falling leaves—so does the novice at a skating rink.

Society *goats* have been rampant since our last edition.

Freshman cider is giving the Sophs a good deal of trouble.

"Puck" is welcomed once more to its accustomed file in the reading-room.

Topsham boasts of a city meat market. Here is your chance, club stewards.

"From Greenland's icy mountains" is rather a chilly tune for the chapel.

The management of the chapel organ has experienced a severe blow-up.

Cole, Pearson, Pettingill, Swan, and Washburn have been elected *Bugle* editors.

Rev. Joseph Torrey, of Yarmouth, preached at the Congregational Church, Sunday.

Prof. Lee lectures on Hygiene before the Freshman class every Wednesday afternoon.

"In the morning by the bright light," etc., seems to have been a popular song for the Juniors.

The Seniors begin the practical study of Parliamentary Law, using "Robert's Rules of Order."

W. G. Reed and E. U. Curtis have attended the Delta Kappa Epsilon Convention at Utica, N. Y.

The Juniors have rhetorical exercises every Wednesday at 2 P.M. Sophomores the same at 3 P.M.

The *Brunswick Herald* says the Juniors are having *weekly* original declamations. The class feel insulted.

In English History—"Now the Peers were —" Whisper from Behind—"O! Where are the *reapers!*"

The large suspicious looking cask in Cleaveland room receives many a wistful glance from thirsty students.

Barbarism is ever ready to encroach. As soon as the ball players leave the delta we see it turned into a cow pasture.

In the Sophomore and Freshman classes Prof. Wheeler is introducing the Continental method of pronunciation.

It is expected to have the second story of Memorial Hall so far completed as to hold the winter exhibition in that place.

*Back number wanted.*—Any one having No. 1, Vol. IV., of the ORIENT, and desiring to dispose of the same, will confer a favor by addressing the business editor.

The members of the chapel choir are Barton, Walker, Longren, Butler, Sewall, Torrey, Stetson, and Pierce; Hilton, organist.

The bequest of \$5,000 from Mrs. Noah Wood is for a memorial scholarship in honor of her son, the late William A. Blake, class of '73.

A young lady advises a member of '85 to have his pictures taken every year so he can see the improvement he makes after Freshman year.

Complaint is made that those who agreed last spring to take the drill for two years do not pretend to be present now that the exercise is optional.

During Prof. Johnson's absence the German class has been conducted by Prof. Campbell. The recitations in French meanwhile have been discontinued.

The Bowdoin Cornet Band has the following officers: Leader, J. W. Crosby; Deputy Leader, C. C. Hutchins; Executive Committee, Jewett, Fling, and Longren.

"I want to be a soldier  
And with the soldiers stand,  
A pompon o'er my forehead  
A musket in my hand."

Thus sighs the Freshman, and he is at once taken into the ranks of our country's future defenders.

"Average repairs" are to be dropped from the term bills during this year. The students have often complained of this item of expense, and now that it is experimentally removed should restrain their destructiveness as much as possible.

The singing by the chapel choir on Sunday evening was spoken of by all as unusually fine. The voices of the five singers blended very harmoniously and there seemed to be less of the disagreeable resonance in the chapel than usual.

It has been the intention for some time to use steam for heating the laboratory, and pipes have been ready for that purpose. A boiler has recently been placed in the cellar, and on Monday, 24th, the Seniors, for perhaps the first time in their course, recited by steam.

An account of the dredging expedition of the United States Fish Commission, which Prof. Lee accompanied this summer, appears in the October number of the *American Journal of Science*, entitled, "Marine Fauna occupying the waters on the southern coast of New England."

At Lasell the young ladies have a pleasant custom of pasting printed transcriptions of the Lord's Prayer upon the head of their beds. The lovely creatures

after preparing for the night's rest glance up at the sacred petition, and exclaiming, "Them's my sentiments," are lost to sight in the downy depths. Do you ask how we know?

Prof.—"Mention an oxide." "Student—" "Leather." Prof.—"Oxide of what?" S.—"Oxhide of beef, sir." Prof. (looking round for the eraser to throw at him, mutters)—"If I had you alone, you young scion, I'd——" A deep groan of horror bursts from the class.

The old Freshman room is now only used for one recitation daily, and for the assembling of the various college associations. The opportunity exists for making this into a desirable place for recitations by extending it across the hall, like the Senior and Mathematical rooms.

On the 18th the Sophomores kindly endeavored, by means of a horn concert, to while away the evening hours for the benefit of the Freshmen. The latter reciprocally entertained their serenaders by coming to the windows of their apartments and delivering choice selections of oratory and music.

At the Chemical lecture room, Tuesday, Oct. 18th, President Chamberlain repeated the address begun in the Chapel on the 9th. In spite of the stormy evening a good audience of students and residents in town was present, and appreciated the privilege of listening to this memorial under so much more favorable circumstances than on the former occasion.

Senior (explaining absence)—"I had to have a tooth hauled, yesterday." Prof. (much interested in Osteology, etc.)—"Which tooth was it? Could I get it for inspection?" S. (who fears he will examine his mouth next and smell his breath)—"No, sir; I didn't keep it. It was an eye-tooth that ached, but the dentist pulled the wrong one." Prof.—"Oh? how was that?" S.—"He said it was a case of mistaken *eye-dent-ity*."

The lenses for the object glass of the proposed telescope were completed during the summer. They are two beautiful pieces of glass,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter and ground to a curvature of 28 inches radius. Many difficulties under which the work was accomplished reflect credit upon the ingenuity and perseverance of the maker, C. C. Hutchins, '83. It will be remembered also that the first lense, when ready for polishing, was cracked during the laboratory fire, thus necessitating the grinding of a new piece.

The musical talent of the college is assuming proportions that excite the apprehension of quiet-loving students. The Bowdoin Orchestra, Band,

Freshman Orchestra, and minor atrocities, with frequent rehearsals, occupy nearly every evening of the week. From those students who are tortured on all sides by individual practice, also come loud complaints. Musical organizations in college are desirable if not necessary, but the point beyond which they become an unmitigated nuisance is still open to discussion.

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## PERSONAL.

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[We earnestly solicit communications to this column from any who may have an interest in the Alumni.]

'49.—George O. Robinson is a lawyer at Bloomington, Ill.

'60.—W. W. Thomas has an illustrated article, entitled "A Week in a Dug-out," in the October number of *Harper's*.

'61.—Chas. O. Hant, M.D., who lately resigned his position as Superintendent of the Maine General Hospital, has withdrawn his resignation. He has been elected to the chair of Materia Medica at the Bowdoin Medical School.

'67.—Steven M. Newman has lately been elected to a Professorship at Ripon College. He still continues his duties as pastor of the church in Ripon, where he has been preaching for some time past.

'69.—George W. Hale has recently sailed for Europe to spend a year.

'69.—Charles A. Stevens has recently edited a book for boys, entitled "Knock-About Book."

'70.—A. J. Curtis is principal of the High School at Yarmouth.

'73.—Royal A. Gould, formerly a lawyer at Biddeford, is now principal of a Grammar School in that city.

'73.—Andrew P. Wiswell was in town a few days since.

'75.—Lincoln A. Rogers is principal of the New Britain Seminary.

'75.—Miles Standish has just returned from Europe and intends to settle in Boston or the vicinity.

'75.—E. H. Hall has returned from Europe and taken his position as Instructor in Physics at Harvard.

'76.—C. H. Clark is First Assistant in the Bath High School.

'76.—J. G. Libby is at Anburndale, Mass., where he is studying medicine.

'76.—George B. Merrill was married, June 27th, to Mrs. Vina L. Loring of Freeport, Me.

'76.—E. B. Newcomb, married June 30, to Miss Nellie S. Pennell of Cumberland Mills, Me.

'76.—J. H. Payne has removed his office to 680 Tremont St., Boston.

'76.—Charles G. Wheeler has recently finished the book entitled "Who Wrote It?" commenced by his brother, William A. Wheeler, class of '53.

'76.—George F. Pratt was married, July 27th, to Miss Fannie D. Harlow of Brewer, Me.

'78.—John M. Burleigh is attending lectures at the Harvard Law School.

'82.—Sanborn has entered Dartmouth.

'83.—Gannett has gone to the School of Technology, Boston, to obtain the benefit of Professor Vose's instruction.

'84.—Cummings has entered Colby University.

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## COLLEGE WORLD.

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### COLUMBIA:

After the foot-ball season is over the Hare and Honnds Club will come to the front.

Several members of Eighty-three are soon to appear in gowns, thus completing the idea of an academic costume which was begun by wearing the Oxford cap.

The *Spectator* says Columbia made a mistake in rowing an eight at New London and a four at Philadelphia, and urges that they limit themselves to one crew next season.

As no ground could be discovered on which to build the foundation for the eastern end of Library Hall, it has been decided to move the building twelve feet further west.—*Spectator*.

### HARVARD:

The Harvard Legislature is dead.

One of the performers on the horizontal bar at the Summer Circus in Paris, is a graduate of '76.

Both the *Crimson* and *Advocate* are to have their papers delivered at the rooms of their student subscribers hereafter.

Mr. Moses King, '81, was married to Miss Bertha Cloyes, of Cambridge, at the First Church, Wednesday afternoon.—*Advocate*.

The *Crimson* regrets that Mr. Riddle has undertaken to play *Edipus*, assisted by an English company, and says that it will be little more than a travesty, and will tend to detract from the success of the representation last year.

The *Crimson* closes an editorial on the *Harvard Union* with the following sensible words: "And if each member will only lay aside false modesty,—identical in this case with indolence,—and determine



to say something at least in every debate, the prosperity of the society this year will be all that could be desired."

## YALE:

The late Dr. Holland's son is a member of '82.

Only four members of the old University crew are left this year.

The students of the undergraduate department are divided as follows: Seniors, 158; Juniors, 222; Sophomores, 167; Freshmen, 224.

Yale is afflicted with too great an abundance of music. The Faculty allow students four hours a day and Wednesday and Saturday afternoons in which to play pianos, but complaint is made that the limitations are overstepped.

## IN GENERAL:

Diplomas at Princeton cost \$14.50.

The Freshman class at Colby is smaller than that of last year.

Michigan University is to have a new museum costing \$60,000.

Phillips Exeter opens with 189 students, and Andover with 202.

Cornell, by the will of the late Mrs. Fiske, of Ithaca, receives \$290,000.—*Ex.*

Cornell has also received \$500,000 from the sale of western lands, and has \$300,000 worth left.—*Sun.*  
The Senior Class of Williams College have elected E. G. Benedict, of Brooklyn, poet. Is that our genial friend Ephraim?

## CLIPPINGS.

"ARMA VIRUMQUE CANO."  
(Modern Version.)

In the light of the moon they sat on the beach,

And what was the harm?

For perhaps he was trying that maiden to teach  
All about the bright stars, and the names we give each;  
Or perhaps he was turning his hopes into speech—

But where was his arm?

Now that maid seemed to have a rather fair form—

But what hid her waist?

Well, perhaps 'twas to shield her from some coming storm,  
Or perhaps 'twas to keep that dear maiden warm,  
Round the waist of that maiden's rather fair form  
His arm he had placed.

Is life worth living? That depends on the liver.

It was a Vassar girl, who, when asked if she liked codfish balls, replied: "I really don't know, I never attended one."—*Brunonian.*

"I think I was absent when that was explained," exclaimed the Junior who hadn't been paying attention. "Yes, absent-minded," said the tutor.

Freshman (to Senior, reverentially)—"May I presume to ask what you are reading, sir?" Senior—"I am reading 'My Novel.' Get out!" Fresh—(awestruck)—"I did not know you had written one."—*Trinity Tablet.*

"Wouldn't you like to have a bow?" said the bold young archer as they sauntered down the field; and she murmured, "Yes," and the absorbed archer said, "What kind of a bow would you prefer?" She quivered a little as she replied, archly, "I think I should prefer yew," and then the young man took it in.—*Ex.*

Anxious Mamma (to impressionable Junior who has asked her daughter to go out riding)—"Thank you very much, Mr. X., but you know I have to be so particular, and I make it a rule that my daughter shall never go out with students." Impressionable Student—"But you know that I'm not much of a student." Tableau. (Fact.)

Visitor (observing the students as they pass) to Professor—"I should think the young ladies of the O. S. U. would often feel a little down at the mouth." Professor (somewhat puzzled)—"Indeed! I see no reason why they should." Visitor—"Oh, 'tis nothing only I see many of the young men are raising monstaches." Professor catches the idea.—*Lantern.*

Scene—Front door step. Dramatis personæ—Milesian maid, adventurous Soph. Soph.—"Aw! Miss Frawnces, is she at home?" M. Maid—"No, sur, she's out." Soph.—"Mrs. Frawnces?" M. Maid—"No, sur, *she's* out." Soph.—"Well, then I guess I'll just step in and sit by the fire till they return." Biddy—"Faith, sur, and that's out, too." (Exit Soph.)—*Free Press.*

## EDITORS' TABLE.

The subject of college laws and discipline is not only a legitimate matter for the consideration of college journals, but is eminently practical. In many colleges there is beginning to be a complaint of statutes as severe and arbitrary as the famous "Blue Laws" enacted for the government of students at a time when customs were more strict and the average age of students much younger than at present. To Amherst, an institution which might be expected to be very conservative, is due the credit of having taken the first decisive steps in recognizing that students are men, and should be treated accordingly. There have been many misunderstandings and many misrepresentations in regard to the changes made.

It has been represented that opportunities for the wildest license are afforded, that trips to Europe or to the Yosemite may be taken by one nominally a student of the college, without injury to his standing, or that if a student attends nine-tenths of the college recitations he is under no further restrictions. The change is not a change of rules, but of the manner of executing them. Instead of using the Faculty as a police force to execute the laws, the students are made to understand their force and spirit, and promise on their honor to obey them. On entering they sign the agreement, "I do hereby promise and engage that I will observe and conform to all the rules and regulations made by the government of Amherst College for the students." The college laws remain as before and the student is made morally responsible for abiding by them. Such a liberty is a tribute to their manhood, and they have shown themselves worthy of it. The law concerning attendance corrects a serious fault in college life, by doing away with what must at least be called the great exaggeration too often practiced by those who are held to a constant attendance unless actually incapacitated for it. The admittance of students into the Faculty meeting is now being discussed, but it is doubtful if this will be practically a success.

At the danger of calling down upon us the wrath of many of our exchanges, we venture to suggest that the light-sketch mine has been worked about long enough. It has reached such a pitch that anything that is divided into an abundance of chapters, each with a piece of poetry at the head, and is garnished with long and aristocratic names, and embellished with a choice variety of adjectives and slang, is thought to be a work of genius, and is given precedence of everything else in the columns of the college paper. Such emanations may be the natural result of summer romances or readings, but it is time that they should give place to something more worthy of the college press.

If one expects to find anything frivolous in the *Vassar Miscellany* he will be happily disappointed, for there is no college publication that shows a greater amount of solid literary work. The literary department this month is occupied by two essays, both by editors of the magazine. One is "John Brown, the Hot-Headed Demagogue," the other "John Brown, the Far-Sighted Patriot." Whether one is convinced by them one way or the other depends more on his prejudices and inclinations than on the merit of the arguments. Both are vivid narrations of the life and great attempt of the most romantic figure of American history.

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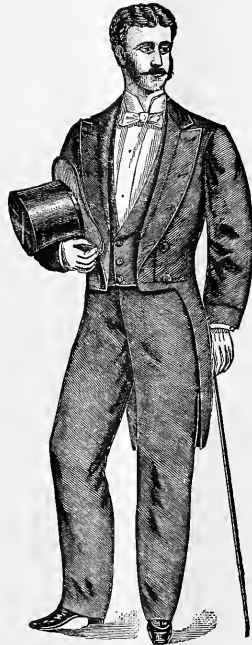
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

We always feel like saying good morning as each fortnight brings us around again. The past few weeks have been very eventful in the history of the college, an era we hope, and while we have no specifications to make or details to present, we are sure that none of our undergraduate readers would wish them back. The next two weeks will see the return of a good old New England custom, and our hearty wish is that all our readers may be enabled to seek the retire-

ment of home and engage in the demolition of the festive turk around the Thanksgiving board. We are sorry for those whom time and distance preclude, but it is one of the stern realities of life. To the Freshman on his first visit home we say, be calm, don't paralyze your parents with the tales of your exploits, and endeavor to make the college appear as decent a place to inhabit as you possibly can.

The business editor requests us to announce that subscriptions are due for the ORIENT. These columns are no place for such statements, but they never fail to appear. We hope that all who are indebted will send in the amount of their indebtedness.

We have placed a number of our exchanges in the reading-room, where the students may, if they desire, see what other colleges are doing in journalism. It would be possible for us, if we had a room devoted to it, to place exchanges on file as soon as received, but as it is now, where the work is done at the editor's college rooms, the exchanges are retained for consultation. We should think that the ORIENT might have editorial rooms like every other college paper inasmuch as it is honestly devoted, we think, to the college and productive, we hope, of benefit to it. A pleasant room open evenings and with a large number of college, literary, society and newspapers, none of which are found in the reading-room, would be a pleasant innovation, and would give the ORIENT a local habitation and a name.

The method of pronouncing Latin lately

introduced into the Sophomore and Freshman classes by Prof. Wheeler, is not at all the "Continental" method, but the method known to recent text-books as the "Roman" method. The ORIENT inadvertently stated in its last issue that it was the former of the two, but is pleased to make the correction. It is needless to add, certainly, that Prof. Wheeler is meeting with assured success in the Latin department, which, judging from the past, is no inconsiderable achievement.

We heralded the approach of the *Bugle* editors in our last, and now, as we write, they are on the spot and at work. "A fellow-feeling makes us wondrous kind" indeed, and we invoke the aid of all in the success of a publication, which in no inconsiderable degree betokens the ability of the college in its peculiar line. In another column we print a communication from an old *Bugle* editor whose remarks we sincerely echo. The *Bugle* needs the support of the students so long as they judge its publication suitable.

Some one has kindly placed boards across the road at the northwest entrance to the campus, for which said person will please accept thanks. The boards are good enough to float on, although a line of ferry boats would have been preferable and safer during most of the past week. The boards look more picturesque than a stone crossing, but are not so lasting. However we are almost satisfied. We wish we were sure that credit belonged to the ORIENT, but are somewhat afraid that we are like the west wind that claimed the credit of blowing out the moon. At any rate some one was touched by our appeal and laid boards there, proof of which can be made by witnessing the ends swaying in the air or by digging for the remainder in the mud. We shall remark on this frequently until we get crossings, and if perchance we don't get them

shall leave it as a righteous legacy to our successors.

There has been an unprecedented amount of sickness at college this term. Disease in a peculiar form has been calling the students from their avocations. It is nothing serious, not in the least alarming, only perhaps suggestive. The ORIENT has given thought to the matter and hit upon it that it is the lack of a gymnasium. We believe that we have spoken of this matter before, but we see now such an admirable text from which to preach that we cannot forbear a little sermon. The lack of a gymnasium would induce indisposition of every sort, and indisposition physically produces the same trouble mentally, hence the aberration so apparent at psychology, and the frequent absences in physics. We really have cause to believe that a portion of the prevalent sickness is due to the insufficient exercise fully as much as to the weather or kindred reasons, and the outlook for sports is alarming. Most of those who are interested in the sports are in need of a means of training, and we only ask if some expedient cannot be devised to supply this temporary need. We are very sure that somewhere in the town or college a room can be found suitable to train a crew or base-ball nine, and for the exercise of those few who prefer exercise to the prevailing form of sickness. That the college authorities would do all in their power to aid, there can be no doubt, and we suggest that the officers of the Boating and Base-Ball Associations take action in the matter.

The controversy in the columns of the ORIENT concerning compulsory attendance at the chapel, has attracted considerable attention from friends of the college, inasmuch as the controversy exists not at Bowdoin alone.

It is reported, in connection with this matter, that the Faculty at Harvard have

expressed their approval of allowing attendance at daily chapel to become voluntary, although the overseers have not yet deliberated upon the matter. For our part we are only too happy to publish the honest opinions of all interested in the matter, and not with the conviction or the wish that the chapel service will cease to be, as it is, an attendance compulsory upon all students. It seems to us that if there be any to whom the teachings of the Christian religion are especially repulsive, and who look upon its forced propagation as an invasion of personal rights, such, in our opinion, ought surely to demand as a right freedom from attendance. No one would, we think, deny this. A right to worship as one pleases is a doctrine of the constitution. It is different with the ordinary Christian student, however. For the most part his only excuse is laziness, his only plea is against the employment of absolute force as derogatory to manhood, and his general statement is that it is impossible to inculcate religious teachings by compulsion. It is to be remembered that no one is compelled to pray. The morning chapel is offered at the opening of the day, for the same reason that every organized body offers a religious service at the opening of its session, and is compulsory in the hope that the student who is here to be taught, may, perhaps, in his lucid moments, recognize that he can learn Christian teachings as well as he can learn mathematics and metaphysics. No student is compelled to join in the service, he is compelled merely to be present, and what valid reason is there, except laziness, for the student whose principles are not opposed to the reception of religious teachings or of the form in which they are taught? We have no idea of discussing this question further and only desire to express the ORIENT'S opinion on the matter. We believe that, within this college, the discussion has not extended outside our columns, but there is no reason why it

should not be discussed and the matter be rested on a decided basis. We quote the following close of a letter written to the *Harvard Advocate* by Rev. Edward E. Hale upon this subject: "I may add that institutions where the students cease to meet together as one, soon cease to be colleges. The *con* of *collegium* dies out of them. They become shops for teaching specialties, but the sympathy and common life, which makes a college a college, abandons any institution which abandons the word or the idea 'together.'" This is especially true of us. The morning chapel is no inconsiderable link in the chain which binds this small college into a unity. We honestly disagree with the opinions expressed by previous ORIENT boards upon this subject, but have no wish to enforce our own opinions.

We have but a few words to say in regard to the events of the past few weeks. The ORIENT'S opinion and the opinion of the college was expressed in our last issue. We are very sorry, however, to notice the general tenor of the daily and weekly press in regard to this same matter. They confine themselves in no wise to facts, but let imagination run riot in wild hintings, and wind up severally with a peroration against hazing in general. In no case have we seen any approach to a candid consideration of the case, no attempt at the truth even, as we see it. We feel assured that the more accurately the facts are stated, and with due leniency to the thoughtlessness of students and to the influence of a custom that our fathers made, perhaps, and which this generation is trying to kill, the more forgiving will be the public spirit. The whole affair might ordinarily have passed unnoticed, except by the oversight of the college authorities, had not the accident occurred which did. And that accident is by no means, at the time of writing, located as the result of any student's act.

We read, nevertheless, in a neighboring paper, an article which paints the Sophomores as meeting in the secret conclave of their society and issuing notes, written in blood, threatening death for the non-removal of a moustache, and think how much better it would have been had the eminent writer investigated before he committed himself. These things, however, are means to the great end of entire abolition of every thought connected with the subservience of Freshmen, and when this is obtained, and only then, will students cease to obstruct the welfare of the college.

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#### READING.

Many persons have a very inadequate appreciation of the value of systematic and thoughtful reading, and little know how wonderfully the scope of the mind may be widened and acuteness given to the reasoning powers, by taking advantage of the many opportunities offered for becoming conversant with the good literature of the times. And it is not until one does follow out the practice of sound reading, and necessarily thinking, that he begins to see the benefit derived from such a course.

A vast amount of information will be gained which, if the subjects are wholesome, can but be of inestimable value in after life, and it should be so instilled into the mind that thousands of subjects which would otherwise be overlooked and considered uninteresting, may be received intelligently and discussed with a full realization of their merits. The reader comes to a clearer comprehension of matters in general, and is led to make firmer and wiser decisions on the affairs of daily life than if he is ignorant of the minds and natures, the fancies and follies of men of this and by-gone ages.

To be wanting in a knowledge of the past

ages, its men, their characters, and standing socially and politically, their customs and morals; to have no idea of the advancement made in our own times in science, art, and religion must, almost necessarily in this enlightened era of the universe, place a person in a longer grade with respect to those who have come to a comprehension of such truths of history. To dwell in thought upon the philosophy of the times, man, his mind, soul and condition, to be acquainted with the physical and metaphysical theories promulgated and agitated at this time, to look at political and religious questions with an unbiased mind, and giving due consideration to the respective arguments advanced, to come to firm and sensible conclusions in regard to them can only be done by him, who, in earlier years, has trained his mind and method of thinking to that degree of appreciation commensurate with the depth of the topics. Proper reading is one of the best, if not the best methods of undergoing such a system of mental training.

But in order to derive all the good results from reading, it is necessary that the work, or rather as it ought to be pleasure, be entered into in a studious and meditative manner. It is essential that the subjects be such as the reader is prepared to give his thought to, for, unless his mind be on the work before him, it is time thrown away. He should be intent on the subject, ready to question the right or wrong of this idea and to acquiesce in that argument when his beliefs are fully in accord with it. It is vain and profitless to engage in reading merely for the sake of "going through the forms." Unless the subject at hand be imbedded in the reader's mind by close thought, it will have flown before he has finished the text. The success in acquiring knowledge from reading depends entirely upon the condition of the mind of the reader, upon the amount of thought given to the subject at the time, and the subsequent meditation

upon it. It is far better to dwell long upon one work, provided it is thoroughly discussed, than to run over a long list of subjects and leave them all only half digested. When the reader has thus entered earnestly and conscientiously upon the work, in due season it will become a second nature to grasp the matter clearly and logically and to consider it quite thoroughly at the time.

Of course it depends somewhat upon the character of the individual, his propensities, likes, and dislikes as to what particular subjects he should take in hand. And too, his future prospects, intentions and life work should, in a measure, have some influence in distinguishing the course he should select. But there are history, biography, and the sciences which claim the attention of all. An inexhaustible supply of literature for all to weigh and ponder upon. Some are almost necessary for even an ordinary education, while the more that one reads the greater the desire to proceed farther in research of truths and doctrines, so that in time the mind comes to that state of maturity that it is ready to grasp with the casual subject, and, analyzing it, to readily judge of its intrinsic worth.

A man is repaid fourfold for time given to this work, for he soon finds himself elevated to a position among that learned class which lives to enjoy those intellectual pleasures which only an intelligent, well trained, and abundantly stored mind can appreciate.

N. G.

#### DEATH OF MORE.

On the topmost peak of a mountain in New Hampshire stands a slender shaft of pure granite. Rising from surroundings peculiarly gloomy and uninviting it possesses a remarkable beauty, and the effect upon the observer approaches inspiration. The clouds roll about the base, enshrouding its environments and casting about the shaft an element

of mysticism. Above, the sun glitters and flashes from the smooth surface of the granite. In the conflicts of the elements, the lightning circles about its top, forming a crown of living fire and bringing into startling prominence the beautiful qualities of the granite. Neighboring peaks, more sturdy, have long since yielded to the force of the elements, yet despite these it stands alone,—a monument grand and simple.

Out from the ages of the past, with their stories of kingly cruelties and nations' crimes, where treachery and fickleness seem rather the rule than the exception, where loyalty to royalty was the one condition of living, arise individual examples of sacrifice of property and life in defense of a principle. The cycles of time and occasional glimpses of sunshine in the midst of national disturbances, throw increased lustre upon their names and deeds. From the dark background of general unworthiness and corruption their characters stand forth with remarkable brilliancy, challenging at once our admiration and wonder. Few pages of history but are in turn darkened and illuminated, few ages but have their martyrs, marking a milestone in human progress. The time of Sir Thomas More was no exception. It was not that More died in defense of a principle that his death is of such interest—for fortunately or unfortunately English history is wonderfully rich in such examples—but there was that in the man's nature and his surroundings that render his death peculiarly melancholy and pathetic. The picture of domestic happiness, of paternal love, of filial affection and devotion at the home of the chancellor, cause us to admire the man who could face the walls of a prison and ultimately death rather than make a concession which the times allowed, and which, to men in general, would require but slight compulsion. And yet the nature and mode of life of More gave little or no indications of the martyr.

The joyous, sunny nature longed for life, a disposition singularly pleasure-loving and in harmony with the bright things of the world, a humor, gay, almost volatile, and making life's serious business a pastime, yet in the highest degree honorable and watchful of those interests which were placed under his charge, it is, perhaps, in this characteristic we find the key to the man's acts.

He lived at a time when sudden changes were not held derogatory to the reputation of public men. The marriage of Henry was accomplished, and the opinion of his chancellor—which he had ostentatiously asked—could but little affect the public welfare. In this light the firmness of the chancellor becomes all the more remarkable. It was a time, too, when all his interests pointed to a favorable reply. More well knew that a human life, it mattered not how valuable, rarely weighted the balance against the royal whim. Yet, in the face of this, he took the position which lost to England a life and gained her a martyr. Pity it was the lusts of Henry demanded such a victim. Even in the face of death the joyous humor which characterized the man did not desert him. "See me safely up these stairs, as for my coming down I will shift for myself." Truly, for this man death was without its terrors.

### A MODERN RIP.

AFTER IRVING.

The modern Rip, like his prototype, awoke from his sleep and, true to the instincts of his ancestor, hurried to the village inn but it, too, was gone. In its place stood a large, pretentious building with curtained windows, and over the door was painted "Village Improvement Hospital." Instead of the ancient inn, with its roomy parlor, where he had made molasses candy and danced the racquet with the box-shop girls, was this dreary building, and Rip was astounded. There was, as usual,

a crowd around the door, and when Rip asked where the ancient elm was, and why a hospital was there, was answered: "For many reasons. Mall brook; large number of Freshmen recently killed and maimed by newspaper accounts; men drowned by incautiously crossing the streets in rainy weather; unsuspecting people poisoned by drinking well water, and besides," added he, "we want to supply the medical school with practice, in hopes of enticing it back." And Rip knew it was Brunswick. He looked around for the boys but found them not. Rip was bewildered and so were they. The appearance of Rip with a pair of lawn tennis shoes and a lawn tennis hat, and a pair of bicycling pants, and a little May-basket on his arm, such as he had attired himself with before he rolled nine-pins and drank wine with the little men on the mountain, attracted universal attention, and no one asked him if he was a Freshman, which surprised him.

A feeling of wanness and sadness stole over him, and he turned away and walked up towards the hill. He was followed by a crowd that was taking in his clothes until he had passed up over the hill and viewed the college as it was. He went over on the delta and stood there. The medical building was gone. "Moved to Portland" the sign said, "by a new process invented by and known only to Portland people." The inclosure where it had stood was devoted to bovines. One of the by-standers, when asked by Rip why it went to Portland, said that it followed the Maine State Fair and Maine Historical Society. Rip sat down on an iron seat that they told him the girls used when they played ball to rest themselves, and asked after his friends. "One was dead" said an individual. "Used to know him well, sah. Cut wood and lugged water for him, sah. Knew him well, sah. He's dead, sah, sure." Rip thought he knew the voice, but continued, and learned that another was a college professor, another a dancing-

school teacher, and poor Rip, like his prototype, was heart-broken. He got up and went over to Memorial Hall. Rip, up to the present, was unable to account for the change, and why no one knew him. He looked into the building which they were frescoing. Rip fell on himself; he understood but only said, "How long, how long?" Really, Rip was a sight. With tottering footsteps he walked on. He saw girls on the campus; he saw a new gymnasium—in his mind; he saw crossings through the mud everywhere; he saw ever so many playing foot-ball, and Rip passed along and entered the chapel. It looked somewhat the same. The cross-legged angel with toes on the wrong side of the foot was flying on the wall as it used to fly, but it was warmer than it used to be, and the panels had pictures in them, and finally Rip fell asleep. The bell-ringer came in and woke him and brought a troop of students. Rip rubbed his eyes and looked around and said in despair, "Does no one know Rip?" They pointed him out to him and Rip knew him even as his ancestor had known the other younger Rip, under the shadows of the Kaatskills. Rip fell on his neck and called him his own dear nephew, and told how he had gone May-ing with the girls and had met the little men playing nine-pins, and had drank Brunswick sherry, and had slept. And his nephew told how his father said that Rip was lost and never heard from, and he told how the college boomed and how they were having a holiday in honor of class elections; how they didn't have marks, or morning chapel, or recitations, only lectures; how they didn't have to pay to speak in Senior and Junior exhibitions now; how the dormitories were lighted and heated by electricity; how nice the girls were, and Rip decided to graduate. Rip graduated and was elected janitor of the college, because you know it is quite unnecessary that the janitor should do much, and he can be real old, and it is only necessary that he

should appear to be too busy to attend to anything.

Rip did his work so well that instead of engaging his services it has become the custom to say "Let her Rip," in referring to him. He continues to tell his story, however, and no one doubts that he has slept twenty, nay sixty, years, and some believe that he never was awake in his life. He loves to wander still in pleasant weather over the hills in search of the little men, hoping, he says, somewhere "beyond their azure purple rim" to find them playing as of yore, and with them under the clear, bright sky, where the music is the birds' music, and the tonic the mountain air, to drink from out the mystic flagon as he did so many years ago. This is the modern Rip's story.

CLIO.

#### THETA DELTA CHI.

The thirty-fifth annual convention of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity was held at the Sturtevant Hotel, New York City, Wednesday and Thursday, November 2d and 3d, under the auspices of the Xi Charge of Hobart.

Full delegations from all the chapters reported. Business sessions were held during the morning and afternoon of both days. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, F. E. Bachman, Lafayette, '80; Treasurer, J. F. Libby, Bowdoin, '82; Secretary, C. Kincaid, Dartmouth, '83.

On the evening of the 3d a large company met in the banquet hall of the Sturtevant, completely filling the tables. At 10.30 the meeting was called to order, and the following literary programme was carried out:

Oration, Jacob Spahn, Union, '57; Poem, Rev. Lewis Halsy, Hobart, '68; Biography, prepared by W. L. Stone, Brown, '57, and Thomas Simons, Brown, '55, delivered by

Mr. Stone. The parts were carefully written and ably rendered, holding the close attention of all to the end. An exceedingly fine banquet was then disposed of, followed by the usual toasts, songs, speeches, and social intercourse till the "wae smae hours," when the boys retired feeling that the convention had been a success, and on every side was heard the hope that many, if not all, might meet next year for a repetition of convention duties and pleasures.

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## COMMUNICATION.

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*Editors of Orient:*

I notice by your last number that the *Bugle* editors have been appointed by the several societies. I presume that they have already entered upon their arduous duties, and as I feel no little concern in their success, both from a continued interest which I take in college affairs, and more especially on account of a kind of fraternal regard which I have for them, I take the liberty, with your kind indulgence, to say a few words in their behalf. It is a most deplorable fact that the condition of the college finances is such that the greater part of the honors, which from time to time are received at the hands of the Faculty, prove to be a costly burden to the recipient, and in some cases cannot be enjoyed on account of the expense which they bring. But it is by far a sadder fact and one which ought to cause greater surprise, and even indignation, that the honors and duties which are received at the hands of the student body, should be the cause of such financial loss as the position of *Bugle* editors has been for the last two years. Elected as the editors are, not by means of the secret "wire pulling" of any one clique, but chosen to be the representatives of the different societies which make up the social element of the whole college life, and expected to get up a

publication which will be a fair exponent of Bowdoin ideas and life, and which will take a good rank among the college publications, is it right, is it even fair and honorable that they should be obliged to suffer loss on account of sheer negligence, and in a few cases the lack of honor displayed on the part of some? The poor *Bugle* editor makes an annual complaint before every Commencement that not more than two-thirds of the *Bugle's* subscribers for are taken, and that many of the cuts remain unpaid, and he begins to realize that he is to enjoy the pleasure of paying dearly for the great honor which it was his lot to possess.

The task itself imposed upon the *Bugle* editor of these days is by no means a simple one, and every year the undertaking becomes more difficult and more expensive. There is a constant clamor for a better *Bugle* than the one of the year before, and the class sentiment is so strong that there would be an intense feeling of dissatisfaction if the *Bugle* was not at least above the average.

There is also a great question whether or not the gradual change, which, within the last two or three years has come over the spirit of college life presents the same ready materials for an interesting *Bugle* as those which the editor of former years had at his command. And while these facts stare the newly elected editors in the face, yet what possible inducement can they have in striving to get up a *Bugle* which will be worthy of themselves and class, if they know that when they get through they will all be poorer than they were when they commenced. Let each one take these facts home and resolve to help the editors in every way that lies within his power, and with the present board we shall obtain a *Bugle* of which we all shall be justly proud.

W.

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Two students in the laboratory at work over some noxious substance: "What's the formula of this stuff any way?" "I don't know, but it smells like HELL."



## COLLEGE ITEMS.

Hall, '83, has left college.

'84 is groaning over polar triangles.

It's getting rather muddy for bicycles.

Walker, '84, sings in the Unitarian choir.

Senior examination in Psychology the 19th.

Wilson, '81, has been visiting friends in town.

The church organ was played by Jewett last Sunday.

Brunswick morality allows its band to play on Sunday.

Stetson, Child, and Winter have returned from teaching.

A Senior mentions Newton's great discovery of *electricity*.

Stetson has resumed his place at the Topsham Family School.

Jewett, '82, has presented the band with a new orchestra drum.

Books taken from the library are now recorded by the card method.

Bailey, formerly of '84, has been visiting his friends in college.

Z. W. Kemp, who recently entered '84, has joined Theta Delta Chi Society.

Libby has returned from teaching, and resumes his position as bell-ringer.

Austin will probably take Gannett's place in the Junior boat crew next spring.

The bell-ringer ought to get two marks as well as any one else when late at chapel.

Purington, who has been teaching the Grammar School at Topsham, has joined '85.

Who is the student that came off second best in a row with a teamster the other day?

For the benefit of the uninitiated it is announced that the bell is rung by depot time.

Inquiry has been made about the new ORIENT office that was proposed last term.

When one of the Sophomores wants a pail of water, it is said he speaks "*French*."

Prof. Chapman for the present will conduct the French recitations of the Sophomores.

President Chamberlain began lectures to the Seniors on Political Economy, Tuesday, 8th.

The Freshman who comes in late at chapel is evidently not well posted but gets a warm reception.

Wanted—A poetic contribution on the correlations of Beautiful Snow and Brunswick mud.

It is reported that S. T. White, class of '85, Colby, intends to come to Bowdoin next year.

E. U. Curtis, '82, has been threatened with typhoid fever and was obliged to go home. He is reported better.

The "little Mathematical room" is rather limited ground for a foot-ball game, as the broken windows testify.

The Sophomores have started a subscription to obtain sufficient funds, if possible, for "Burial of Analytics."

Who says the ORIENT has no influence? After our previous hints we have several boards placed at our muddiest crossing.

Twenty-six couples attend the dancing school. Quite a number more have applied for admission, but cannot be accommodated.

There is a rumor that several members of '85 are great ladies' men. Freshmen must bear in mind that they come here to learn.

'85's foot-ball eleven consists of Chase, captain, Brown, Butler, Davis, Ford, Gould, Harding, Howard, Hodgkins, Kendall, Mooers.

The class of '61 propose to establish in this college a Garfield Memorial Scholarship, to be in amount between \$1,000 and \$1,500.

A Junior rooming with a Freshman, says—"Chum and I agree perfectly. He's willing to do all the work and I'm willing he should."

J. F. Libby and J. W. Knapp were delegates to the thirty-fifth annual convention of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity at New York City, Nov. 2d and 3d.

The *Bugle* editors are getting to work very promptly, and are soliciting subscriptions. The usual delay of this publication ought to be avoided.

The wood yard is undergoing some needed improvements. It is yet undecided whether the new shed will be of the Gothic or Grecian style of architecture.

The lime barrels in front of Memorial have been disappearing very mysteriously, while there is a corresponding increase of kindling wood among the students.

In the absence of French recitations the Sophomores are having four exercises a week under Prof. Chapman, and are using a text-book entitled "How to write clearly." The usual amount of French will be taken in the place of Rhetoric after Prof. Johnson's return.

A lawn tennis club has been organized among the Sophomores. Is the practice ground located in the college woods because they are ashamed of their playing?

The stucco work on Memorial Hall is nearly completed. Some plaster ornamental casts are being put in which give the rooms a very fine and finished appearance.

The Freshmen are talking of buying '81's boat. The price is \$125. A committee has been appointed to examine the craft and confer with those who have it in charge.

Physics: "Can any of you imagine a place where all substances are in a gaseous condition?" An *audible* smile from the class. Prof. (tumbling)—"Of course I mean the surface of the sun."

The band rehearsed on Wednesday evening last week in order to allow its members to attend the "Chimes of Corneville," on Friday evening. They all can appreciate music.

The following Seniors have been appointed for the December exhibition: Salutatory, M. S. Holway, G. F. Bates, H. Carpenter, E. R. Jewett, E. T. McCarthy, G. H. Pierce, W. G. Reed, A. G. Staples.

There is an urgent need of a new chapel organ, and the matter is receiving some attention from those most interested. The choir have lately given some fine selections on Sunday evenings, but have been obliged to sing without accompaniment. A chapel concert like that of last winter might be a step in the right direction toward obviating the present necessity.

The following officers of the Sophomore class have been elected: Vice President, A. H. Brown; Marshal, H. R. Bradley; Eulogist, C. E. Sayward; Elegist, C. C. Torry; Panegyrist, A. C. Cobb; Odist, O. W. Means; Historian, C. W. Longren; Secretary and Treasurer, A. F. Sweetser; Committee of Arrangements, R. I. Thompson, M. H. Orr, S. W. Walker.

The offices in the Freshman class have been filled as follows: President, E. Thomas; Vice President, R. L. Manson; Secretary and Treasurer, F. W. Alexander; Orator, F. W. Davis; Poet, O. Dyer; Prophet, E. H. Allen; Historian, L. W. Cutter; Toast Master, Thos. Leigh, Jr.; Committee of Arrangements, R. Webb, W. M. Eames, R. Cook; Odists, T. B. Folsom, A. B. Bartlett, R. S. French.

After the boating meeting, on the 15th ult., it was found that according to the constitution it was necessary to have the treasurer aided by an assistant treasurer; also that according to custom the treas-

urer has been some recent graduate. A meeting of the association was held on the 10th, at which Mr. Cole, previously elected treasurer, courteously resigned, and Mr. F. A. Fisher, '81, was elected to the office. The office of assistant treasurer was then tendered to Mr. Cole and accepted.

## PERSONAL.

'37.—William H. Clark was in town a few days since. He resides in California, where he owns a large ranch. His father, William Clark, graduated from Bowdoin in 1810.

'68.—Leonard W. Rundlett was married Thursday, October 27th, in Milwaukee, to Miss Kitty Barry. He has the position of City Engineer of St. Paul, Mo.

'74.—S. V. Cole, the former instructor in Latin here, is now Associate Principal of the Greylock Institute, South Williamstown, Mass.

'75.—Charles L. Clarke was married September 14th, to Miss Helen E. Sparrow of Portland. It will be remembered that Mr. Clarke has charge of introducing Edison's electric light in New York City.

'77.—Orlando M. Lord became Principal of the Biddeford High School at the opening of the present term.

'77.—Robert E. Peary has left the U. S. Coast Survey, having been one of four fortunate competitors, out of two hundred, for a very good position for life in the civil engineering department of the navy. He passed a ten days' preliminary examination of eight hours a day. He is to take charge of all the civil engineering at the Washington navy yard. His salary is to be increased from time to time, and when he is sixty years old he is to be retired on three-fourths salary.

'77.—William G. Beale was admitted to the Illinois bar in March last. He at present occupies an office with *Cham & Lincoln*; the latter member of which firm is now Secretary of War. Address, 38 Honore Building, N. W., corner of Dearborn and Adams Sts., Chicago, Ill.

'78.—D. H. Felch was admitted to practice as an attorney in all the courts of the State, at the September term of the Superior Court, held at Worcester, Mass.

'80.—W. H. Chapman has charge of making the sanitary improvements at the White House.

'82.—F. H. Pease, a former member of this class, is literary editor of the *Tyftonian*.

'84.—C. E. Sayward is teaching school in Wells.

## COLLEGE WORLD.

## COLUMBIA:

The Sanscrit class consists of one.

Eighty-Three's eight came in a length ahead in the fall regatta.

The vacancy in the chair of English Literature is to be filled soon.

The School of Mines' Sophomores and Freshmen had a rush in their lunch room which resulted in a general demolition of the lunch counter and its contents. Cause, dissatisfaction with the caterer.

Scene: Junior class in Latin. Prof.—“This word *Mucius* may mean either one of two men named Mucius, just as when you hear of what Gen. Johnston did in the war you don't know whether Stonewall Johnston or the other General is meant.” Fact!

## DARTMOUTH:

Dartmouth College receives 1,000 volumes from the library of the late James T. Fields, while Harvard is to preserve the manuscripts of his poems and books. The noted author and publisher received A.M. from Harvard, and LL.D. from Dartmouth.

## HARVARD:

A late *Echo* has a plea for the production of a negro minstrel show by the students.

The *Crimson* states the urgent need of new members in the Chaucer Society and an increase of interest.

It is proposed to repeat the *Edipus* at Harvard this fall. The money realized will be used in founding an American School of Greek Archaeology at Athens. The prominent colleges of the country will be invited to contribute. The school will be in communication with the American Archaeology Society and the exploring party at Assos. A house is to be secured in Athens and the professors of contributing colleges will take turns of about two years each at Athens, thus having unusual means for original research.—*Ex.*

## YALE:

The *Banner* is the oldest college annual in existence.

Yale students are greatly troubled by thefts from their rooms.

Yale has sent out 9,202 alumni, of whom less than half are now living, and has conferred 11,909 regular degrees, and 923 honorary. 1707 was the date of the first conferred.

The Yale Faculty are putting in practice the hostage system of making one or more men responsible for the actions of their classmates. It is not at all satisfactory to the students.

## CLIPPINGS.

I stole my arm around her waist,  
For so the Fates had weaved it,  
And murmured nonsense in her ear,  
And she—said she believed it.

And ah! she seemed to lean on me,  
Her sweet breath played upon me,  
I've done the same to scores of girls,  
But this had near undone me.

What's that you say? “Fine thing to tell!”  
Why, sir, it was entrancing.  
“You don't doubt that—but still 'twas wrong?”  
Oh! Prude! We were but dancing!  
—*Lehigh Burr.*

Prof.—“Now, Mr. C., if this experiment proves successful, what will the result be?” Mr. C.—“The result? Oh, the result will be *inevitable!*”

At Mercer Hospital, there is a man, whose only words are: “Next! Next!” The doctors are in doubt as to whether he is an old college professor or a barber.—*College Transcript.*

As our Joe seated himself at the piano, he tipped over a vase that stood upon it. “Playing a knocked urn?” asked one of the company. “No,” said Joe, “that is only a jar gone.”—*Ex.*

A Freshman (describing the ancient gladiatorial contests) says: “When a man was killed he held up his finger, and if the spectators wished him to live they held up their thumbs.”

“We must agitate,” exclaimed an earnest political speaker, “we must agitate or we shall perish.” And then he agitated it gently with a spoon, and pretty soon it perished, all but the sugar.

Gin Sling is the euphonious name of a Chinese student at Yale. Who knows but that at some time in the vast future Gin Sling may become one of the ornaments of the New York Bar.—*Varsity.*

Boarding house brilliancy—“Sweets to the sweet,” said the funny young man as he handed the waiter girl a faded bouquet. “Beets to the beet,” returned the girl as she pushed him a plate of the vegetables.

A new play is being written in which the hero is found lost and flying in the desert, chained to the bare back of a bicycle. His deliverer proves to be a princess, who marries him and makes him captain of a base-ball nine.—*Ex.*

Two bad students who have just been to Somerset, on their way home run into a post and the following conversation takes place: First Student—“Here stands a post.” Second Student—“Chum, ole f'ler, pull yourself together! I see two. What we's got to do's go between 'em.”

The farmer that "ran rapidly through his property," wore a red shirt and had his brindle bull behind him.

Scene in Junior recitation room. Prof.—"What did Wickliffe write?" Student—"I believe he wrote a Bible."—*Courant*.

## EDITORS' TABLE.

The *Chronicle* shows the great interest among the students at Ann Arbor in the eastern trip of their football eleven. Its last issue contains full accounts of the games with Harvard and Yale. They appear well pleased with the result of their trials of strength and skill. The need of a gymnasium has long been felt at that university, and the *Chronicle* says: "Among the various buildings in the college grounds at Cambridge, none delighted the eleven from Ann Arbor more than the Hemenway Gymnasium. They thought if the Board of Regents could but be induced to come to Cambridge and pay this wonderful institution a visit, that the question of a gymnasium at the University would soon be settled in the affirmative."

The *Yale News* is very active this year. It has a long string of grievances and does not hesitate to mention them. It is difficult for the bi-weeklies to call attention to any matter concerning college welfare which has not been treated previously by its lively little neighbor. The *News* has a great abundance and variety of editorials and is very generally used as an organ of those desiring to discuss college matters. The *Yale Log* is always spicily. The constant insertion of such an item as "To get one of those reversible check rubber coats from Brooks & Co.'s, Chapel, corner State, is quite the proper act," adds variety to its columns, and we presume is profitable, but such a frequently reiterated statement loses its force.

The last *Acta* is very entertaining. It contains a "Short History of the game of La Crosse," in which the mode of playing practiced by its Indian originators is described. The game was frequently a great contest between tribes in which the goals were half a mile apart, and as many as a thousand carefully trained warriors played on a single side. Loss of life was not uncommon.

The *Spectator's* sketches are very good, but deal too exclusively with society topics. Cannot subjects as worthy of the caricaturist's pencil be found in our legitimate college life.

We have received a copy of the *Oxford and Cambridge Undergraduates Journal*, a dull, ponderous weekly, a marked contrast to our lively college papers. Its literary matter consists of sermons delivered the previous Sunday in the Oxford and Cambridge churches. It speaks very intimately of our neighbor, the *Bates Student*, and quotes some stale jokes from it. We notice that to nearly all of its advertisements the significant note is added that discounts of from five to ten per cent. are made on all cash purchases. Hereafter when we find our friends running up too large bills we shall accuse them of apeing English customs.

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shame.  
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lords,  
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bright swords.  
Let friars pray, and striplings love, and courtiers bend the  
knee,  
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(When at ye ball ye festyve fyd—  
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Her buckle shoe.

Ye youth doth love thatt leathern lye,  
'Neath wylch fyve small, pynk toes are hyd  
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The present number has been purposely delayed in order to prevent too long an interval between this and the following number, which will be issued at the close of this term. We bespeak the patience of our readers, and acknowledge that the delay has not been wholly unpleasant to ourselves. With Christmas in the near distance, and under the shadow of a Thanksgiving past, we feel within a charmed circle and claim indulgence accordingly.

Two of the current topics demand a word, viz., payment of subscription and contribution

of articles from the Junior Class. We spoke of the former in the last issue, and hope that at earliest convenience the arrears will be settled. With regard to the latter we suggest that the work of the present board is drawing to a close, and that time is short in which articles can be handed in and published. We request articles legibly written on one side of the paper on topics as fresh and interesting as possible, and only regret that we have not been more favored in the past.

#### We clip the following from the *'Varsity*:

It appears that at Bowdoin College, Maine, the terpsichorean art is on the curriculum. The ORIENT announces that twenty-six couples take the dancing lectures, and that quite a number more have applied for admission but cannot be accommodated.

The above is slightly misconceived. We really hope that every one will not believe it. We doubt if the writer himself would consider it so apparent if he should pay us a visit and endeavor to discover which one of our Faculty would be most likely to don the conventional swallow-tail and lead us in the mazy. Fond parents who send their sons here need not fear, for we assure them that the Faculty does not dance, in public at least. What is most alluring in the above is the idea of its being on the curriculum in the form of "dancing lectures," and with a crowded house—"standing room only" at every entertainment. The coolness with which the *'Varsity* indulges the idea is refreshing, and makes us fondly imagine how pleasant it would be if our august professors only would put away serious affairs, and devote the afternoons to leading the faltering footsteps of the debutant through the measures of the dreamy waltz. *A la 'Varsity*, what an elysium it would be!

We can but feel that it is a sad fact that we are possessed of fewer associations for the study of the great authors. What we mean is that at every progressive college except our own we find various organizations known as Shakespeare clubs, Chaucer clubs, and the like, and we are convinced that such organizations, if they serve the end intended, are valuable in every way. A critical knowledge of Shakespeare is a valuable, almost indispensable acquirement, and something not attained in a cursory study of English Literature. The time was, we are assured, when such an organization existed among certain students as a private venture, and where those who admire the masters were content to meet and discuss their works. There is also no reason why we should not be possessed of a similar organization to-day, and why the college should not carry among its institutions means for a broader and more critical study of the masters of the English tongue. An organization for the study of Shakespeare, for instance, with adequate instruction in the same from our Faculty, would serve an admirable end and give us opportunities which we do not now possess.

The eternal edict of our Down East weather prohibits foot-ball, and with the laurels of a successful season resting *à la mode* upon their brows, our captains can go and have their pictures taken. A Freshman says that he thinks that they won't play any more because their new foot-ball is worn out, which is, we think, a judicious as well as economic conclusion. Seriously, we think that we have no cause to be dissatisfied with this season's work in this direction. We have at least as a college become interested in the game and have reasonable prospects that next year more will be done. It is a matter of comment that foot-ball has been very interesting throughout the college community this season. The season closes with Yale at the front. We have, as

we said before, no reason for dissatisfaction, and the meagre results of our practice will, we doubt not, be evident in no inconsiderable degree next year if the college sees fit to take the game up where this season left it. The game needs none of our championship as a game, only our support as a game for this college. This it has always had. The season is marked at least by the first attempt within our knowledge to investigate the game, and as such deserves to be remembered.

We feel that it is a matter of congratulation that the Senior Class Elections are over. The delay and consequent unsettled state of feelings in the class were certainly not the least factors in the affair, and the sooner the business was settled the better for the general peace of mind. Now that it is over we feel justified in allowing that the elections of this year have been made judiciously and well. There was very little to disturb the harmony, and with a few exceptions no delay beyond that consequent upon an election of this kind.

By far the pleasantest feature of the affair is that the class is not any the worse off for the election. It is much better that class day be less brilliant and that the class go on as it has gone on hitherto, bearing no enmity among its members and united in a common cause, than that it be broken up into factions and all the pleasant relations of class be destroyed. That it is a dangerous era in every class life is undoubted, and it is an unfortunate circumstance that it must come up as it does to even partially estrange its members. We presume that no improvement can be made in the method of an election, but believe that we are not alone in wishing that elections might be conducted without reference to society affairs. The morals of a class election are varied. We find many who believe, as President Garfield believed, that "Things don't turn up in this world until somebody turns them up," and many who exemplify what the *Crimson* states,

that "in the world at large 'estates, degrees, and offices' are often purchased with the honor of the wearer," but in spite of this we can claim that the last Senior election was among the happiest that history has recorded. What we wish is that class day may be a crown of glory to the good sense and a reward of merit to the able selection of the class, and that the class may in the meantime forget that it has had an election.

It has been represented to us that the constant playing of band instruments is very annoying to students who are accustomed to devote any time to study. Piano playing and the like at most colleges are restricted to those hours which students are most accustomed to devote to pleasure, and while we would not plead for any such restriction we would, at the suggestion of very many readers, urge upon our untiring musicians a more careful and judicious selection of hours. It is exceedingly annoying to attempt to study while above is a clarinet player, at the left another, below a parlor organ, and through the partition a proficient on the bass horn. We are pleased to notice that the band is running, and would in connection inquire anxiously if it never runs down, but we suggest again that more attention be paid to the legitimate business of students.

We are always glad to receive communications, as through them the spirit of the college on matters of importance can be learned in a way better perhaps than through editorial utterances. The general fault, however, with the communications we have received is their extreme length. It seems to be thought necessary that a simple matter cannot be treated without a formality and tediousness more worthy of a philosophical discussion. Write as you think and feel, and you will not use dull, dry words winding out into interminable length. If the subject is not important

do not try to make it so by a formal setting forth of it, but if you consider it to be of vital interest write as if you were interested in it. A few short, vigorous sentences, showing the honest opinion of an unprejudiced observer, has more influence than pages of personal arguments.

A neighboring journal asks the opinion of college men in regard to the evil influences of college life, and promises a cordial reception to their honest reflections. Inasmuch as the same sheet has been active in its inquiries concerning the recent trouble, and strong in its denunciation of pernicious practices, it would seem that the general tenor of the State press was towards a careful scrutiny of the college and its work. The article in question dilates at length on the evil tendencies of the *morale* of college life, and avers that its general tendency is towards harm. While we are convinced that the conclusion is erroneous we are not at liberty to discuss it in these columns, but are of the honest opinion that not the slightest harm could come from a comparison of the influences of college with those of the world at large. It is a matter of moment to anxious parents as to whether they are sending their sons to all the evil influences of the most degrading habits and associations, or to the better influences of a Christian college and the association with well-bred young men. We presume that the honorable record of college-bred men is no argument, and the assertion that no fewer fall by the wayside in college than in the world, will be doubted, and we wish, therefore, that the matter might be candidly discussed, with the same desire after truth that the writer of the article evinced, and we are quite sure that the work of our colleges will not be found unproductive of results wholly beneficial.

Diplomas at Princeton cost \$14.50.

## SUNSET.

At close of day  
I marked the brazen rim of light  
Bounding the low horizon's dusky brim;  
Beheld it melt, and swim, and fade away  
From gold to red, to gray, then vanish quite,  
And leave me gazing on a leaden sky.

## Thought I:

The eternal, restless years, that hurrying by  
With such impetuous haste, on eagle wing,  
So waste our feeble strength, and sternly fling  
Us from them; sad, sad it were,  
If, in the deep abyss, the dreary waste  
Of time, we hailed the dawning  
Of no brighter day than this;  
The beaming of no rosier morning  
Than to-morrow's.

## THE SPHINX OF FATE.

The charm with which mankind regards works of antiquity, though perhaps not fully explicable, is so natural that its existence has never been regarded as matter for surprise. Admiration for monuments of ages long buried in the charnel-house of oblivion is about the only sentiment from which modern *savans*, with their skeptic disregard for existing institutions, have withheld the touch of their ridicule. The sentiment is as universal as the race, and he who disregards it contradicts nature. No wonder man should regard with admiration whatever has so long withstood the relentless touch of time, which so hedges in his own little existence; that he should look with awe upon the few monuments of the past over the grave of which all else has been leveled; and read with a hungry interest the traditions which, originating in obscurity and preserved through the generations, furnish the only account of dead and buried ages. They are the outcroppings in the Geology of Time, representing whole systems of which the ages of men are only the laminae.

Ruins that are brought to light by the researches of the antiquarian are deprived of much of their grandeur. The fact that they perished at the hand of time, and were resur-

rected by, and owe their existence to, man, robs them of their dignity. But grand above all grandeur, worthy of admiration, ay, of veneration and awe—dignity personified—are those few works of man's hand, which, defying the power of time, have stood for thousands of years, linking the present with the past and absorbing into their own existence the recollections, associations, and legends of the rolling ages.

Among those works the Sphinx stands without a parallel. For thirty centuries it has watched the deserts as the winds blow over them, and thrown its earnest, awful gaze out over those arid wastes. Tourists have admired it; painters have tried to catch its inspiration; and beholders have dreamed their waking, destiny-burdened dreams in its presence. Let us in imagination stand where others have stood in that presence, and see if we cannot catch a meaning in the solemnity of that face.

We are in the midst of a desert. In the sky the few shreds of down-like clouds ride lazily upon the warm breath of the tropics. To the northward the blue of the sky seems to fade into that of the Mediterranean; eastward the sluggish Nile bears onward its burden from equatorial lakes, and beyond, the white haze from the Red Sea rises through the rifts in the mountain chain; to the south the unknown lands stretch away into obscurity and tradition; while to the west, beyond reach of the eye, the imagination loses itself in a vast sea of burning sand. What a solitude!

Look now at the Sphinx. It seems a thing of life in this solitude which it commands. Its distant, unbending gaze is fixed upon something far out over desert and mountains. You would think from those stern and hardened features it saw destiny itself. No blow from your hammer can change them. For thirty centuries it has worn that look of distant contemplation, and will wear it. It changed not its features when the multitudes

that once peopled these plains hurried to their mountain tombs, nor relaxed them amid the thunders of Sinai. Unmoved it saw the pilgrimage, crucifixion, and resurrection. It has seen amid the rise and fall of nations a new civilization encircle the globe. Through centuries of darkness and civilization, through ages of justice and of crime it has cast that same fateful look far out upon the goal of its own contemplation. Surely such a creation must embody an idea. Where among human actions shall we find its counterpart?

Search the pages of history—the chequered career of men and nations. Notice the alternate triumph of right and wrong; the progress of the race, its zigzag course, its halts, its retrogressions. See the meaningless waste of human endeavor; the collision and mutual destruction of opposite waves of human action; the equipoise of contrary opinion; the progress of ages lost in a day; the destruction of life; the loss of happiness; the wailing of misery. Is it, after all, a meaningless medley?

Look again. We see amidst it all a figure calm and dignified, towering above the desert of human action. It is the Sphinx of Fate. Regardless of the surging and struggling around, it fixes its gaze afar off upon the goal of history. The meaning of its calm eye none can interpret, and the lineaments of the stern features no human endeavor can change. While the panorama of human action passes in ever changing scenes across its vision, it sees only destiny in the background. It has grown old with the world. It saw the peopling of the earth, the advancement and regeneration of man. It has been present and witnessed all the mutations since the creation. It has seen the standard of right raised only to be overthrown by the force of wrong. It has seen the same old spirit of oppression slain a thousand times only to be a thousand times reborn in new and more specious forms. It has seen desire put as a substitute for right, and intolerance, fanaticism, and prejudice

stand as the inevitable accompaniments of progress. All those things it has seen with that same calm indifference, but it has regarded them only in their relations to that course upon the goal of which the eye has ever rested. Let us then think that success and defeat, pleasure and pain are not what they seem, but only necessary parts of one symmetrical whole. Let us hope that when at the end of the rolling ages that goal is finally reached, the features of Fate may relax into a look of approval.

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#### THE CHAPEL BELL'S STORY.

I was sitting alone by the fire weaving a day dream, thinking why boys will smoke and what all this great busy crowd of young men will do when they emerge into the unclassic world, and as the tones of the chapel bell came in upon me I reached up and took from the shelf the quaintest, sweetest bit of biography in the world, Hawthorne's *Bell's Biography*, and read while the fire glowed.

It was dark, and I was alone. I missed the fire and the book, and found myself in the vestibule of the chapel. It was very still around me, but up above the murmur of the wind around the chapel bell, as it sang its never-ending song, playing among the dusty rafters for a moment in its eternal life, joining and again winging itself away to the unknown, sounded to me as if all the many voices of the bell, all the tones and tunes it had ever sung were alive once more and holding high carnival. Up by the rickety ladders, waking the doves and stirring up a tempest of cooing noises, I passed and stood by the bell. A flood of the night mist, a twinkle of starlight, a view of the college walks, and then the bell began to creak and groan again, and turning from the slatted window I hearkened to its life history. The lurid flames leaped

and glowed where it was born. A holy lady cast her gold into the melting caldron, and the bell shone with pride at the recollection.

The people gathered at its birth festival, and I recalled how the swarthy men stood by and watched its glowing face. It was in sunny France, where the hills were vine-clad, where the blue waters of a winding river lounge along to meet the sea, and where a happy hamlet clusters secure upon its banks, that it first saw the light of day, and at close of day, as the light was fading from the hills that, mute and silent, it was borne into the open air. Marked it was indeed. It had the imperial crest and the imprint of the pope, and with due solemnity was hung in the belfry of the village church. It swung there ten happy years. It swung until the people loved it for its clear, sweet tones, loved it because it had rung jubilantly at the marriage day, and tolled at the funeral, and pealed forth at the christening until it had linked itself with their holiest thoughts. The end came when its clear, pleasant tones met the king's ear. The bell told me with many a creak and groan how sad the parting was, how with muffled voice it journeyed away from the winding river of its birthplace over the sunny roads of France, through valleys shut in by hills in harvest time, and how at length it left the dusty road and, seated on its chariot, clattered up the stony pavements of the royal city. For years it pealed forth in the *carillons* of Paris, tolled at St. Bartholomew's day, saw the streets run red at the sight of the guillotine, until the city grew, until the little shrine over which it presided fell a prey to the progress of improvement, and one day it found itself on earth once more. It was in the days of the awakening of our young republic, when New England ships dotted every sea, and when New England town magistrates visited the cities of the continent and purchased marketable relics, and this is how it was bought. The village squire paid over the price in shin-

ing eagles, and so it came over the sea to swing in the belfry of the little building on the clearing that served as town hall and church for the growing little town on Massachusetts coast. Thus it came to continue its life work, looking out on the heaving sea, and breathed on by the salt breezes of the Atlantic. Oft in winter it longed for its fatherland, thought of the humble French peasantry who came at its bidding and knelt at the shrine within its call, but it grew also to love the sturdy sea and to listen to its wave notes, and fling back the harmony of its grand old anthem.

And so it lived till its surroundings again outgrew it, and when the little village had its bank and factory, the bell in the town hall was removed from its hangings and consigned once more to the tender mercies of the world. The precursor of the bell, in New England, was the triangle suspended from a beam and when struck vigorously emitted a sound loud enough to be heard any Sabbath over a village; but bells were as necessary in Maine as in Massachusetts, so in a certain puritan college in New England a bell was a *desideratum*. The town magnate above was an alumnus, and a religious one, and so he sent the bell as a present to his *Alma Mater*, and packing it on a horse sent it through the Maine wilderness and suspended it in the chapel tower.

The bell told me of its journey in summer time, how proud it was of its elevation, and how of late years only its shame had come upon it. Told, with many groanings, how incompatible it was with its past history that it should be so hung, that it is impossible to be decently rung, and how it longs for its sunny birthplace and its home by the heaving sea, and earnestly, expectantly awaits its final rest.

The chapel bell's story was over and I was by my fire again, but I honestly believe the bell's story had a moral. I thought how



much better it would be if the most constant attendant upon our studies, the herald of our opening college life, the summons to the cordial lessons from our gray-haired teacher, could be rejuvenated and made a more pleasant musical reminder of the never-ending flight of time.

CLIO.

## COMMUNICATION.

### *Editors of Orient:*

In the last few numbers you have sufficiently agitated the matter of a gymnasium, and fully expressed the need among us students of some regular system of exercise. As we are not likely, however, to have our wishes fulfilled, at least during the coming winter, it may be well to offer through your columns some substitute for the old gymnasium which will obviate the present necessity.

We understand that all the machinery of the former gymnasium has been removed and placed in safe keeping. Now, as there are several unoccupied rooms in college, it seems as though some of the appliances, such as the parallel bars, Indian clubs, and sliding weights, might be placed in one of these, so that those desiring to do so could, under proper direction, take regular exercise in the usual manner.

It may be objected that inmates of the same building would be disturbed by even the unavoidable amount of noise, and that the room would be injured, or some of the clubs etc., be *borrowed*. But, if we remember that the time of day when we used to exercise in the gymnasium is devoted to study by very few students, as almost all are about the campus, in the reading room, or down town at that hour, the first objection will seem less obtrusive. We think, further, that no more damage to the building would be done, in the way suggested, than by some of the nocturnal festivities lately carried on in these rooms,

and overlooked in silence on the part of the Faculty. The students, too, appreciating the advantage gained, would be inclined to more than usual care of the surroundings. Then, if charge of the whole matter was given to some competent person, there would be no more danger or loss of the property than in the old building, which was often necessarily left open and unattended.

As matters seem to be running now, the records of our next spring sports will show a lack of thorough training during the winter. Therefore, if it is not deemed advisable for all to occupy a college room for this purpose, at least some such arrangement ought to be made for the boating men and ball nine.

If those interested among the students, will take hold of this project, or any other having the same object, we feel sure that the Faculty will gladly accede to the proposal.

O. N. E., JR.

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

Seniors complain of overwork.

Holden, '83, is teaching in Friendship.

Jewett, '82, has gone home on account of sickness.

There was some skating on the river during recess.

The Sophomores decided to have their turkey at home.

Purington, '85, has pledged to Alpha Delta Phi Society.

Prof. Campbell began a course of lectures November 29th.

The Commencement moustache is visible in the Senior class.

The first exercise in Parliamentary Law was held last Wednesday.

Twenty-two students remained in college over Thanksgiving.

The new picture in the library was presented by Rev. A. L. Park of Gardiner.

Recitations were begun promptly on Monday morning after recess.

The Senior and Junior Exhibition will be on the evening of December 22d.

While Longren is out teaching, Perkins, '83, has taken his place in the library.

There is a rumor that the lamp chimneys in the reading room have been cleaned.

The Musical Association, under Mr. Kotzschmar, held the first meeting on the 29th.

Prof.—“Is this element a gas?” Student—“N-a-w, sir, I g-a-s not.” Correct.

Reviews of the classes having examinations at the end of the term, begin this week.

Stinchfield, '82, has finished his school at West Auburn, and returns to college this week.

A number of the alumni from '80 and '81 paid a visit to the college just before Thanksgiving.

The Freshmen appeared out in force at the last sociable. '85 promises to be quite a *society* class.

The trench dug for gas pipes was mistaken by several for the beginning of the desired crossing.

Student (dating excuse blank)—“Let's see, this is the last day of November.” Prof.—“Yes, the 31st.”

Hard on the boys. “I wish this class would recite as though they knew what they were talking about.”

There was some mistake about the exercises on Sunday before last, and consequently non-attendance by the students.

One of the Professors is reported to have purchased Dirigo Hall, intending to convert it into a tenement house.

The windows are being fitted in Memorial Hall, and it is expected as soon as this is completed that the frescoing will begin.

The members of '83 appointed for the Senior and Junior Exhibition are A. E. Austin, W. A. Perkins, G. B. Swan, and C. H. Stetson.

The Juniors in Physics have been divided, so that those who elect this study in the spring term recite separately from the rest of the class.

Mason, '82, has finished his term in the Bowdoinham High School and returned to college. Child, '84, takes charge of this school for the next term, beginning in a few weeks.

A member of '85 has learned that the skeleton hanging in Cleaveland was obtained from the remains of a former victim of Phi Chi.

Logic: Example (giving an example of the syllogism)—“All men are animals. I am an animal, therefore I am a man.” Class applaud.

Fresh to Soph.—“How time slips away here at college!” Soph.—“That's so, it goes so fast a fellow don't get time to study hardly any.”

For perhaps the first time in the history of the college *free beer*, which was found so mysteriously Saturday evening, seemed to go a begging.

The Freshman Orchestra seems to exist as an undeniable fact. It has nine pieces, and meets for rehearsal on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

Sawyer, '81, has been in town to arrange for a club of medical students during the winter, and is intending to attend lectures at the medical school.

Some one recently thought several recitation rooms were improperly ventilated and therefore removed the windows to a safe distance in the woods.

President Chamberlain begun extra lectures to the Senior class last Friday, holding the exercise at 4.15 P.M., in order not to interrupt the regular recitations.

Lieut. Crawford will resign his position in connection with this college, and leave town within a few weeks, though his term does not expire until next summer.

WANTED.—Copies of the “Bowdoin Bugle” for years 1873, 1874, and 1876, and of the “Bowdoinensis”. Also a copy of No. 1, Vol. IV. BOWDOIN “ORIENT.” Address to “ORIENT.”

The students appeared very anxious to take in the temperance lecture and the sermon on the evils of dancing, delivered on Sunday last. Both the addresses came at a time when they could be appreciated.

The following is related of Prof. Cleaveland on receiving a gold-headed cane from the students: “I might be a man of many faults and failings, but I did not know that I was going to get a *cane-in* from the students.

We neglected to mention in our last number the visit paid to Lewiston by several members of this college, in order to attend the prize declamations at Bates. The boys have since spoken of the attention they received and were highly gratified by the courtesies shown them by the Bates students.

Next spring the Freshman nine will play in the following positions: Mooers, catcher; Cook, pitcher; Chase, first base; Harding, second base; Folsom, third base; Goodenow, short-stop and captain; Bartlett, left field; Wardwell, centre field; Hodgkins, right field.

A quintette of students consisting of Barton, Butler, Dike, Pierce, and Stetson, was present at the closing exercises of the Bowdoinham High School, Saturday evening, November 26th, and assisted by selections of college music. On the following Monday evening, a number from college attended a dramatic entertainment in that village.

We learn from the daily papers of the death of Richard E. Johnson at his home in Farmingdale, Dec. 4. He was formerly in business at Gardiner and was the father of Prof. Henry Johnson of this college. Prof. Johnson, who was called home a number of weeks ago by his father's illness, will return at once and resume his position in college.

The result of the Junior class election is as follows: President, R. C. Washburn; Vice-President, J. B. Reed; Marshal, G. B. Swan; Poet, A. J. Russell; Odist, J. Crowley; Orator, W. A. Perkins; Chaplain, B. Sewall; Curator, R. Linscott; Secretary and Treasurer, A. C. Gibson; Committee of Arrangements, F. E. Perham, S. T. B. Jackson, C. H. Dunning.

A company of cadets attended the funeral of Mrs. Crawford, and accompanied the procession to the depot. As the train left the station the cadets saluted with raised caps. The escort was conducted in an appropriate manner, and was designed to express the respect and sympathy entertained toward Lieut. Crawford by the members of his department in this college.

Articles on "Hazing at Bowdoin College" have found their way into the New York papers. We expect next to see the pictorial publications adorned with cuts depicting several Freshmen writhing in the agonies of an eyeless and maimed condition, a circle of blood-thirsty Sophs, in war paint, while in the rear appears the President accompanied by a posse of policemen.

A class meeting of the Seniors was held November 23d, at which the following officers were elected: Marshal, W. C. Merriman; President, W. G. Reed; Orator, M. H. Goodwin; Poet, J. F. Libby; Historian, C. H. Gilman; Prophet, H. Carpenter; Chaplain, W. W. Curtis; Odist, A. W. Mansur;

Address under the Oak, E. R. Jewett; Parting Address, A. M. Goddard; Committee of Arrangements, I. Stearns, G. H. Pierce, W. A. Moody; Committee on Pictures, J. R. Jordan, F. H. Eames, F. H. Blondel.

A letter has been received from the publishers of the *Carmina Collegensia* desiring the college to be represented in a new college song book. At a meeting, called by the president of the Senior class, the following committee was appointed to take charge of the matter: Pierce, '82; Sewall, '83; J. Torrey, '84; Butler, '85.

Just as the season for out-door sports was closing, an unusual activity, particularly in the direction of foot-ball seemed to possess the college. The game between the picked elevens from '82 and '83 was the first real attempt to conform the rules of our ordinary foot-ball to those in use among other colleges. Of the game little can be said, except that it was an improvement on the old style of playing. The elevens were very evenly matched, '82 being, perhaps, the better in a rush and '83 having more skill in driving the ball by fair kicks. At one time the Juniors lead by two goals and one touch-down, but the Seniors made some gain, so that when the time expired, the former were victorious by only one goal. It is now too late in the season to do anything further in this direction, but when the spring opens foot-ball can well be established among our permanent sports.

Major Sanger was once Military Instructor at Bowdoin. The following laughable anecdote about him we clip from a western paper: "Major Sanger, who is known in military slang as a 'bantam,' was returning, one day recently, from Bismarck to Fort Lincoln, which is across the river, and the ambulance in which he was riding was delayed by a team and wagon driven by one of the class known as mule-whackers in this country. The driver of the ambulance and the mule-whacker got into a wordy altercation, and Major Sanger got very indignant at what he believed to be impertinent language and unwarranted interference in his journey. He jumped from the ambulance, a Tom Thumb in size but a Goliath in fury, and exclaimed, 'Get that wagon out of the way.' The mule-whacker looked at him quizzically, and asked, 'Who the devil are you?' 'I am Major Sanger of the army, sir, and I want you to get that wagon out of the way.' The mule-whacker ejected a mouthful of tobacco into the road, and remarked, 'Do you know what I will do with you, Major Sanger, of the army, sir, if you don't

make less noise with your mouth?' 'What will you do?' inquired the major, looking as large and as fierce as possible. 'I'll set a mouse-trap and catch you, Major Sanger, of the army, sir, and give you to my puppy to play with.'

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## PERSONAL.

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'69.—M. E. Wadsworth is assistant in the Aggasiz Museum at Cambridge. He is one of the best lithologists in the country. The papers issued by him on this subject, may be found in the college library.

'70.—D. T. Timberlake, for several years past principal of Gould's Academy, Bethel, is at present teaching in Colebrook, N. H.

'73.—A. L. Crocker was in town a few days since, visiting friends. He was for two years assistant engineer in the construction of Steel Plant and Rolling Mills of the Springfield Iron Co., Springfield, Ill. He was also engaged one year in the same business, at the Vulcan Steel Works, St. Louis. He is now about beginning business on his own account in Minneapolis, Mo., under the firm name of Crocker & Pell, Founders, Machinists, and Mechanical Engineers.

'73.—A. J. Boardman is doing a business in real estate and loans in Minn., Mo. Has lately become the father of a second son.

'74.—D. O. S. Lowell is Principal of the High School in Ellsworth. He was in town a few days ago.

'77.—J. K. Greene is practicing law in Worcester, Mass.

'77.—J. A. Roberts, who is practicing law in Norway, was recently married to Miss Carrie A. Pike of that place.

'79.—Frank Kimball was recently married to Miss Gerrish, of Mechanic Falls, and has gone to Iowa City.

'79.—Achorn is engaged in filling a contract for ship frames in Linkwood, Ind.

'81.—Sawyer is studying medicine with Dr. Dolly in Cumberland.

'81.—Harding is teaching at Fort Fairfield.

'81.—D. J. McGillicuddy, represented Lewiston at the Laud League Convention at Chicago, last week.

'81.—Laue is here to visit his friends for a few days. Has been teaching at Canton.

'81.—Staples spent a few days here just before Thanksgiving. He has been teaching.

'81.—Joyce is teaching in Massachusetts.

'82.—E. U. Curtis has returned to college after six weeks' absence on account of sickness. He has not fully recovered, but is convalescent.

'82.—Stinchfield has just returned to college, having taught a successful term of school at West Auburn.

'83.—Fling is teaching at Gray.

'84.—The following members are now out teaching: Alexander, Butler, Dunham, Folsom, Kendall, Purington, Rogers, and Whittier.

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## CLIPPINGS.

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### LEFT.

Meet me, she said, by the orchard wall,  
To-morrow night, as the sun goes down;  
And this is to-morrow, and here am I,  
And there's the wall, and the sun's gone down.

—*Ex.*

First student to second—"He that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord. Have you got any tobacco?"

Professor—"Suppose you were hit on the head with a stick, where would the sensation be?" Senior—"In the stick." Professor—"Sufficient!"

Student (translating rather indistinctly)—"The Greeks were fond of having girdles about them." Prof.—"Yes, be careful not to omit the *d* sound."—*Round Table.*

A Senior boasted to his fair one "that the latter gave him his hat for an advertisement." She replied "that is a good idea, because if you look well in a hat, any one will." That Senior wears his silk.—*Olio.*

Student (under examination in physics)—"What planets were known to the ancients?" "Well, sir, there were Venus and Jupiter, and,"—after a pause,— "I think the earth, but I'm not quite certain."—*The Portfolio.*

Two Juniors out calling (old gent answers ring)— Juniors—"Good evening, sir." Old Gent—"Good evening." Juniors—"Are the young ladies in?" Old Gent—"Yes—in bed." *Exeunt duo Juniors.*—*Olio.*

## WHY?

Why does it haunt me, haunt me like this?—

Two or three freckles, the sauciest nose,  
Lips like cherries and made to kiss,  
Kissed by others since, I suppose.

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What does it matter? I had my share.  
Breezes and breezes fondle the rose,  
Tell me, for that is the rose less fair?

Tell me, for that is the rose less fair?

One wind comes as another goes,—  
*Ordo saeculorum*, why should I care?  
Breezes and breezes fondle the rose.

Lips like cherries and made to kiss,

Two or three freckles, the sauciest nose,—  
Out on it! why does it haunt me like this?  
Kissed by others since, I suppose.

—*Advocate*.

Professor of Rhetoric—"The figure is a faulty one; we cannot conceive a man taking arms against a sea of troubles, but it is possible to dyke a sea—the most natural thing to do is to dam a sea of troubles." Confusion reigns.

It was Saturday night in Leadville. Six rough miners were playing poker. But as the clock struck the hour of twelve, proclaiming that the Lord's day had come, with one accord they threw down their cards and left the saloon. They went across the street to see a dog fight.

Dashing Beauty to Verdant Freshman—"What is the difference between an apple and a young lady?" Freshie (diffidently)—"Don't know." Dashing Beauty (blushingly)—"Why, you see, you must squeeze an apple to get cider, but, as to the young lady, you must get side her to squeeze her." Freshie sides up.—*Ex.*

"Suippee," said Dingus, recently, "Why is the Columbia College press like a performance at Tony Pastor's?" "Because a bird in hand is worth two in a bush," replied Suippee. "Wrong," said Dingus, "it's because it is composed of Actors and Spectators." Suippee swept the floor, Dingus was the broom.—*Acta Columbiana*.

"Beautiful silken hair!" Phillip murmured fondly, toying lovingly with one of her nut-brown tresses, "soft as the plumage on an eagle's wing; light as the thistle down that dances in the summer air; the shimmer of sunset, the glitter of yellow gold, the rich red brown of autumnal forests blend in entrancing beauty in its—" and just then it came off in his hands and he forgot just what to say next.—*Ex.*

"The rain falls upon the just and the unjust," remarked the Sophomore editor as he left the sanctum with the editorial umbrella. "Upon the just, principally," commented the chief, "because the unjust have gone off with the umbrella."

Æsthetic young lady: "By the way, Mr. Gosoftly, have you read Bascom's 'Science of Mind?'" "N-n-a-w. I'm not reading much nowadays. I pass my time in original thought." Æsthetic young lady (with sympathy): "How very dreary, to be sure."—*Ex.*

## EDITORS' TABLE.

This week we give you a glance at a number of our exchanges.

The last *Athenæum* concludes "*Violas Vassar Venture*," a tale in fourteen chapters. It is the most ambitious attempt in recent college literature. In it the following is sung by a New England College Glee Club at Vassar:

## AIR.—A WARRIOR BOLD.

The basso bold  
Had caught a cold,  
And could not reach low B;  
The tenor, shrill,  
Seemed to be ill,  
Whene'er he tried for C.

The youth so young and fair,  
Who tried to sing the air,  
Yelled out so loud, he broke the crowd  
And gave them quite a scare.  
For what cared he for melody,  
Who was so "off the key?"

The *Argo* says: "Therefore once again we would respectfully,—nay, with tears in our eyes, request the *Athenæum* to bottle up, and to chain up their rabid exchange editor, or we shall be reduced to the necessity of forsaking our declared position and returning slur for slur."

The *Brunonian* says "Psychology is proving to be the most popular study of Senior year."

The *Oberlin Review* continues to be poorly printed with too fine type. The essay on Charlotte Bronte is well written, but contains nothing but what can be found in almost any cyclopædia.

At Oberlin, athletics have been laid aside for the winter, and the spare time and strength is devoted to debating societies, a number of which are in active operation and holding very enthusiastic meetings. The "Oberlin plan" of allowing students chances to

teach in the preparatory department is objected to by a writer who says it takes too much time from the other studies. We did not suppose that anything at Oberlin was capable of improvement.

The last *Crimson* tries to "brace up" the *Echo* by "sitting on it" severely. An editorial hints that there is not enough hard work put upon it, a fact which is very evident. Its locals add: "The *Echo* is evidently the child of the college, because it has not learned to spell." "So far as careful printing and general good style are concerned, the *Yale News* is a pleasant contrast to the *Echo*." This has too much truth in it, but we had rather see the *Crimson* stand up for its own college daily and leave criticism to outsiders. It is probable, however, that the *Crimson's* advice will be heeded more than that of any other of the *Echo's* exchanges. We do not consider the Darwinian sketch, "Our First Families," at all a success, and are surprised that the *Crimson* devotes so much space to it.

The *College Olio*, of Marietta, Ohio, relates the sad death of a Chinese student of the college, who settled up his worldly affairs, left a note directing that a few small debts be paid, and committed suicide by the use of chloroform. Cause: an attachment for a servant girl whom his friends advised him to give up.

We would not encourage such articles as that on "Goethe," which appears in the *Chronicle*. Such pieces ought to be considered "not available."

The University of Michigan wants to join the foot-ball league, *facultate volente*.

The *Chronicle's* sole editorial discusses civil service reform.

Our own professors may take a hint from this: "A very fine, large size portrait of Victor Hugo, taken from a painting made in '78, has been hung in Prof. Walter's recitation room. Other portraits of such authors as Goethe, Schiller, and Lessing, are to be obtained as soon as possible."—*Chronicle*.

The *Colby Echo* says in regard to base-ball: "At the last Commencement a number of the alumni, pleased with its brilliant history, suggested the idea of sending the nine during the next base-ball season on a tour to the New England colleges, and expressed a willingness to share the expenses. With the last graduating class the nine lost a few good players, but there are seven old players left. There is every reason to believe that we shall be able to hold the championship of the State next season, and also to hold a respectable position by the side of other college nines. If this plan is to be executed, operations can not be begun too early, either in arranging the nine or in testing the interest and generosity of the alumni."

The *Niagara Index* in its leading literary article on "Religious Institutions," makes such statements as that the Catholic religion is the fountain head whence flows everything beneficial to mankind.

The *Spectator* gives an account of further hostilities between '84 and '85. '84 blockaded '85 as they were holding a class meeting and kept them shut in over an hour. A fierce rush occurred after they were outside in which '85 was successful, after a long struggle. On a later day they had a cane fight, in which one man was badly hurt.

The *Lehigh Burr* starts out under favorable auspices. The exchange department of its second number is principally filled with the friendly notices it has received from the college press. This seems somewhat like self-flattery, but it gives as an excuse the fact that its exchanges have not as yet been opened to the public.

The literary department of the *Bates Student* is as dry as ever. The *Student* wants to become a bi-weekly paper instead of a monthly magazine. An '83 man at Bates has invented an electrical steel pen warranted not to corrode. The exchange department of the *Student* is managed unusually well.

The recent fire in Dartmouth Hall causes the *Dartmouth* into expressing the necessity of new and more safe college buildings, especially for the library which it says contains 60,000 volumes, and is the third in value of the college libraries of the country.

The *Amherst Student* pleads for a musical professorship and for the abolition of the Sunday afternoon service.

The *Yale Record* says that the Senior's petition for less work has been rejected by the Faculty. The *Record* begins an alphabetical mention of its exchanges.

The *Rutgus Targum*, a new exchange, discusses college matters in a common-sense way.

The *Yale Record* lately had the following Hudibrastic stanza:

ONE DAY.

When fiery Lucifer with mighty scratch  
Upon the mountainer's back has lit his match;  
And when old Zephyr with his bellows gay  
Has puffed the budding morn to full-blown day;  
When Sol has driven past the midday goal  
And down the westward course begun to roll;  
When creatures of a day have three times drunk,  
And Morpheus has tucked each in his bunk;  
When Madam Night at bashful Vesper's call  
Has thrown about our heads her old black shawl;  
And when the last deep stroke of twelve is done;  
One day is finished, and one more begun.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Before another number of the ORIENT shall greet our readers, they will have eaten their Christmas goose and made their New-Year's resolves. We hail with pleasant emotions a two weeks' respite from our troubles, and hope to return fully recuperated and with renewed courage to finish our arduous editorial duties. We review with pleasure the events of the term, and only regret that the hazing trouble should have arisen to mar the progress of a term, in other respects perfectly satisfactory. We would suggest to our Junior aspirants for ORIENT honors, to

resolve with the new year to make better known their aspirations through communications and contributions, and to our subscribers in general, that a resolve to pay subscriptions will be in order.

With visions of a pleasant vacation we wish you all a "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year."

The effort of the publishers of the *Carmina Collegensia* to produce a new college song book, ought to be heartily supported by every college man. The old songs have been literally sung to death, and it is high time for new ones with which we can show the beauties of our voices and charm our lady friends. The prizes offered for the best song, and also for the best words, may serve as incentives to spur many on to the work. Bowdoin should not be behind in this matter. That we have good musicians in our college no one will deny. Let them concentrate their energies and produce something which the college may well be proud of. The poetic element in college seems to be soundly sleeping, and only to awake when there is a prospect for class honor in this line; but we imagine that the thoughts of a four dollar bill will sufficiently arouse it to produce the necessary article.

We notice that the authorities of Colby University have recently made a special arrangement by which students, who are obliged to be out teaching, can make up their back work. Although we don't know just what the arrangement is, yet we cannot help thinking that it is a step in the right direction. There is much need of such an arrangement here at Bowdoin. Many of our num-

ber are obliged to be out during the winter, and, under the present system of making up, lose nearly all the benefit to be derived from the studies pursued during their absence. As it stands now, the back work is, in the majority of cases, simply "crammed" and put out of the way with the least possible trouble, and consequently with the least possible good resulting from it. It would seem that the college work is considered of little importance when a man can be out three months, and in the next three months, at the very most, can easily make up his back work and keep along with his class. Would it not be a good idea for our authorities to investigate this question, and see if some improvement cannot be made in this direction?

We are pleased to report that there is a movement on foot to establish a permanent library fund of about \$20,000, the income of which is to be used for the purpose of increasing the number of books in our library. Subscriptions to some amount have already been received and it only remains for the friends of the college to swell the subscription list to the required amount. Although we have a very large number of valuable books in our library, yet we have comparatively few recent works. Our alumni and friends should remember that a good library is a very necessary part of our college, and that it is as essential to keep this in good running order as the various professorships, etc. We trust that this project will receive the attention of our alumni, and that we may soon have the pleasure of seeing our library made equal to the best.

Suggestions have frequently been made about the care of the reading room. But the critical student should not lose sight of the fact that there is some responsibility resting upon him, as well as on the one who has

charge of it. We refer to the disorderly way in which the papers are dropped here and there, after being read, instead of being hung in their proper places. The janitor of the reading room cannot be entirely responsible for the confusion of the room, as it is not his duty to be present all the time just to keep the room in order. We do not wish to complain, but would kindly suggest to those who read the papers that it would add very much to the appearance of the room if they would take the slight pains to hang the papers up after they have finished reading. And not only this, but it would obviate the inconvenience often experienced in having to hunt around on the settees, desk, or floor, for a paper which has been carelessly dropped. A little care would not only prevent the papers from being unnecessarily torn and soiled, but would add much to the orderly appearance of the room.

It is to be regretted that the editors of the *Bugle* are unable to produce their publication before the first of next term. We have learned to look for the *Bugle* at the end of the fall term, and when it fails to appear at that time there seems to be a loss of interest in it and of support given to the editors.

When we take into consideration the fact that the editors were appointed about two weeks later this term than usual, and the constantly increasing difficulty in the production of a *Bugle* fully up to the requirements of the term, we cannot wonder that they are a little behindhand with their work. Of course the editors could have rushed ahead with their work and produced a *Bugle* this term, but the fate of their publication would have been uncertain. We are all ready to condemn a poor publication of any kind, and certainly if with a longer lease of time the present editors are enabled to produce a *Bugle* of superior merit, we certainly ought not to complain. We trust that every man

in college will support the present editors in their work, and that in after time, reminded of the uncharitableness of their college friends by empty purses, they may not curse, as many of their predecessors have, the day on which they took upon their shoulders the arduous and thankless duties of editors of the *Bowdoin Bugle*.

We feel like shaking hands with Yale and congratulating her on her remarkable success in the athletic arena during the season. In boating, base-ball, and foot-ball she stands at the head, and has every reason to be proud of her victories since they have all been gained by hard work and diligent training. She has found opponents of no mean calibre in the other colleges, but has steadily held her own, and now stands forth crowned with the laurels of success in every department.

Among the various needs of Bowdoin is that of a chemical lecture room in connection with the laboratory. The laboratory is at present arranged in a very convenient way for practical work in chemistry. It is, however, too small to be convenient, both for a lecture room and laboratory. It is too much crowded to meet the requirements of a suitable room. In this particular it is not convenient for the students, besides the professor is cramped for room to properly manipulate the apparatus in the performance of experiments to illustrate his lectures. It is almost impossible to prevent jostling some of the apparatus in going in or out of the room.

The only way to remedy these inconveniences would be to either build on an addition to the laboratory, or a new building in connection with it. We would invite the attention of those interested in the college to this matter, hoping that a generous spirit may open their hearts and pocket-books to supply this need.

### REFLECTION.

Often times are we reminded  
That this life is passing by,  
And as New-Year's day approaches  
We reflecting breathe a sigh.

Breathe a sigh yet all unconscious,  
For the heart its secrets keep,  
Still the sigh's an index finger  
Pointing to emotions deep.

Such perchance may be repentant  
For some careless word or deed,  
For some golden moment wasted  
E're we thought its worth to heed.

Life indeed is far too scanty  
To permit us time to waste,  
For the good we do is little  
How'er much we would make haste.

Hence review the year that's passing,  
See in what your fault's abound,  
And resolve that in the New Year  
Such mistakes shall not be found.

Let reflection be a beacon  
That shall point where dangers be,  
So that you may thus escape them  
As the mariner at sea.

### REVERIES.

I don't know how it is, I am sure, but somehow or other the hour just before bedtime is most fitly given up to meditations and reveries. The cares of the day have fallen from you like a garment laid aside to be resumed on the morrow, and the mind is all ready to travel whither you will. If of "generous creed," "brave Sir Walter's dream-compelling weed" is now a fit companion. The glowing coals are just beginning to ash over, the bright light of the lamp barely drowns the moonbeams on the floor, but leaves their white ghosts in triangles and parallelograms of light. If you dwell, as the writer, on the fourth story, the situation too is favorable. You are "next to the stars," as Geo. McDonald so pleasantly puts it, and all the noise and bustle is below you, and you feel it well that you are above it.

The associations are good, also. On the next floor Longfellow roomed and Hawthorne's

name is cut deep on the granite window sill. We have often wondered if it was the real Hawthorne or some one who came after him. At any rate he had a right to be proud of the name and to leave it carved in granite, as Hawthorne himself did on that more enduring granite, the hearts of men. How many boys doubtless have looked upon that carving there and been aroused to better effort and greater ambition, and how many will look upon it and be made stronger, though the world may never know it by such enduring monuments as the bearer of the name himself left.

We often think of Hawthorne's college days, of his not attending to his studies quite as well as he ought perhaps, but never neglecting those studies which made his name immortal,—Nature and his own thoughts. Doubtless he looked out of these very windows and watched the moon rise over the pines, shining through the green chinks in their branches, but at last heaving herself up into the clear blue and throwing her light down the avenues of trunks in the near woods. These, too, were the times of open fires and fireplaces. How the wood crackled and snapped, throwing coals out into the room to attract him from his books and prevent him from studying by its very cheerfulness!

How associations such as these make us love a place! The very rooms we live in for three or four years become homes. We have sufficient company in the names written with diamonds on the glass and cut on the sills. We come to know them and have favorites among them, and can almost guess at their thoughts. Out of the embers of the fire comes a face which we associate with a name cut on the window pane; and it tells us of the uselessness of human endeavor and effort, of ungratified ambitions and noble thoughts unrealized. Quickly is it crowded from its place by another, and we learn that as we grow older does life become happier, and that our rosiest dreams can be surpassed. Others

flock by and in turn yield their places till the space is occupied by smiling faces and beckoning hands, when,—heigh-ho! what is this? The fire has gone out with an expiring flicker, and we are watching the dead coals. The pipe is only half smoked by our side, and its dreamy fragrance just lingers in the room. Our thoughts have carried us a little farther than we meant. Yes, it is quite midnight, for the town clock is striking. We will seize the poker with a vain hope and stir the coals, wish you good-night, and as pleasant reveries and dreams.

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#### WHEN GREEK MEETS GREEK.

We three were seated around a table. Phil on one side with his back to the fire and Dan on the other. I was at one end. The student lamp was my vis-a-vis. Its jaundiced rays gave a yellow hue to our countenances. The room was filled with the fumes of our cigars. We were playing cards, or rather it was something more than play. It was a man's game. We were playing poker. Poker has been called the great American game. It has no affinities with those friendly card games in which the two opposites are partners. In it can be exhibited more phases of character than in any or all other well-known games. For success in it is required a proper balance of opposite qualities. Boldness and discretion are equally necessary. In playing it a man lays open his mind. A careful observer of a game can read the players' idiosyncrasies better than any phrenologist. Its independence suits Americans. Each man for himself is our idea of liberty. There is an element of chance about it, but who does not like good fortune. If fortune is against one, he attempts to beat bad luck. This, if successful, is more agreeable than good luck itself. Poker, however, cannot be considered a productive industry. Neither does it promote industry. There is none the less interest in it for that however.



Phil was the champion of the *coterie* of players which met in the north section of the college. Dan had "cleaned out" every one in the southern part. The friends of each had long wished to bring them together, and it was understood that on this night was to be a great trial of strength. I played because willing to bear my losses for the sake of witnessing the contest. The cards went round and the piles of chips in front of us changed their dimensions. Dan looked sober, not like one sad, but like one in deep thought. He smoked his cigar moodily, and as he paused twirled his moustache. Phil was gay or at least apparently unconcerned; he puffed his cigarette jauntily, made light remarks, and accepted good or bad fortune with good grace. As yet there had been no decisive results. The hands were small and the play monotonous. It was the calm before a storm. The all-important hand had come. Dan, after a serious scanning of his cards, discarded one. Phil tossed aside one of his cards and took another to fill its place. I had nothing of value and did not come in. As Dan received a fifth card into his hand he appeared to start a little and then to look more excited than before. He twirled his moustache faster and tried to look unconcerned. Phil carelessly looked over his hand and made his bet. Dan saw him and did not hesitate to raise him largely. Phil nonchalantly covered it and pushed forward all the pile of chips he had beside him. Dan exhausted his supply of ready money in seeing it and raising it a good amount. Phil was out of money but borrowed all of mine. The cash all staked and neither being willing to stop, they added to the pile their watches. Books, clothing, furniture, etc., followed, neither being willing to yield. Dan was so excited that he could hardly keep his seat. Phil's manner had entirely changed and he seemed older, and hard lines not before apparent appeared in his face. Since neither would call the other they had a truce and

talked it over. At last Dan, in his frenzy, said, "I will agree to leave college if my hand won't beat yours." "And I will agree to do the same if beaten," said Phil. They laid open their hands on the table. They were both flushes. Both were on inspection royal flushes. Ace, king, queen, jack, and ten spot were in the hands of each. The hands were equal and it was a draw. The excitement over they shook hands with tears in their eyes. I was as nerved up as they. We did not go on with the game.

You may say that the probability of chances is very much against such an occurrence. To subject chance to laws is like chaining the wind, but if ever you chance to have a great apparent advantage do not push it too far for fear that Fortune may balk you.

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#### A TYPE OF COLLEGE LIFE.

In college, more than in almost any other place are admirable opportunities for the study of character. College life may be called a microcosm, a little world resembling greatly the world outside for which it tries to fit us. In this little world there are a multitude of experiences, and one way or another, one's character is pretty sure to be accurately read by his associates. In the long, tedious, disagreeable weeks of a large part of Freshman year there are chances for displaying endurance, persistency, and reconciling one's self to a certain sense of inferiority. In the more active scenes of Sophomore life, there are still greater opportunities for studying the character of one who may have been kept by timidity from displaying himself in his true light before. It is invariably the case that some who have previously kept themselves in the background come to the front as the loudest-mouthed aggressors of the unfortunate Freshmen. In the Junior and Senior years, with the greater freedom which they bring, are still more valuable occasions for showing what

one truly is. Often, many who, owing to a poor fit or a disinclination for the earlier studies of the course have been laughed at as dunces, exert themselves and far surpass more brilliant but less profound fellow-students. Also in life outside the class-room a decided character begins to be shown. Some who have sat quietly in the corner and listened to the conversation of upperclassmen desire to emulate those who have been leaders in college affairs, and set themselves up as oracles are constant in their attendance at the places where students congregate, and are always full of advice for underclassmen. Others, but it is useless to go on enumerating different varieties, for they are as numerous as the students themselves.

There is one type of character, however, which can always be easily distinguished,—always is prominent and claims a good share of attention. This is the self-important man. He never is at a loss what to do, for if *he* does it, it must be right. He comprehends that he is one of the most remarkable men in college, and that the college would have hard work to get along without him. He wants his importance to be recognized and generally thinks it is. Whenever he joins a group of students he comes up to them “with a flourish of trumpets,” as processions used to enter in old plays, and immediately makes himself the center of it. He influences or changes the conversation; always likes to have something important to communicate, and enjoys telling it deliberately in order that his hearer may duly esteem its importance, and the importance of the bearer of it. He always likes to leave at such a time that the company may miss him, and may have reason to talk about him when he is gone, for he does not doubt but that their verdict will be complimentary to such a person as himself. He never is more in his element than when a meeting of some one of the college associations has been called to act upon matters needing the decis-

ion of the college. Then he is proud to give the meeting the sanction arising from his presence, and to let his voice be heard authoritatively for or against the scheme. On none do the varying circumstances of college life have so little influence as on him. He is himself, and knows what he is about. Freshman or Senior, he always thinks himself worthy to take the lead, and is ready to do it. The force of circumstances cannot overcome him. In the society of his fellows, under the inquisition of the severest professor, he is equally at home. Addressing a crowded audience in words of original or selected eloquence, or mingling in gilded parlors with dazzling throngs of beauty and wit, calm, self-possessed he pursues the even tenor of his way, conscious that he is making a sensation, and perfectly satisfied with the world and himself.

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## COMMUNICATIONS.

*Editors of Orient :*

It would seem from the experience of preceding years that one term is not long enough in which to prepare and cause to be printed our annual publication, the *Bugle*. This year, contrary to all expectation, promises to be no exception to the rule. Only one board of editors, in a period of five years, have succeeded in producing their publication at the proper time, namely, at the close of the fall term. We believe that this is not due to the lack of work on the part of the editors or their assistants, the printers and artists, but can only be attributed to the fact that the time between the election of the editors and the beginning of the Christmas Holidays is too short for the production of a publication of such a degree of excellence as the college demands.

The only way to obviate this difficulty, then, is for the several societies to elect their

representative on the *Bugle* board at an earlier date than has been customary in the past. Why might not this election take place some time in the summer? Could the matter be arranged in this way, there would be ample time for the editors to do their work without slighting their other college duties.

MUZZLE.

*Editors of Orient:*

That all the students may know what many do already about the new "American College Song Book," I, on the part of the committee, will explain.

The publisher of the *Carmina Collegensia* proposes to edit a book of entirely new college songs. For this purpose he has selected fifty leading American colleges to be represented in the work. Each college is to have four pages in the book, or more, if that college wishes, at the rate of \$10 a page. The novelty of the enterprise is in the fact that all four poems and two of the four pieces of music must be composed by undergraduates. The college, through its committee, is to select the two remaining tunes.

The only condition we are under in contributing our songs, is that we promise to take forty copies of the book at \$1.30 apiece, payable on receipt of the same. Comparing the merits of the proposed volume with those of the *Carmina* at \$3, I think there will be a large number taken.

It is proposed to have a chapel concert early next term in which a public trial will be given for a few of the best songs handed in to the committee. By this means, and by the decision of competent judges from among the students and others, the four chosen pieces will fairly represent the college. A slight stimulus to the exertions of our poets and musicians will be a prize of \$4 for the best poem, and one of \$6 for the best music. All compositions are to be handed in by the first of next term, to give time to the quar-

tettes to practice them. Immediately after the concert the chosen songs will be forwarded to the publisher, so as to be ready for the press by the first of February.

The work is entitled to the best help we can give it, as promoting among us a deeper interest in good college music as well as the desire that our college retain her place among other colleges in the department of music. Though our isolation may, in part, injure our athletics, we should see to it that we do not let it stagnate our ambitions in other respects.

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*Editors of Orient:*

The curriculum of our college, within the last few years, has undergone revisions which certainly call for commendations for those who instituted them. The liberal views which the Board and Faculty are coming to take in respect to option allowed the student, have met with favor on every hand. And that the conservative ideas of our bygone educators are fast passing away is a matter of congratulation for those who have an interest in our institution, and desire her to stand in a favorable light when compared with others.

Believing Bowdoin to be classed among those whose course of study will have a broad and generous range, with sufficient freedom to meet the wants of the most aspiring student, we beg to suggest a particular in which an indisputably progressive step can be taken.

It is unnecessary to dwell upon the importance of a thorough knowledge of the modern languages at the present day. It is a well-known fact that they are now considered essential to the popular education. And that the student may become proficient in this branch, our leading institutions are making, or have already made, adequate provisions. In our own college we believe in this particular, our curriculum is deficient,

and more especially in regard to the instruction in the French language. According to the present apportionment one year is allowed for obtaining that knowledge of French which is deemed sufficient for practical purposes in after life. Such a view we believe to be altogether too constrained, and by looking at other institutions of learning it will be seen that far greater importance is attached to the language, and consequently more time given to the study of it.

In a hurried course of a year, by gaining some of the fundamental principles and most important idioms at the completion of the instruction the easiest text may be translated at sight, while some of the more difficult authors may be mastered after some hard thinking and un pardonable guess work. From this state of affairs we hold that one year is, without doubt, too short a time in which to become so intimately acquainted with the language as to derive those satisfactory benefits which ought to be experienced before graduation. The preliminary and elementary work which is essential to a profitable pursuit of the study must necessarily be hastily gone through with so that a vague, uncertain, and incomplete idea of the first and *sine qua non* principles must accompany the whole work. We believe that should more time be allowed for mastering the elementary work, a far more varied and extended course in translation could be carried out. As it is, on a year's course, too much time must be given to the formation and syntactic relations of the language, so that long and continued translations, through which alone one can become an easy and ready reader, are to any extent out of the question.

Another phase of this discussion to which attention must be drawn, is in regard to the speaking of the language. No little consideration of this important part of a French education is given in other colleges. In fact, in some, instruction in this particular is not

completed until a proficiency in conversational French is attained. This acquirement is considered as certainly equal to all others, if not paramount in importance. To be unable to understand even the most common by-words and phrases, must show a very low estimate of the study and is destined to be a disreputable acknowledgment for a college graduate.

As to the usefulness of a ready knowledge of the French for conversation, there is hardly room for question, for the introduction of quotations, by-words, and phrases from this language into the English is becoming more and more prevalent. As for one traveling abroad, the want of a knowledge of conventional words and idioms must be severely felt, if not reckoned almost as a misfortune. The method of obtaining such a command of the language would require daily recitations, to be conducted entirely in French, and therefore calls for greater opportunities for pursuing the study than are now offered us.

Instruction in reading and conversation, therefore, cannot be carried to any successful end with only the year which our curriculum allows, and there is therefore shown to be an unmistakable discrepancy in the apportionment of time in respect to this work. To meet this discrepancy it is necessary to devote another year to French, which does not appear at all to be an unreasonable change. It is only necessary to add another optional to those now offered in the Junior year. Two years are allowed for German, to those who desire it, and there seems to be no reason why the same freedom should not be granted in respect to French. To many the latter study is the more preferable of the two, and the continuation of the study of it during the Junior year as an optional, would obviate what now must be looked upon as a deficiency, while engaging in it under the above conditions with freedom offered in its selection would have a salutary effect in re-

moving that spirit of disinterestedness which sometimes arises from compulsion. N. G.

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

Home on Friday.

'84 gets but eighteen men into chapel.

The term opens Tuesday, January 10th.

Prof. Campbell has his study in South Appleton.

Prof. Carmichael has been appointed State Assayer.

Prof. Campbell preached at Gardiner on the 27th ult.

*Free lunch* is strictly prohibited in the Geology class.

Jewett returns from Chicago to take part in the exhibition.

Goodwin, '82, has left college for a time on account of sickness.

The Seniors have written examinations in Chemistry and Geology.

The dancing school closed Tuesday, the 6th, after a very pleasant term.

Mr. K —, in explaining a musical passage, says "That C is high. See?"

A student speaks of ancient *statutes* found buried in the deposits of the Nile.

Those who attended the Hutchinson Concert were entertained by very fine singing.

The Sophomores will use Bowser's Analytical Geometry as a text-book next term.

Dike has moved the *Herald* office to the rooms formerly occupied by Robert Robertson.

Rev. F. E. Clark, of Portland, preached at the Congregational church Sunday before last.

The drill equipments have been called in as the cadets are to have no more exercises until spring.

Cutler, '81, returns at the first of the term, to assume his duties in Prof. Chapman's department.

About twenty students attended, by invitation, the sociable at Mr. Smith's school, on Saturday evening last.

The students will have a dance after the exhibition on the evening of the 22d. Music furnished by Perkins' Orchestra.

The Sophomores are having, in connection with Greek, essays by members of the class on subjects taken from the Greek Antiquities.

In spite of the stormy weather of Wednesday last, the student's *German*, at Dirigo Hall on that evening, was a decided success.

A Professor says that the word *right*, by derivation means *set up*, therefore the students conclude that after class supper they will be all right.

The Seniors are evidently overtaxing their minds. One of them has been discoursing on *Tribolites*; another places seals among the *Amptubeans*.

The Juniors are to be examined on the first book in Physics. The examination on the remainder of their work will come at the end of next term.

Some complaint is made that the 7 A.M. bell is occasionally either late or omitted. Not being used to unseasonable hours we cannot speak from experience.

A bulletin posted the 12th, announced that on account of absence of members, meetings of the band would be discontinued for the remainder of the term.

In connection with their laboratory work, next term the Juniors are to use Thorpe's Manual of Chemistry, a work in two volumes, on the metals and on the non-metals.

At an entertainment in Lemont Hall, given by the Universalist Society, on Thursday last, a quartette of students contributed to the program by selections of familiar college music.

The Geology class recently gained an *adjourn* by means of the "five minute rule," but found that their interpretation of this regulation differed somewhat from that of the Faculty.

Last Wednesday the Sophomores had an exercise to Prof. Chapman in reading selections without previous preparation, instead of the practice in vocalization with which they have been occupied on the two preceding Wednesdays.

A pleasant gathering was held at Prof. Carmichael's on Wednesday evening, the 7th, consisting of the Hutchinson family, several members of the Faculty, and our chapel choir. Selections of music were given by the Hutchinsons and the students, so that the evening passed very informally and enjoyably to all.

Senior electives for next term are announced as English Literature, German, Mineralogy, and Chemistry. The last two are practically considered as one elective, as it is the intention that Chemistry shall be taken up during the winter, and Mineralogy during the spring term, unless some desire to continue one only of these two studies for both terms.

A boating meeting was called on the 19th, to consider a communication received from the secretary of the Lake George Rowing Association. The letter desired to know if this college would send a delegate to New York to meet those from other colleges in order to arrange for an inter-collegiate race during the coming season. The meeting voted to send W. G. Reed, '82, as a delegate, and to enter a crew if possible to make suitable arrangements.

A subscription has been started to obtain a permanent library fund, the income of which is to be applied to the purchase of such works as will keep the library up with the times. At present there is no definite fund for this purpose, the support given to the library being an annual appropriation out of the general college treasury. The effort now undertaken is to obtain a fund of \$20,000. It is understood that \$4000 of this sum has been already pledged but will not be available until the whole amount proposed is subscribed.

Five intellectual youths were they  
Whom rampant appetites led away  
From galling study and haunting care  
To quiet scenes of the "Congo" fair.

Too late for supper they stalk around  
With measured gait and looks profound.  
But duty calls them one by one,  
While each wonders much where the other has gone.

Led on by some mysterious call  
They meet 'neath the depot's sheltering wall.  
Coffee they order and beans and —  
Their drooping spirits to strengthen and cheer.

One "got left" at chapel next day,  
Another felt "just a little out of the way,"  
The others took dead;—The moral is clear:  
Look not on the coffee the beans or the —.

The program of the Senior and Junior Exhibition Thursday evening is as follows:

Salutatory in Latin.

M. S. Holway, Augusta, Me.

James A. Garfield.

Howard Carpenter, Houlton, Me.

\* Selection from the French of Victor Hugo.

W. A. Perkins, Salem, N. H.

The Land Act of 1881.

A. G. Staples, Bath, Me.

Government and Civilization.

G. F. Bates, Yarmouth, Me.

Woman and the Ballot.

W. G. Reed, Waldoboro, Me.

\* Speech of Calgacus—Translation from Tacitus.

C. H. Stetson, East Sumner, Me.

Charles the First.

E. T. McCarthy, Peabody, Mass.

† Selection from the French of Mirabeau.

A. E. Austin, Readfield, Me.

John Hampden and the Ship-money.

G. H. Pierce, Portland, Me.

† English Version of Speech of Cæsar.

G. B. Swan, Waldoboro, Me.

Federal Supremacy.

E. R. Jewett, Chiengo, Ill.

\* Juniors.

Electives in '84 for next term have been chosen as follows: Greek and Mathematics, C. C. Torrey; Latin and Mathematics, Cothren, Phinney, J. Torrey, Walker; Greek and Latin, Adams, Bradley, Brown, Cobb, Fogg, Hilton, Means, Pierce, Thompson, Waterman, Wright.

The college has recently received a gift of the Cleveland Herbarium. The herbarium contains 2000 specimens, many of which are not in the regular college collection. There are some foreign species, also many from Texas, New Mexico, and other localities of the south and west. It is arranged with great care, and is remarkable for the neatness of the mountings. The gift came from Mrs. Peleg W. Chandler as distinct from the many favors the college has received from her husband, and was almost the last act before her death. Mr. Chandler has since drawn up a written presentation so that the bequest to the college may be in strict legal form. Previous to her decease Mrs. Chandler retained the herbarium at her home in Brunswick, as a cherished memento of her father, Parker Cleveland. It was one of his last works, and though practically complete was receiving at the time of his death continued attention and labor. The collection is placed for the present in the south corner of the Cleveland Cabinet. It will be of value to the college both as of scientific importance and as a relic from the hands of the distinguished Professor whose name it bears.

## PERSONAL.

'25.—Rev. David Shepley, D.D., died at Providence, R. I., Dec. 1st, 1881. He was pastor of the Congregational Church at Yarmouth for twenty years. He afterwards preached at Vassalboro for some years. The last year of his life he lived in Providence, R. I. He was an Overseer and then Trustee of the college.

'27.—Hon. Alpheus Felch, a former Democratic Governor of Michigan, and U. S. Senator from 1847 to 1853, is 75 years old and still actively engaged in the practice of his profession at Ann Arbor, in that State. He is a native of Limerick.

'54.—John W. Simonds is principal of the Burr and Burton Seminary, in Manchester, Vt., but has his home in Franklin, N. H.

'55.—John Wingate, a lawyer in St. Louis, Mo., died in November, 1881.

'57.—Andrew Goodwin died at Chicago, in 1874.

'60.—Hon. Thomas B. Reed is spoken of as prob-

able Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations in the House of Representatives.

'60.—A. L. Allen, clerk of courts in York County, was in town a few days since.

'62.—Charles Widgery Milliken, M.D., was in the practice of medicine at Shwellsbery, Wis., for some years. He was seized with a disease of the brain and died in 1880.

'62.—Major Melville A. Cochran, major of the 12th U. S. Infantry, is stationed at Whipple Barracks, Prescott, Arizona Territory.

'64.—Henry Tucker F. Merrill, a lawyer, died recently in Washington, D. C. Date of death not ascertained.

'64.—Rev. Webster Woodbury, who was pastor of the Congregational Church at Skowhegan, and afterwards went to Gardiner to supply in the absence of Rev. Mr. Park, has accepted a call from the church at Foxboro, Mass., and has moved to that place.

'68.—J. S. Derby, of the law firm of Burbank & Derby, Saco, was in town a few days since.

'72.—Marcellus Coggan, a councilor at law, 13 Maple Street, Malden, Mass., and 27 Tremont Row, Boston, of the law firm of Child, Powers & Co., has been chosen on the School Committee of Malden for the current year.

'76.—Arlo Bates is editor of the *Boston Sunday Courier*. He has lately written a novel entitled "Patty's Perversities." Residence, 13 Chestnut St., Boston, Mass.

'77.—E. A. Scribner, formerly of Topsham, is at work, as a chemist, on the Weston Electric Light, in Newark, N. J.

'79.—Seward S. Stearns is studying law with Judge Walker, at Bridgton.

'80.—F. O. Conant was in town Dec. 15th and 16th.

'81.—H. B. Hathaway is reporter for the *Kennebec Journal*.

'82.—Mansur is out teaching.

'84.—Childs is teaching at Bowdoinham.

## CLIPPINGS.

John Brown's musket has been found in the river at Harper's Ferry. It was badly oxidized: union of oxygen and carbine.

A Sophomore astonished his table companions yesterday by the startling announcement that the quince sauce "tasted like the juice the girls put on their hair." The innocent Freshman demanded authority, but the Senior, who is above such things, frowned severely, and the Junior laughed.—*Cornell Sun*.

"Put Dingus on the fire—don't you see it's going out?"—said Snipee last Monday. "What are you giving us," said Dingus. "I should have said the blower, but it's all the same, anyhow, said Snipee, dodging a copy of the *Chronicle* and making for the door.—*Acta*.

She whispered softly, as they sat locked in a fond embrace, gazing at the stars. "I have been told that each star in the heavens is a bright, pure, noble soul! Is it so, dearest?" "Yes, I have heard so," pressing a kiss on her lips. "And do you, darling," she continued, "do you—do you think I will become a star when I die?" "Oh, pshaw! you're too fat to be a star." He protests that he said it without thinking, but she refuses to accept his apology, and the engagement is off. She is riding horseback to get down to star weight.

## EDITORS' TABLE.

To decide exactly what an exchange editor should consider in giving a judgment on the general character of a paper under criticism, is a very difficult question, and one on which there would be a great variety of opinion. The literary department is certainly the easiest to pass judgment upon, and some exchange editors seem to take this as the sole foundation for their criticisms. For many reasons this is unfair. In most of the college journals of our active colleges, there are college interests that require as careful thought as formal essays or other literary productions, and are of much more vital importance. Again the editorial work on the paper is not generally concentrated on the literary department, but, on the contrary, the contributions of ambitious but unpracticed aspirants for literary honor, almost always are intended for this department. The proper way to criticize poetry is to copy, with proper acknowledgment, the good and overlook the mediocre. There is such a thing as writing a local column that is attractive to outsiders, but this is very rarely done. Where such is the case witticisms are abundant, perhaps to the exclusion of important but more common-place college matters. Some exchange or other, we don't remember which one, has complained of the dryness of the "Personal" column of the *ORIENT*. We do not consider this a legitimate subject for criticism. We are not to blame if our worthy alumni do not commit any crimes, give rise to any scandal, or do anything else out of the ordinary course which will satisfy a morbid desire for excitement. Editorials deserve to be read carefully before passing judgment. Paper and typography have a misleading influence. When both are very fine they seem to impart a tone to the articles contained, and it seems

to us incredible that such fine clear letters on thick tinted paper can express anything that is not valuable.

We have received the first number of the *Swarthmore Phoenix*, heralded by a pleasant note asking us to exchange. We shall be glad to do it, for we like the spirit and pluck of the paper. *Phoenix* is a remarkably appropriate designation for it, as Swarthmore College was laid in ashes last September. It is at present accommodated in two large boarding houses, and the work of rebuilding has been begun.

We like so well to glance over the exchanges and pick out a trifle here and a trifle there, that we shall continue it. The *Acta* says that as the college course becomes more and more elective, and Columbia takes on more of the character of a university, the marking system, in its present form, must lose ground. By the bequest of Stephen Whitney Phoenix, of Columbia, '59, the college has received a valuable collection of books, and funds to the amount of \$600,000.

The last *Spectator* has this:

TO GUSSIE.

A snowflake on her dimpled face,  
As through the driving storm she trips,  
Alights, and finds a resting place  
Right welcome, on her ruby lips.

And meeting there the perfect bliss,  
That naught on earth can e'er alloy,  
It melts to tears, steals one sweet kiss,  
Then dies—for very joy.

And, dying on those pretty lips,  
Where even death has lost its pain,  
With failing breath their nectar sips,  
Sighing for life to kiss again.

The *Yale News* is lively as ever, but it seems to us as if it was turning itself into too much of a theatrical advertising sheet.

The *Beacon* has a "Holiday Number," with a gay cover. It is also the last issue of its present board of editors. Its last number is its best.

The last *Record* is a very fine number—complete in all its departments, except that it seems to us the exchange department is rather meager. Among its editorials is a compliment on Prof. Ladd's method of conducting lectures. Favorable notices of our old Professor are very common in the *Yale* papers. The *Record* utters a groan over the way in which Seniors have been ground this term. It also complains that Mr. Freeman's lectures on history are too little attended by the students. The opportunity to hear this eminent man is a rare one and ought to be appreciated and improved. The literary part of the *Record* is well worth reading. The brightest thing is "Conversations (from the German)."

The *Coup d'Etat* shows the advantages of competition. Its editorials are numerous and very readable.

The sketch, "The Story of a Name," is better than the average of such things. It does not rely upon slang for its interest.

The *Crimson* urges that more contributions be signed, at least with initials, real or assumed, and says that very often an article or a poem, in a college paper, derives additional interest from the reader's acquaintance with the writer, and it is not absolutely necessary that this acquaintance be a personal one. The *Crimson* complains that the gallery of Memorial Hall is frequented by far too many strangers during meal time. The installment of "Our First Families" has, at its close, the cheering news "To be concluded."

The *Student* denies that the Oxford cap is worn at Amherst. Two-thirds of the contributions the *Student* receives are in the form of poetry. We do not believe any other paper can say the same.

The following is of interest to high-stand men:

Mr. Justin Winsor, of Harvard, has been elected secretary of the committee appointed to form a national council of the Phi Beta Kappa. The committee met in New York on the 18th ult., and drafted a proposed form of constitution for a national council of the society, to consist of twenty members chosen at large, and of three delegates from each chapter; and it was voted to convene this council at Saratoga, in September, 1882. Action was taken looking to secure uniformity of condition of membership, of laws governing the different chapters, and to strengthen the fraternity as an association of scholars in their relations to the education of the country.—*Harvard Echo*

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That well hys brawny shoulders shade.

He rydeth forth on many a rayde,  
He masheth many a blooming mayd,  
As he uplyfeth, bowing low,

His mortar-board.

It rouseth much ye deacon stayde,  
It maketh ye urchine sore afraid,  
Whicnere it passeth, grand and slow.  
It causeth ye Freshmanne secret woe,  
And he voweth that he too will parade  
Hys mortar-board.—*Carl*.

The *Hamilton Lit.* is in mourning for Prof. Mears. The essay on "The Rhetoric of the Bible" is too ponderous, and nine pages of "Alumniana" is far too much of a good thing.



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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The long term upon which we are entering, it is unnecessary to state, closes the connection of the present editors with the ORIENT. We shall take occasion at a later date to offer our opinions as to the advisability of continuing the present method of electing editors. Why the ORIENT should pursue a custom obsolete elsewhere, satisfactorily proven unfair to the college, the editors, and the stand of the publication itself, is not evident. The remark is stale that the ORIENT is the students' publication. We believe that we present the spectacle of a few patient workers, semi-mar-

tyrs, every two weeks; and, since a desire to aid in the accomplishment of editorial work with less difficulty to editors and less interference with college work is certainly commendable, we shall, with this end in view, hope to make worthy suggestions.

The representation of Bowdoin in the *Carmina Collegiensa* bids fair to be excellent. That musical ability soars here, is evident. We were far more doubtful of the poetical ability, but we are assured that the efforts so far are very acceptable. A new *Carmina Collegiensa* will be received with thanks by every student in the country, and the work done is certainly done in a good cause. Some half-dozen of the words and music of the songs will be produced at the chapel concert, which will soon be given, and from those, selections be made. The opportunity for contributions is offered now, and abundant time given for fame and cash to be acquired.

If class officers are surprised at the agility with which excuses on account of sickness are coming in, the cause need be sought no further than the weather. It is impossible to keep recitation rooms at an even temperature, and often one sits through recitation with his overcoat on, and goes immediately out into a freezing atmosphere. Charity for mortal flesh will command our instructors to hearken attentively to all such excuses.

The death of Capt. Bates, who for years has served in the honorable connection of assistant treasurer of the college, is in no inconsiderable degree a matter of regret to the students. From the nature of his posi-

tion it is to be inferred that few of us would have been intimately acquainted with him, but all had become so accustomed to seeing him in his customary place that the appearance of a new face makes his absence ever recurring. He has been a faithful officer through a long term of years, and we are assured was always devoted to the interests and welfare of the college, and the college can ill afford to lose any such.

The posting of such notices as the one that appeared on Tuesday of last week, deserves the utmost that can be said against it. The tone of the writing was certainly reprehensible in the highest degree. To be charitable we are compelled to call it a joke, but a very ill-conceived joke, at best, and made in a direction in which it is certainly unnecessary. To the one concerned, we would only say that he should endeavor to restrain his jovial tendencies, or at least be less deadly in his playfulness. Such manifestations surely do not meet the approval of the students, and while we are prone to commiserate the author on account of the evident youthfulness of his college life, we are compelled to think that something must be radically wrong in his moral or intellectual being. A novelty of that kind must be deserving to be perpetuated, and we hardly think this will become a custom.

An act of vandalism, which, by the rarest chance, escaped doing serious damage, has been perpetrated by some person, "*zum schaden froh gewandt*." Quite a large piece of coal has been thrown through the rose window in the rear of the chapel, which opens into the picture gallery. Besides the mere breaking, no damage was done, but if the missile had gone through any of the figures in the stained glass, of course the injury would have been almost irreparable. The height of the window was such that it was not thought

necessary to protect it by a screen, but now the glass and the far more valuable paintings inside will be made wholly secure from the dastardly attempts of mischief-makers. We cannot believe that any student threw *this* piece of coal.

The Civil Service Reform Association is obtaining signatures throughout the country to a petition to Congress praying for legislation which shall make open competitive examinations the means of entrance to all clerical positions in the U. S. service. Especial efforts are being made among the college men of the country, and we have been asked to undertake the work in this college. There ought to be little need among college men of urging the necessity of such agitation. An opportunity will be given to all to sign. Copies of the petition will be left in the treasurer's office and circulated in the different ends of the college dormitories. We presume that with no difficulty signatures enough can be obtained to do credit to the spirit of Bowdoin in this matter.

The annual return of the medic is foreshadowed by the animated preparations for his reception. His coming is certainly one of the most evident reminders of the flight of the years, and very many of us who watch his return for the last time, will certainly view him more critically and with a kindlier spirit. In view of the proposition, which we have heard earnestly advocated, to move the Medical School from Brunswick to Portland, we have first to say that such a move would be, at least, sincerely regretted by the student body. Friends and former companions are found among them abundantly, and, indeed, every one would miss them and their football and feel sad not to hear the dulcet tones of the school-bell, as Mr. Booker calls them in. We presume that it is on grounds rather of convenience to themselves than of benefit



to the students, that the Medical Faculty have contemplated such a move, if indeed they have, for certainly it would seem that the Maine Medical School draws no small share of its healthy existence from the college under whose wing it exists. Why it can not pursue the course in the future that it has made honorable in the past, here as well as elsewhere, we are not informed, but presume that better opportunities for practice are desired, which the hospital at Portland affords. We are quite certain that the department would lose a certain amount of dignity in the change, inasmuch as it is connected with the college, as are the medical departments of the chief colleges of the country. However, perhaps we are arguing against a possibility barely probable and scarcely thought of, and, at any rate, we should be sorry to lose our busy crowd of doctors, and hope that the proposition will not be sustained.

The endeavors of the editors of the *Bugle* were fairly represented in their prologue, and we are free to say that the result must certainly be pleasing to themselves. Their endeavor was to present a "sharp, fresh, and interesting *Bugle*." It certainly is fresh,—one of the freshest we ever saw—and sharp certainly, and interesting, we hope, to all. It is possible, however, to mistake and misconceive what will be interesting to others, and if the *Bugle* editors meet with adverse criticism, it will be solely from the fact that such misconception is apparent in the *Bugle*. Typographically, the *Bugle* deserves every commendation; and in arrangement and general structure is a decided innovation. Every one is pleased to see a *Bugle* which is new from the first cover to the last. The chief objection to the *Bugle*, and one too apparent to be passed by, is the general standard of taste that the *Bugle* adopted. To speak plainly the standard is not an æsthetic one.

It is slightly inclined to vulgarity, as if the "silver lining of fun and good fellowship" was found in the vulgar side of college life. It is not this side of college life that we care to display at home, and we are afraid that many will object to sending the animated picture of the ballet girl home to their mothers and sisters. This is our only criticism. A misconception it certainly is of what is interesting to us all, except the editors of course, and as such an innovation decidedly to be regretted. The writing in the *Bugle* shows marked taste and ability, and we regret that there is not more of it. The prologue is most graceful, and the class histories eminently satisfactory, and the poem lacking among its poetical attributes only the necessary quality of truthfulness. We hope the editors will see in this mild criticism only its mildness, and find the approbation which cannot be withheld.

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### UNREST.

In pensive mood upon the shore,  
Where breaks old Ocean's solemn roar,  
Alone I stand.  
The waves, still high from recent storm,  
With cloud-crowned cliff conspire to form  
A picture grand.

Wave after wave, in ceaseless flow,  
The foam-capped billows come and go,  
Nor rest can find.  
Their hollow murmurs, as they break,  
Within my soul a sadness wake  
But half defined.

Clear mirrored in their seething crest,  
I see portrayed my heart's unrest  
With vivid power.  
For, like those waves, tossed to and fro,  
My heart no soothing rest may know,  
Nor peaceful hour.

Oh waves, in madd'ning fury tossed;  
Oh heart, bewailing hopes long lost,  
By fears oppressed;  
He, whom the tempests wild obey,  
Who rules the hearts of men, can say,  
"Peace, be at rest."

## RANK IN COLLEGE.

That men of high rank seldom win distinction in professional life, is a very prevalent opinion. That "salutatorians are seldom heard from," is an argument often used to calm the disquietude of a son. To many persons to be a scholar of high rank in college means four years of midnight toil, and that, too, at the expense of success in life. But, however widely this opinion may prevail, an examination of the records of scholarship and an inquiry after those who have won distinction will show its groundlessness.

The large majority of those who have attained eminence in after life were, in college, students of the highest rank. It is seldom that a student of low rank attains special eminence. Of the graduates at Harvard, in the first half of this century, who have distinguished themselves, at least four-fifths ranked in the first quarter of the class to which they belonged. Nine-tenths of all the distinguished graduates at Yale, between 1819 and 1850, were among the first scholars of the class to which they belonged. At Amherst, between 1822 and 1850, the twenty-five most eminent men were, with one or two exceptions, excellent scholars. The statistics of scholarship at Bowdoin, from the graduation of its first class in 1806 to 1850, reveal the same conclusion. Its best scholars have become, as a rule, its most noted men.

Their first honors won were in college. Their success in college seemed to be a forerunner of their success in life. Courses of study started there ended only with their lives. It is difficult to find an eminent professor in any college who was not an excellent scholar. Not only those who have gained distinction as teachers and scholars, but also those who have gained distinction as writers, clergymen, statesmen, and lawyers, were students of high standing. Beecher is probably the most familiar exception. Although considered as the most distinguished graduate of Amherst,

he had an average of but fifty-eight. Indeed, the scholarship of clergymen has not generally been as high as that of teachers and writers.

The cause of the fact that a student high in rank usually wins distinction may be traced to the physical, moral, and mental characteristics of that student. He must have good health, for that is at the foundation of every successful effort. His morals must be good, for the power to endure continued hard work is weakened if not destroyed by evil indulgence. A good mind, and the power of studying eight or ten hours a day are the chief mental characteristics of the highest scholar. It is continued hard work that wins fame for the writer, statesman, lawyer, or doctor. A man of genius is usually distinguished in only one study.

The superior benefits accruing to the high scholar are two in particular, viz.: Acquired knowledge and mental discipline. These heights are a fortune in themselves, and must be gained before that true far-reaching fame is realized. The conclusion is, therefore, that the same influences that prevailed in the struggle for honors in college, prevailed also in winning the first honors in professional life.

The reason of the common error that "high scholars seldom achieve success in professional life," is chiefly due to certain salutatorians whose principal aim in college was rank, and who have not, therefore, acquired that true culture which is the element of success.

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## TWO VOYAGES.

The religious disturbances in England and in Continental Europe, of several centuries ago, form an interesting picture to us even at this late day. That fanatical intolerance which could not brook the holding of opinions contrary to those of general acceptance, led to numerous unreasonable dissensions, many of which had results widely diverse from the

expectations of those cherishing them. It is an interesting study to trace in their countless windings the many phases of these quarrels, and to watch for their outcome. One is to us, however, of absorbing interest as exemplifying an unchanging faith in the justice of a cause, and embodying in a striking degree that spirit of liberty which exists to-day as a characteristic wherever its work has left its impress. It is of interest, too, from the wonderful though unlooked for result of these quarrels.

The great underlying principle was a desire for freedom. Such, certainly, was the motive which formed the moving spring of the actions of those whose fortunes were committed to the pity of a wintry ocean voyage, and which are so intimately connected with the voyage of the *May-flower*. The wintry weather and ocean storms found an answering element within; ties of home and country held but a secondary position in the midst of the religious fervor which was agitating their minds, and everything was subordinated to the one grand absorbing idea which lends to their acts the element of heroism.

The vessel reached its destination, meeting with the stormy waves and the inhospitable shores of our New England coast—turbulent and uncompromising, a fit counterpart to the stern severity of the minds which guided the enterprise. These formed the nucleus of the great republic which was upbuilt, affording ultimately a haven for the oppressed. The difficulty of ridding themselves of the prejudices which association had engendered, was not small, but with advancing prosperity political and religious toleration went hand in hand, and unjust laws and discriminating statutes were eradicated. The end was not uncertain, and their liberality fructified in the New England of to-day, a happy consummation of a quarrel so unwillingly begun, so bitterly contested, and so hopefully prolonged.

Such was the grand result of one ship's voyage; let us look at another.

The view is not so bright. The name of the first American slave-ship is retained in history with no great degree of veneration, nor do men boast of descent from its inmates. Yet, unquestionably, royal blood flowed in their veins. Their departure from home scarcely possessed the element of stoicism. Their sunny, native lands and genial climes had left a deep impress upon the simple hearts that beat without an answering throb of hope, and whose future offered no brighter pictures than those presented by utter gloom and despair. From these, too, arose a system, an empire if you will, as lowly as the other was exalted, and founded upon sentiments as debasing as those of the other were ennobling.

A different phase of human nature is illustrated; yet this ship's voyage and its unhappy inmates form a no less interesting study, and the results which sprung from them are no less weighty, and concerned the welfare and happiness of as great a multitude of human beings. It is a surprising fact that two such systems, wholly contradictory in their nature, could exist side by side, and at times intertwined, the latter subsisting upon and dependent for its very existence upon the former—a republic ostensibly established upon principles whose perpetuity was in direct contradiction to the existence of the other.

In the logic of events it was but a question of time when the inevitable collision should arise. The war which resulted in the destruction of slavery, while not undertaken with that end in view, was yet the result of the progress of, and outgrowth from, those sentiments which are typified in the voyage of the *May-flower*. The destruction of slavery was plainly a recognition of the firmness of these principles, and a justification of their merits as a foundation for individual and national prosperity.

### ZETA PSI CONVENTION.

The 35th annual convention of the Zeta Psi Fraternity was held at the Vanderbilt House, Syracuse, N. Y., Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 4th and 5th, under the auspices of the Psi and Gamma Chapters. All except two chapters were represented by delegates. Business sessions were held during the forenoon and afternoon of both days.

The newly elected Grand Officers are: Augustus VanWyck, class of '64, of the University of North Carolina; Edwin N. Benson, class of '59, of the University of Pennsylvania; L. A. Chapin, class of '79, of the University of California; D. Cady Gere, class of '79, of the University of Syracuse; Charles B. Everson, class of '78, of Cornell University.

Wednesday evening a reception was given to the visitors in the Gamma Chapter rooms. On Thursday evening, at 10.30, the members of the convention assembled in the dining hall of the Vanderbilt House to attend the annual banquet. The tables were handsomely decorated with flowers and fairly groaned under a profusion of edibles. The usual toasts were responded to and the festivities continued until a late hour.

The convention was in every way a success and will always be remembered by fraternity men as a memorable event in the epoch of Zeta Psi. The convention will meet in Boston next year with the Lambda and Kappa chapters.

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### COMMUNICATION.

[The following, addressed to the *Bowdoin Orient*, Bowdoin, Me., was recently received by us. The writer is evidently from the rural districts and thinks the *ORIENT* to be the local paper of a country town. The communication is of so serious a nature that we print it, hoping that through our means relief may come to the unfortunate individual.—EDS.]

### *Editors of Orient :*

I am an afflicted sufferer in an unsympathizing world. My trouble is of such a nature that while it does not receive the compassion it deserves, it has constantly annoyed me, made me lose the most precious opportunities, and promises to continue to blight the weary remnant of a wasted life. From some reason or other I have been since early life a subject to periodic eruptions of boils. I seldom am afflicted with more than one at a time, but that one always compels recognition by taking a prominent position, and I am impelled to court retirement until it has subsided. They say that troubles never come singly, but mine always have. I think that life would be better worth living for me if they would contrive to have a unity in their actions, and if there were any well defined periods of eruption, whose appearance I could forecast by calculations, or by any manifest signs. Many times in my life has my happiness been turned into shame and my most prosperous plans thwarted by these cruel stings of fortune. One of the saddest memories of my early boyhood is the way I was made fun of by the others, on account of appearing at school with my face badly disfigured by a cause over which I had no control. As I grew up, I was always sure to be afflicted whenever anything which I wanted to attend was to take place. I studied six long weeks on a piece to speak at the close of our school, and was then unable to speak it. The reason need not be told.

If I was going to a party and had a particular desire to appear well, I was sure to have to stay away. Lately I had not been afflicted much and began to hope that I had outgrown the period of my affliction. I was engaged to be married. The time had been decided upon; everything was ready. The invitations were out; the services of the minister were engaged. On the evening before the wedding, as my intended was bidding me good-bye, she said, "Job, dear, does not your

face look a trifle red on one side?" I flew to the mirror. The fatal sign was there. I rushed from the house in a rage. The night was devoted to attending to the budding boil, but it seemed to thrive under my care, and in the morning was blossomed out beautifully. I came to the conclusion that the wedding was out of the question and determined to put an end to my miserable existence. I took a dose of rat poison, and sank into a painless oblivion. When they found me my worst enemy wouldn't have recognized me, my countenance was so blooming with the unhealthy excrescence. They brought me to, however. I have not yet got over regretting it. True happiness can never be mine until this Job's affliction is taken from me.

Can you not recommend to me some cure that will remove from me this curse and thus enable me to become a useful and contented, even though humble member of society? By thus lifting up a human soul from the darkness of despair, you will gain the heartfelt blessing of

Your afflicted subscriber,

JOB GREEN.

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## COLLEGE ITEMS.

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1882.

Oh! that Sophomore supper.

Sweetser, '84, has left college.

Bowdoinham has great attractions.

Our band seems to have frozen up.

The snow-plow man has been full of business.

Prof. Chapman preached in Auburn last Sunday.

A copy of Guiteau's book, "Truth," is in the library.

Cutler hears recitations of the Sophomore class in Rhetoric.

The library will be open hereafter only during the afternoon.

What shall we do for exercise and training is still an open question.

Seniors are informed that large stories can be told of fossils and fish.

Recitations began promptly on Tuesday at the opening of the term.

E. P. Jordan, from Bates, has entered the Junior class of this college.

Freshmen will petition the Faculty for tall hats to keep their ears warm.

Prof. Campbell preached at the Congregational church, January 15th.

Dike has set up a press in the *Herald* office and will do his own printing.

The students were well represented at Theodore Tilton's lecture last week.

The *Bugle* is for sale at 13, W. H., 9, M. H., 16, M. H., 3, A. H., and 18, A. H.

Belcher, '82, has left his class on account of sickness, but will probably enter '83.

The Juniors recently gained an *adjourn* at the expense of their lectures on physics.

The medics have better accommodations nowadays than the classical department.

A lecture was delivered in Boothbay, January 16th, by Prof. Carmichael, on "Flame."

It is reported that another musical organization has been consummated—a flute club. Alas!

The catalogue of the alumni is out. This publication takes the place of the former triennial.

Some of the students are starting a course of assembly dances at Dirigo Hall, to begin this week.

The expected singing books have been placed in the church galleries and are evidently appreciated.

Several daily papers report President Chamberlain as engaged in business enterprises in Florida.

The position of the late Capt. Bates in the treasurer's office is occupied by H. Carvel of Brunswick.

The skating rink has been re-opened, but is not patronized as well as last year, at least not by the students.

A small steam engine, about 4½ horse power, has been placed in the basement of the laboratory. It will be used for pumping and other work which was formerly quite a tax on those who have charge of the building.

F. H. Files, '83, was the Zeta Psi delegate to the Fraternity Convention at Syracuse, N. Y., January 4th and 5th.

Prof. Chapman has given eight lectures on Logic to the Senior class and will have an examination on the course.

One of our youthful chemists says that the traditional church sociable compound is made mostly of *H stew O*.

Prof. Chapman has removed his study to North Windthrop, and Cutler occupies his former room in North M. H.

The musical association will hereafter hold its meetings at Dirigo Hall, which has been purchased by Prof. Carmichael.

Sunday morning found the chapel door labeled with several notices, apparently belonging to a neighboring grocery store.

Prof. Lee will continue the course in Geology with the Seniors for a few weeks, occupying the first hour in place of political science.

Examination of the Seniors was held last Saturday on their work in Psychology, for the past term and for the two weeks extending into this.

Thursday is the day of prayer for colleges, and there consequently will be no recitations. Services will be held in the Congregational lecture room.

The class officers for the present term are as follows: Senior, Prof. Lee; Junior, Prof. Robinson; Sophomore, Prof. Avery; Freshman, Prof. Wheeler.

A brass tube has been obtained for the new telescope. With the eye-piece of the old one temporarily added, the instrument gave very satisfactory results.

There will be no '68 Prize Exhibition this year, as that class has voted to suspend the prize until the sum of \$1000, necessary for its permanent support, shall be obtained.

The edifice which appeared so suddenly in front of the church, Sunday before last, was variously regarded as a stand for the Freshman Orchestra, or an observatory for the telescope.

Prof. Lee gave a lecture on the work of the Fish Commission before the Society of Natural History in Portland, January 16th. Prof. Carmichael was elected corresponding member of the Society.

The chapel concert, for the choice of tunes and songs for the new college song book, will be held on

Tuesday next. The committee state that quite a number of excellent compositions have been handed in.

The small book on modern geometry used by members of '84, has been given out by Prof. Smith to some of the Freshmen. Those having the book will recite every week in place of the weekly review, and at examination will be allowed two optionals from this work.

An address was given on Sunday evening in the praying circle room by Prof. Campbell, which was well attended by the students. The opportunities for hearing our professors under such circumstances seem to be well appreciated, and would be enjoyed by all if they occurred more frequently.

At last, the new college catalogue is out. It reports 146 classical and 112 medical students. Among other donations of scientific interest, there are acknowledged specimens, given by several undergraduates. The course of study, as here given, is considerably different from that of last year.

One of the best American artists, Wyatt Eaton, of New York, who has furnished numerous illustrations in *Scribner's Magazine*, recently visited the art gallery of this college, and was much pleased with the paintings, expressing the opinion that some compared very favorably with those in the metropolitan collection.

The members of '82 in college are divided among their electives as follows: English Literature—Blondel, Curtis, W. W., Chase, Crosby, Goodwin, Jordan, McCarthy, Pierce, Stearns, Stinchfield, Weeks. Chemistry—Bates, Curtis, E. U., Gilman, Goddard, Jewett, Libby, Mason, Merryman, Moody, Plimpton, Reed. German—Eames, Holway, Staples.

A meeting of the graduates of Bowdoin college residing in Washington, D. C., was held January 5th, 1882, at which the following officers were elected: President, Commodore Horace Bridge, class '25; 1st Vice President, Israel Kimball, Esq., class '39; 2d Vice President, Judge W. B. Snell, class '45; Recording Secretary, J. C. Strout, Esq., class '57; Corresponding Secretary, Prof. J. W. Chickering, Jr., class '52; Treasurer, Major J. N. Whitney, class '64; Executive Committee, Gen. F. D. Sewell, class '46, Col. D. S. Alexander, class '70, S. Y. Kimball, Esq., class '55, Charles Chesley, class '52.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

At a regular meeting of the Kappa Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, held January 20th, 1882, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the universe to remove from this life our brother,

REV. JOHN COTTON SMITH, D.D.,

a member of the class of 1847, and

Whereas, The intimate relations held by him with the society while in college, render it proper that we should express our appreciation of his merits as a brother and a man; therefore,

Resolved, That in his death we experience the loss of one who was always zealous and active as a member, ever loyal to the interests of the fraternity, and devoted to its welfare and prosperity; one whose pure life and exalted station could but inspire the noblest aspirations as well as adorn the fraternity with which he was associated.

Resolved, That while we bow in humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the less mourn for him, who has been called from earthly labor to his final rest.

Resolved, That we extend to the family and friends of the deceased our heartfelt sympathy in this their deep affliction.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, to the several chapters of the fraternity, and to the press.

W. O. PLIMPTON, } H. L. ALLEN, } W. J. COLLINS, }	In behalf of the Kappa Chapter.
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Bowdoin College, Jan. 20, 1882.

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## PERSONAL.

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'30.—Jotham Tilden Moulton, a native of Bucksport, son of Dr. Jotham Moulton, practiced law some years in Cheryfield, and then removed to Chicago, where he died December, 1881.

'47.—Rev. John Cotton Smith, D.D., died in New York, Jan. 9th, 1882. He was born Aug. 4th, 1826, at Fall River, Mass., and was descended from the Cotton family, famous in New England annals. He was also nephew of ex-President Woods, fourth president of the college. His father was Thomas M. Smith, D.D., president of Kenyon College, and professor of Theology in the Theological Seminary of Ohio. He studied for the ministry in the Theological Seminary at Gambier, Ohio, and was ordained deacon by Bishop McIlvaine, of Ohio, in 1849, and priest by Bishop Burgess in 1850. He was first rector of the

St. John's Church, Bangor, after which he was assistant minister in Trinity Church, Boston. Since 1860 he has been rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York.

'60.—Hon. Thomas B. Reed's photograph appears in the last number of *Frank Leslie's*. He is chairman of the House Committee of Judiciary. He has served in the following offices since graduating from college: Assistant Paymaster in the Navy, one term in the State House of Representatives, also one term in the State Senate, was for three years Attorney General of the State, after which he was elected to Congress. He ranks among the half dozen really conspicuous members of the present House.

'61.—Edward Stanwood, Esq., is senior editor of the *Boston Advertiser*.

'68.—Thomas J. Emery is among the members of the Common Council of the City of Boston.

'71.—Augustine Simmons, Esq., is practicing law at North Anson. At the last Commencement he received a diploma conferring on him the degree of A.B., thus making him a graduate of the college. He left college in the third year of the course, but subsequently passed the examinations in the remaining studies of the course.

'71.—Prof. Edward S. Morse, of the Lowell Institute, has invented a device by which he can utilize the rays of the sun to assist in warming dwelling houses and places of assembly.

'71.—Charles L. Shephard is Chief Clerk in the Quartermaster's Department, U. S. A., at Helena, Montana Territory. He has a fine situation.

'72.—Alden J. Blethen, formerly of Portland, is manager of the *Kansas City Journal*. The last issue of *Frank Leslie's*, in giving a sketch of the *Journal*, says: "Alden J. Blethen, the manager of the *Journal*, came from Portland, Me., and is a business man of the best New England make, under whose able management the *Journal* has made grand progress during the past year.

'74.—A. G. Bradstreet, Esq., late representative to the Legislature from Bridgton, has been appointed acting general manager and chief engineer of the Tehuantepec Inter-Ocean R. R. Co. This company is composed of heavy capitalists of New York, and is a large and important organization. Their railroad is in Mexico, across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, near the route of Ead's proposed ship railway.

'80.—R. C. Gilbert has lately been seriously ill at Kennebunk where he is teaching, but at last accounts he was slightly better.

'80.—F. O. Conant has been taken into the firm formerly known as Conant & Rand, but now as Conant, Patrick & Co.

'81.—J. W. Manson is studying law in the office of Strout & Gage of Portland.

'81.—C. L. Baxter has been taken into the firm of the Portland Packing Co.

'81.—C. E. Harding is teaching in Fort Fairfield.

'81.—Henry Goddard is with the firm of Doe & Hunnewell, Drapers, Boston.

'81.—E. H. Chamberlin is teaching in Webster, Mass.

'82.—A. W. Mansur is teaching at Houlton.

'82.—Fred Lally, a former member of the class, who left college during Sophomore year, and has since been in business in Chicago, has lately been visiting at his home in Augusta. He spent a few days here with his classmates, on his return West.

'84.—A. F. Sweetser has left college.

'85.—L. W. Cutter has left college and gone to the Orono State College. He enters the class of '84 with the intention of taking the Engineering Course.

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## CLIPPINGS.

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"Ye pigge is a handsome fowl,  
And wond'rous good to eat;  
Hys cheek is good, likewise hys jowl,  
And eke hys little feet.

But if you try a thousand year,  
I trow you still will fayle  
To make a silk purse of hys ear,  
Or a wissel of hys tayle."

School-mistress (to dull little boy)—"Johnny, I'm ashamed of you. When I was your age I could read twice as well as you." Johnny—"Yes'm, but you had a different teacher from what I got."—*Ex.*

A Western paper says: "Col. Richards was shot three times, once in the arm, once in the side, and once in the drinking-saloon adjacent." This is nearly as bad as the cavalry officer who was shot in the horse.—*Tablet.*

"Yes, gentlemen," says an exceedingly nervous young tutor, who has caught a Freshman in the act of "cribbing." "You may not think so now, but you will find that honesty answers best in the wrong lung." (Class begin to cough.)—*Tablet.*

The Harvard Annex in 1900. Miss Martingale—"Say, Julia, old girl, you ought to go down to New Haven and back up the foot-ball team—you ought now, really." Miss Basbleu—"Why, I think it is perfectly brutal! Last fall those horrid Yale girls

threw Tootie Peters right down flat on the ground, and pinched Daisy Tompkin's arm so that it's been black and blue ever since."—*Lampoon.*

Scene, Psychology recitation: "Now, Mr. S., how is the existence of the desk here made a reality in your mind?" Mr. S.—"By the *something* which is behind it." Loud applause.

Snodkins—"Have you read 'The Pale, Pale Moon, Miss Amy?'" Miss Amy Southslope—"Yes, I began it; but it wasn't lovey enough. I like real blind love, don't you know?"—*Lampoon.*

An old gentleman stepped on Nook's foot in the horse-car the other day. "Beg pardon," said he apologetically. "Oh, never mind," replied Nook; "my feet were made to walk on!" And he gave one of those sweet smiles for which he is so famous.—*Ex.*

This is an examination. See how Sad these Boys look! Look at That Boy in the Corner. He will Pass. He has studied hard. He has all his Knowledge at His Finger-ends. See, He puts his knowledge in His Pocket Because the Tutor is looking. Come Away Children!—*Record.*

Is that a man? No! that is not a man, that is an aesthete. What has he in his hand? He has a lily in his hand. Will the lily die? Yes, the lily will. Poor lily! Why does he look so wild at the horse-car? Of course he looks wild at the horse-car, for he is Oscar Wilde.—*News Primer.*

"Where did you dine yesterday, Fwed?" "O, at the kwub." "Good dinnah?" "Yasse, O yasse, I dined on such a lovely pwimwose, with a gewanium for dessert. With those I dwunk in the delicious fwagwance of a sweet and tendah violet." "How pwecious!" "Yasse, it was ewal so uttally soul-satisfying and supweme."—*Ex.*

Matter-of-fact Freshman to go-as-you-please Freshman on the morning of the Physics examinations—"Say, Ned, got this down pretty fine?" Go-as-you-please Freshman—"Well, about as fine as I could get it, and still have it legible," as he shook out a little piece of cardboard from his coat-sleeve.—*Ex.*

Two Irishmen were talking about the moon and sun. "Sure," says Pat, "the sun gives a stronger light." "But the moon is more sensible," replied Mike. "How will you prove that?" cries Pat. "Oh, aisy enough," says Mike. "Prove it," cries Pat. "Faith," replies Mike, "the moon shines at night, when we made it. But the sun shines in broad daylight, whin a mon wid one eye could see widout it."



Mental Science: Student—"And is there no smell or taste without some one to perceive them?" Prof.—"No." Student—"Then there was no sweetness wasted on the desert air."—*Ex.*

An aged negro was one day showing the scars of the wounds inflicted by the lash when he was a slave. "What a picture!" exclaimed a sympathizing looker-on. "Yes," responded the colored brother, "dats de work ob one ob de old masters."—*Ex.*

Proof positive. Wife (who has been "sitting up")—"Well, this is a pretty time to come home! Four o'clock!" Husband (who has taken nothing but one glass of a curious compound spoken of, by himself, as "Whiskanwarra")—"Wha' you mean, madam, by 'forklock?'" "Unfortunately for you, madam, it sho 'appens, courioulenuff, I parsh'd Trinity, madam, and heard it strike one (hic) several times, madam!"—*Ex.*

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## EDITORS' TABLE.

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The first paper which we particularly noticed on tearing the wrappers from our vacation mail was the *Harvard Herald*, a new daily. Its general appearance is much like the *Yale News*; indeed, we can fancy that the editors started with some such idea as this: "The *Echo* has been found fault with very much; even the *Crimson*, which has such a general good opinion of everything pertaining to Harvard, has joined in setting on it. On the contrary the *Yale News* has received universal praise, and has been held up before the *Echo* editors as a personification of college daily journalism. Now suppose we start a paper which shall very nearly resemble the *News*,—a paper with a fancy heading, printed with clear type, on fine paper. Shall we not easily run the *Echo* into the ground?" The *Herald* has not, as yet, however, shown the ability and the solid worth which, and not the fine typography, has brought merited success to the *News*. The department which is most fully represented and most ably filled is that which gives the dramatic news. We think, however, that there is no doubt that Harvard needed something new in the daily line, and the question is now whether our book can survive.

The last *Record* speaks of the financial and musical success of the Yale Glee Club in its recent western trip. It also says that Mr. Buel, '83, who wrote the burlesque of "Medea," has been writing an opera called "The Bells of Penikese," which will be

presented for the benefit of the Yale navy the latter part of April. The *Record* editorially condemns cigarette smoking. There are prospects of disagreement on the time of holding this year's Harvard-Yale boat race. It is claimed that Yale would do better not to hold athletic games with Harvard, as she has enough to do now. We see that Prof. Ladd has been delivering lectures at Andover Theological Seminary during the vacation.

Conversation at the rink. She—"What a horrible noise this band makes." He—"I beg your pardon?" She—"Excuse me?" He—"Pardon me. Did you speak?" She—"I didn't catch your last remark?" Both relapse into silence.—*Record.*

The fortunate *Princetonian* has twelve pages of advertisements, not counting the two-column criticism on the *Nassau Lit.* The *Princetonian* says of the Freshman class: "It will never be said of the present Freshman class that it has not lived up to old traditions. Not content with conscientiously observing all such, it has set about inaugurating some of its own, thereby making for itself a name which we sincerely hope succeeding classes will not emulate." Their latest trick has been that of impeding travel by greasing the rails of the Pennsylvania Railway Company, and there are indications that they will have to pay dearly for it.

A contributor of the *Spectator* has visited "Wild Oscar, the æsthete," at the Hotel Brunswick, desiring to learn from his "early English" lips his opinion of American colleges and their possibilities æsthetically considered. The reporter asked what the possibilities of æsthetic growth in American colleges were. "Small," he replied; "it cannot grow in Harvard. Æstheticism and co-education cannot be co-existent. They could never understand it at Yale. At Princeton it would probably be forbidden by Dr. McCosh, as being too worldly. You do not need it at Columbia. It seems to me that Trinity is the only place where it would prosper. They are fond of lawn tennis suits there, their hair is long, and their legs generally thin. Those are two indispensable attributes of æstheticism. Then out here in the country they can grow sunflowers. What more do you want?" "Nothing," we said; "exactly so." "Did I understand you to say that you wanted anything more?" he asked. "No, nothing more." "Oh, you don't," said the poet, displaying considerably more energy than before. "Oh, you don't. Well, then, as I want to take a nap, may I trouble you to close the door from the outside?"

The *Campus* of the University of Wisconsin has changed its name to the *Badger*. We presume the last named appellation was selected because it has

the same number of letters as the word *Campus*, and because the possibility of any other papers ever sporting that euphonious title is very doubtful. The *Badger* is a weekly, and makes no pretensions to a literary department.

The *Student* calls attention to the remarkable fact that all the officers of instruction at Amherst are graduates of that college, and protests against it, as some men pre-eminently fitted for positions may be rejected simply for the unfortunate accident of their not being graduates of Amherst. It, however, may only be a custom and not be allowed to become a law. An editorial in the *Student* speaks of a salutary influence of the new system in its bearing upon the teachers and methods of instruction. It is found that an instructor, disliking to have his department slighted, and not being able to compel attention by wielding the power of the marking system, aims to make his department popular by adapting it to the wants of the student. A special reporter of the *Student* has been getting the opinion of typical members of the college on the New System. The following is one of the calls:

"Mr. Digg, the famous rank man, was next visited. He was engaged in memorizing the Greek lexicon, and suggested that the reporter make haste, as he was anxious to get to work again. Question by reporter—'What is your view of the New System?' Answer—'The same as of the Old one. I do my duty. It is wrong to cut, and besides it grieves the Faculty. I propose to attend until the close of the term.'"

The event narrated in the following rhymes happened at Brown just before the Christmas recess:

"A Freshman legation  
Went for a collation  
To be held above Tillingbast's store;  
But when they got there  
The tables were bare,  
The Sophs—they had been there before.  
Those horrid Pi-Psi-ers  
Had left the Mu Pi-ers  
For their banquet but plain bread and butter;  
The eat ices and all  
'Twas what you might call  
A trick just too 'nitterly utter.'"

The following are from the "Queen's Jester," a department of the *American Queen*, an exchange of ours which we would earnestly recommend to all society dogs:

"My nose is red, but not with years,  
Nor grew it red in a single night,  
As men's have done from sudden beers."

—Biron.

"Not handsome," exclaimed little Pepperpod, surveying himself in the glass, "dimmd genteel."

We have had the pleasure of inspecting a very fine group which has just been executed by a young sculptor. It represents a plumber, an ice-man, and an undertaker giving thanks to the gods for a prosperous season.

"If the good do not die early," asked a cynic in the *Philadelphia Times*, "where in the world are they?"

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After the new cover, the first "midwinter issue" of the *Century* is chiefly distinguished by its unusual range of popular contributors, whose names of themselves awaken in the reader the desire to see their contributions. Of these are Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry W. Longfellow, the late Dean Stanley, Mrs. Burnett, Mr. Howells, Frank R. Stockton, "H. H.," E. C. Stedman, and H. C. Bunner, each of whom has his special audience. Add to these attractive names the other features: a fine frontispiece portrait of Geo. W. Cable, author of "Old Creole Days" and "The Grandissimes," engraved by Cole, with a sketch by Col. Waring; another of the unique and amusing "Tile Club" papers, illustrated by ten of the members of the club; the text (somewhat abridged) of Mrs. Burnett's play of "Esmeralda," now running successfully at a New York theatre; an illustrated account of the growing sport of lawn tennis, with full directions; a review of "Significant Features of the Atlanta Exposition," by Edward Atkinson, Esq., who, we believe, was the prime mover in that enterprise; and a beautifully illustrated paper on "The Phidian Age of Sculpture"—and it will be seen that the number contains rare elements of popularity.

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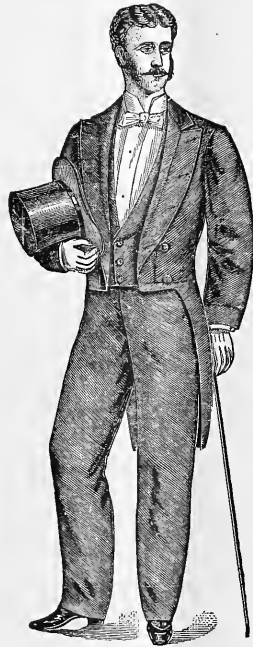
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

While most of our New England contemporaries are convulsed by the pangs of the true London article, and indulging in rash puns upon the name of the Apostle of the same, we find ourselves quietly wandering along oblivious of everything except the exceeding beauty of mid-winter. Though not "secluded among the everlasting hills," as the *Argo* has it, we are yet sufficiently removed to escape the prevailing distempers of æstheticism and varioloid, for both of which we are truly thankful. We must be excused, how-

ever, if we delay to give Dame Nature a tribute for her considerate beneficence. The historic Maine winter, when the snows buried the fence posts and made the visible world only a barren waste of snow, has departed and left us just winter enough to set the sleigh-bells jingling and to give us, now and then, the picture of a perfect morning. The pleasant season makes the weeks go much faster, and already we can foresee the end.

We notice that at this time last year the Senior class had commenced to sit for the class pictures. Although the present class is not so large in numbers, yet surely it is not too early to take definite action, and, at least, go through the formality of selecting a photographer.

The continued absence of President Chamberlain, presumably in the land of orange groves, has been greatly deplored by the Seniors who fail to see just how they are to recover the lost time. The rumor has been circulated that President Chamberlain meditates a withdrawal from his relation with the college, but we hope and believe that it is without the shadow of a foundation. We cannot bring ourselves to discuss a possibility, which, if true, would entail such an incalculable loss to the college. We are not surprised at his exchanging Maine for Florida for a season, at least, but we shall all be glad to see him back again.

The communication signed "A Member of '85," we print because the *ORIENT* is necessarily a medium of expression for all, and for no other reason. It would seem that a too

rigid adoption of the letter of the rule has disagreed with the historic smoothness of Freshman existence and spoiled the dream of years, but the communication speaks for itself.

It is not with a desire to be fashionable that we request a payment of subscriptions, although it tends to that end. We would be really pleased if all indebted would kindly favor us with the amounts. It is unnecessary that we should tell you how much we need money. The tale would be harrowing. Suffice it to say that every day adds inconvenience, and that a sudden and decided movement in the sending in of subscriptions would please us greatly. Will all indebted consider the matter and favor us at their earliest convenience?

The petition for civil service reform has evidently fallen on somewhat uninterested hearers. There can be no class of young men, certainly, more able to judge of the necessity of such a movement than college men and none whose names represent a more judicious mixture of ability and possibility than theirs. We had hoped, and still hope, that the movement will meet a share of success here corresponding to what it has received in other colleges, but have no desire to induce any one beyond their convictions.

The matter has been suggested, not once but many times, concerning the possibility of introducing improved heating apparatus into the dormitories. We were sitting, not long since, by the open wood fire in one of the ends, and could not help contrasting how very superior it is to the unwholesome coal stove with all its inconveniences of every sort. Nothing but economy, and that too in the land of forests, could ever have commended the change from the pleasant open fire-place, with all its health-giving influences of every

kind, to the present abominations of coal stoves. We would at this time welcome any improvement. There can be no reason, we are assured, why steam heating can not be introduced into the dormitories, and means of heating furnished as economically, and with incalculably less inconvenience than now. It certainly is not beyond the limits of possibility, and the times demand it. Perhaps, however, the Faculty object to steam inasmuch as it is not introduced into Memorial Hall. We should be pleased to know whether the introduction of steam heating apparatus into the dormitories is possible.

We should like to call the attention of every one to the exact status of the college as regards the suit now pending. We cannot undertake to correct misrepresentations, or inform the one or two papers in the country who have not yet printed the item that "Seven Bowdoin students were arrested," etc., of the fact, because both would be impossible. We would only like to impress upon those who are just printing the item to the effect that "great excitement exists at Bowdoin in regard to the matter," that such is not wholly the case. It is true that the trial is looked forward to anxiously with the sincere hope that the tribunal of justice, supposed to reside in Portland, will do its duty to both parties. The *Columbia Spectator* contains the statement that the whole Sophomore class will be summoned, possibly the whole college, which is, we think, highly improbable, because the college knows comparatively nothing concerning the affair. The *Spectator* also remarks that *six* students were *recently* jugged for hazing. The story has been an extremely long time in its flight from Maine to New York. We admire the word "jugged," and if the *Spectator* would define we would pass upon the truth of the statement. If it means that they were actually, as Noah Webster has it, "incarcerated," the *Spectator* is wrong again. We have only to say that the

affair is working out its own salvation, and, although almost unprecedented in the history of the college, and indeed in the history of all colleges, will surely set a limit which many of our sister colleges would do well to respect also.

We have received a very excellent communication, which only lack of space prevents our publishing, regarding the relations of the students and Faculty. The writer complains that members of the Faculty are not sufficiently neighborly, and recalls the good old times which held so many pleasant customs,—when it was the expected thing that the professors would frequently drop in and while away an evening around the open fire-place. One can easily see that this would be the pleasantest thing imaginable, especially if the visitor would send in his card the evening previous. There would be, to say nothing of the pleasure of conversation with superior minds, a larger love, as the writer expresses it, and more cordial and more mutual interchange of opinions and a better insight into the correct method of college life.

Anything certainly to create a fellow-feeling, to make student and teacher aware that they are co-workers, is commendable. We fear, however, that some good reason caused the death of this custom. The country parson hangs to the calling system as a means of benefit to both parties, and generally calls previous to the evening meal, and remains. Various of our "young men" call on New-Year's, and many on Sunday evenings, but these are exceptions. We opine that some would object to receiving without notice previous. It ought not to be so, but we fear it is. The sudden appearance of a professor at a whist party, or where the "American game" is in progress, would not be conducive to many novel literary acquirements, or develop brilliancy in conversation. The situation would, we fear, be painful.

Yet there is room for a decided improvement in the sociability of professors. Why the acquaintance may not be carried further than the class-room, and especially here where numbers do not interpose, develop into an intimate acquaintance, to the evident advantage of the student certainly, and perhaps of both, is not evident. While it is certain that we, here in Bowdoin, are not behind other colleges in this respect; yet, as the writer asserts, it might be bettered.

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## HAND-DOWNS.

### A TRADITIONAL TRAGICAL OPERA.

#### *Dramatis Personae.*

JACK LOVE-EM-ALL (*a Student*).  
 E. NIPPER, JR. (*a typical Trader*).  
 MARIA (*a very dizzy young Maid*).  
 LIZ L. ORING (*a typical Hand-Down*).  
*Chorus of gushing Maidens and brash Students.*

#### ACT I.

SCENE: *A boudoir. Mirrors, rouge, lily white, false hair, dresses, etc., scattered around. A crowd of gushing maidens, of doubtful ages, discovered in the apartment.*

#### *Chorus of Maidens:*

Poor unhappy maidens we,  
 Maids forever, probably.  
 Many years we've laid for students,  
 Sacrificing pride and prudence;  
 Mashing Freshmen, green and silly,  
 Praising Sophomores' wicked folly.  
 Petted, loved (?), engaged to Juniors,  
 Left, at last, by cruel Seniors.  
 Handed down from one to other,  
 Till our age, 'tis hard to cover.  
 Now no hope we have to marry,  
 But our aching hearts must carry  
 Till some trader, prof., or tutor  
 Takes us in the distant future.  
 Woe to us! Unhappy misses!  
 Curse the students and their kisses!

*Enter MARIA, R, with a hop, skip, and a jump.*

MARIA:

Oh! cease your sorrow,  
 For on the morrow

Our time will come,  
The day'll be won.  
We'll have them yet,  
My heart I'll bet.  
But list to me  
And you shall see  
How I expect  
To win the bet.

MARIA sings :

To-morrow night, at half-past eight,  
Be all on hand, let none be late,  
The Brunswick band plays on the mall,  
The boys will come, both great and small.  
And while the band plays sweet and soft,  
Why, pick them up and trot them off.  
Buzz them, no matter what you say,  
Ask them to call some other day.  
Iuvite them in to take some feed,  
Ice cream and cake, and all they need.  
Through students' stomachs, so they say,  
To touch their hearts, is the best way.  
This we must do, and I will bet  
We'll break their hearts and win them yet.

Chorus of Maidens :

'Tis true! 'tis true! The day is ours,  
Now students brash, beware,  
And never think again that you  
Can lose us maidens fair.

Exit MARIA and Maidens, frolicking gayly, R.

Enter LIZ L. ORING from door R. C. LIZ soliloquizes :

Alas, poor foolish girls! you little know what cruel Fate has in store for you. I once could sing, and once was young and gay. But I have stood the racket of many a year. I, too, was vexed and troubled by those horrid students. For twelve long years I was loved and jilted by them, and led a dizzy life. To each new class I was but sweet sixteen. But no hopes now have I except to marry that old Nipper whom father kicked from out our house so long ago. [*Maidens heard singing " 'Tis true, 'tis true," etc.*] Hark! they sing. Their song brings back afresh the memories of my youth. I freeze! I burn! My nerves are all unstrung! Help! Water! I faint! Oh! Ah! Alas! (Faints.)

Tableau, red lights, and slow curtains.

ACT II.

FIRST SCENE: Main Street, near the college. Brass band playing in the distance. The fainter the music the better the effect.

Enter E. NIPPER, JR., R. Sings :

I am a jolly vender  
Of calico and silk,  
Of pork and beans, tobacco,  
Of rum and sour milk,  
Of dogs and cats and sausage,  
Of cabbages and beets,  
Of cigarettes and matches,  
Of tough and stringy meats;  
In fact, I deal in all things  
From hair-pins to a saw,  
And when occasion asks it  
I peddle out the law.  
I always cheat the students,  
To cheat them is my aim,  
I hate the pesky rascals,  
Yet through them money gain.  
I'm growing gray and aged,  
And must a helper wed,  
To wash my dirty dishes  
And make my pies and bread.  
I know a buxom maiden  
Whom I courted once before,  
But then she loved a student  
And kicked me out of door.  
But now she's lost her beauty,  
And has had so many jilts  
That, for the sake of marriage,  
She'd wed a pair of stilts.

Dixit :

Yes, yes; I'll go to her to-night, and this time I will warrant her father will not fill me with boots as I descend the steps. Ha! ha! my pretty maid, I'll get even with you yet.

Exit, L.

Enter Students, R.

STUDENTS' SONG.

In us behold the students bold,  
Whose lives are gay and merry,  
We know no fear, of wine or beer,  
Of ale, or Tom and Jerry,  
Of ale, or Tom and Jerry.

A bold bad band, we cannot stand  
The Brunswick band's fierce rattle,  
'Twould stop a train, turn milk to rain,  
Or turn the tide of battle,  
Or turn the tide of battle.

We roam the streets, in search of sweets  
From blushing maidens' kisses,  
We flirt and love like turtle doves,

With dear confiding misses,  
With dear confiding misses.

*Enter JACK LOVE-EM-ALL, R. Sings :*

As I was coming down the street  
A crowd of girls I chanced to meet.  
I think that they mean business, boys,  
So cease your clatter, stop your noise.  
If I'm not wrong they seek a mash,  
So separate and make a dash.  
To follow up some pretty maid,  
And pick her up, be not afraid.  
Make love to them and bill and coo  
Until they think they've captured you.  
Tell them your life is dull and sad,  
Their love you need to make it glad.  
You'll find that they'll not take it ill,  
For they've been often through the mill.  
If they can win a college boy  
They'll be so glad they'll burst with joy.

*Exit JACK and Students, R.*

SECOND SCENE: *A magnificent view of Brunswick by moonlight, showing the centre of the city and mang side streets. A brass band playing on the mall. People promenading. JACK and Students discovered, each with a gushing maiden, on the side streets.\**

*Duet : Students and Maidens.*

*Students to Maidens :*

Music fills the quiet air,  
Luna shineth pale and fair;  
Our hearts fierce beat and flutter  
With a passion too, too utter.  
If you our suit refuse,  
Death will take us, life will lose.

*Maidens to Students :*

Oh ! you students, bad and bold,  
Half the tale we've never told ;  
For we love with such devotion  
We cannot conceal emotion.  
Take our hearts and give us bliss,  
Seal the contract with a kiss.

*(Action suited to words.)*

*Chorus of Maidens :*

Oh, joy ! Oh, rapture ! we are saved,  
Our aching hearts made glad,  
No more will we be handed down  
By students bold and bad.

*Slow curtain. As the curtain descends the band plays softly, and the maidens flop over serenely into the students' arms.*

### ACT III.

FIRST SCENE: *The R. R. station at Brunswick. A train waiting at the station.*

*Enter NIPPER, JR., and LIZ, R., bound to Freeport on their wedding tour. LIZ with a bandana valise. NIPPER, JR., with a little hair trunk.*

*Duet : LIZ and NIPPER.*

*LIZ to NIPPER :*

O my darling little Nipper,  
What a happy couple we,  
What a shame that daddy's slipper  
Used you once so cruelly !

*NIPPER to LIZ :*

Never mind my little duckie,  
You sweet apple of my eye,  
With the students, if we're lucky,  
We'll get even by-and-bye.

*Both :*

Let all others fret with sorrow,  
While we celebrate this day.  
We will never trouble borrow,  
As we go our happy way.

*They get aboard the train.*

*Enter JACK and Students, R., bound home.*

*Chorus of Students :*

Through with troubles, tribulations,  
Fakirs, books, examinations.  
Through with cuts and poor excuses,  
Consultations with the muses,  
We must leave our darling meshes  
For the future coming classes.  
They will miss our sweet embraces,  
And our dear beloved faces.  
But they'll strive with all their cunning  
Some to catch from those forthcoming.  
Year by year they're handed over  
From one student to another.  
Yes, poor girls, your lot we pity,  
As we leave your charming city.

*Students get aboard the train. As the train leaves the station Students sing :*

Fare ye well, ye halls of learning,  
With your pleasures and your grinds ;  
Fare ye well, ye dizzy maidens,  
Whom we have to leave behind.

\* This scene can only be well represented on the mammoth stage at Lemont Hall.

SECOND SCENE: *Boudoir, same as scene in Act I. Maidens discovered with blood-shot eyes, disheveled hair, etc., each having in her hands a pistol, a dagger, and a vial of poison. They moan piteously as the curtain rises.*

*Chorus of Maidens:*

Poor unhappy maidens we.  
But no more we'll maidens be,  
Broken-hearted by our sorrow,  
We will die before the morrow.  
Fooled, betrayed by students' kisses,  
Jeered at by our townsmen's hisses,  
Life for us has naught but sadness,  
Banished all our former gladness.  
Now our hearts, all scarred by mashes,  
Cut, cold steel, with cruel gashes.

*(Stab themselves.)*

Now our brains, if you can find,  
Scatter, pistol, to the wind.

*(Shoot themselves.)*

Now our spirits, poison, fell,—  
Take to heaven or to hell.

*(Drink the poison.)*

*Curtain. As the curtain descends their spirits are wafted away on perfumed breezes to the happy hunting grounds.*

THE END.

## INTER-COLLEGIATE ROWING.

We are pleased to be able to give our readers the latest news concerning the proposed inter-collegiate boat race the coming season. The secretary of the Lake George Association has kindly placed at our disposal replies from the different colleges, selections from which we publish. The majority are in favor of a regatta. Further—

Princeton writes:

Excuse delay in answering. Our men are in active training, and, having found the gymnasium inadequate, have taken a track in the public highways and are busily engaged in removing the lamp-posts and greasing the railroad tracks. Unfortunately the men are obliged to practice chiefly in the night, hence we have not been able to judge of their progress. We will not row if Hart of Pennsylvania rows.

*Later.* Owing to the expenses incurred in these works it is doubtful what action we shall take.

From Oberlin:

We do not approve of boat races. We have found more congenial labor at home. A dram-shop has been discovered in the village, and the students are actively laboring for its destruction with wonderful enthusiasm. This we consider the proper exercise for muscular Christianity. Should we finish in season we have hopes of coming east on a similar mission.

*Later.* Impossible to come East. Two horrible cases of tobacco chewing have been found right in our midst. These will require all our attention.

Pennsylvania writes:

Saratoga is too far. We want to row at home—on the Schuylkill. It is unfair to ask us to bear any expenses. Have the race on the Schuylkill, pay our expenses, guarantee us a prize, let us select our own judges, and we will consider your proposition. We wish to serve notice on several colleges that we shall not row without Hart.

From Columbia:

Will be on hand. We have Freshmen in active training, and their brilliant display in saloons recently was peculiarly gratifying. Columbia is once more desirous of exhibiting her peculiar style of manning a boat—four men to row, and the remainder for passengers and ballast. We will guarantee no fainting this time.

Cornell writes:

Is your proposal made in jest or in earnest? Rowing is a poor subject for a joke with this institution. Know you not that boating is a thing of the past at Cornell? and yet it is but one short year, and no crew equalled ours (in our minds). Then we went abroad and at once we were at sea—beyond our depth. You know the rest. You have touched a tender place—a spot that is yet raw. Ah, well!

From Harvard:

Will Yale row? If so, count us in.

And Yale:

Will Harvard row? If not, count us out.

Williams laments thusly:

Did you say boat race to us, or was your letter misdirected? Old inhabitants and college traditions tell of Williams's former prowess with the oar, and, too, there are old landmarks which skilled antiquarians pronounce the remains of a boat-house—nothing further. We are forbidden to join associa-

tions. Can you inform us if Garfield was an oarsman?

And Bates meekly whispers:

You confer a great honor, at the same time you frighten us. How we should like to row with real college crews? But then the long distance and the expense—ah, there's the rub. Our authorities say we shall need all we can raise for home consumption, as some cruel people are disposed to take advantage of our position as a weakling. Then again we have no boat, and in fact we never rowed, but of course *we* should not consider the last any drawback.

"Considering the above facts I would urgently advise the Bowdoin crew to go into training at once."

We emphatically endorse the advice of the secretary.

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## COMMUNICATIONS.

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*Editors of Orient:*

We are glad to see the "Infusion of Harvard blood into the Faculty," and hope that the changes that the Latin professor has commenced to make will meet with success. The manner of conducting recitations and the method employed to familiarize us with the Latin phrases and idioms are agreeable to us as students and surely approved by all, but as a class officer we would beg to suggest that it would be much more agreeable if the manner of receiving excuses were more in accordance with that of the other class officers. Whatever may be the duties of a class officer elsewhere it does not devolve upon a class officer at Bowdoin to dwell too much on trivial points and technicalities. A too rigid exaction of the letter of the law makes it most inconvenient, and while we know that comparisons are odious yet we are sure that previous Freshman classes have got along well enough to warrant an equal discrimination now. We only wish to be heard through your columns, and make the suggestion hoping for the most pleasant results. A MEMBER OF '85.

*Editors of Orient:*

However unwelcome the thought may be, it must be admitted that the manner in which many of us pass Sunday is, to say the least, not *more* elevating than our week-day occupations. For each week-day we have some appointed task upon which it is necessary to spend more or less time; but when Sunday comes the average student communes with himself to this effect: "This is not a day for study" (probably since inclination coincides with principle (?) he comes to this conclusion the more quickly), "and I have not a nameable thing to do." He therefore passes the day in sheer idleness, or, even worse, takes refuge in pastimes not too suitable for a week-day.

That such is the habitual routine of many in college is a lamentable fact, and the query arises, What can be done about it? Immediately some of the more zealous cry out, "We must have more religious services." Very plausible in theory,—but experience and observation testify that that will accomplish nothing. The regular meetings of the Praying Circle are not so crowded as to call for more frequent ones. The fact stares us in the face that but few members of the college are professing Christians, and that a majority are not to be reached by religious influence. What then? Are we immediately to conclude that there is *no* help since the highest means has been found to be useless? Some, perhaps, will say, "Yes, there is no other cure." It is true that such means, could they produce any effect, would work the most radical change,—a change from positive evil to positive good. But as such a change is, at least, improbable, will it not be profitable to turn our minds in search of means, less radical to be sure, but capable, perhaps, of some elevating influence?

One thing suggests itself which would, in my opinion, be a strong step in the right direction, and that is the opening of the college library on Sunday. It will be urged that

full opportunity is given, on every afternoon in the week, for the students to procure books and take them to their rooms. Very true; but could not some, who had neglected to procure them, by this arrangement remedy their neglect; and would not others, who had not, perhaps, interest enough to take out books, come to the library on Sunday, driven by the absolute want of something profitable to do, and thus kept from doing something entirely unprofitable?

From an impartial point of view there would seem to be but two questions necessary to be answered in order to decide the subject. First, will it do any harm? second, will it not do *some* good? No good reason occurs to me why the first question should not be answered in the negative. I have tried to suggest some reasons why the second shall be answered in the affirmative. At any rate it is a subject worthy of earnest consideration. Dis.

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## COLLEGE ITEMS.

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A sound steals thro' the silent hall,  
A rustling, muffled sound,  
Approaching footsteps thro' the wall,  
Loud tumult echoes round.

From top to lower floor they come,  
Like tread of cloven hoof.  
No! Yes! I know it must be—some—  
A junior on the roof.

Hutchings played both evenings at the G. A. R. Fair.

President Chamberlain returned from the South last week.

One of the students has been trying his bicycle at the skating rink.

Science even may now be expressed in æsthetic terminology. We speak of (NO)<sub>2</sub>.

One of the professors thinks the Senior class more than usually delicate in health.

The Sophomores in their rhetorical exercises have been discussing the merits of '83.—*Bugle*.

The result of our compulsory attendance system was very obvious at church last Sunday.

The Seniors are having required reading in connection with the study of history of philosophy.

The opening exercises of the medical school are held on Thursday of this week. Dr. Mitchell gives the address.

It is understood that Mr. Booker has had an offer of \$5000 for "Jack" since his advertisement in the *Bugle*.

Prof. Robinson gave a lecture at Boothbay, Tuesday, 31st, on the subject, "Gold, Silver, and the Precious Stones."

The assemblies that were to be held in Dirigo Hall by the students have been given up on account of small attendance.

The College Glee Club will give a concert at Richmond, Saturday, February 18th. They expect a cordial support from the students.

A hundred yards dash for the chapel on the slippery paths is a very amusing spectacle, though undignified for an upper classman.

Just now there is a corner in the kindling wood market. Attic floors still firm at old rates. Neighboring fences shaky with a tendency to fall.

The parallel bars from the old gymnasium have been placed in the little mathematical room, South Winthrop, and are waiting for some one to try them.

On account of the severe storm last Sunday the audience at church was small, and composed mostly of students. Prof. Campbell preached the sermon.

The chapel quartet sang at the second evening of the fair on Thursday last. College musical talent seems to be in demand at the various entertainments about town.

Several projects have been discussed for gaining more time for access to the library. The plan of lighting and opening the library during the evening has been considered.

The class in geology have finished their course in that study and have begun reviewing in order to have the examination before the president takes the class in his department.

The Congregational sociable at the house of Mrs. Thompson, last Thursday, was well attended by the students, in spite of attractions in other parts of the village. The evening passed very pleasantly.

Lieut. Crawford, since he has been in Washington has been a member of Guiteau's body guard. He has written an interesting letter to friends in town giving the result of his observations in regard to the criminal.



On the day of prayer, services were held by the college in the Chemical lecture room. Prof. Campbell preached from the text II. Corinthians iii. 17, and deeply interested the audience by his instructive and scholarly discourse.

A number of trees in the campus woods are being cut down, apparently for fire wood. A year or so ago, however, the college authorities were much opposed to removing a couple of trees which interfered with the ball ground.

An address was given to the students in the Praying Circle room, Sunday evening, by Prof. Robinson. It is hoped that these lectures may be continued by our Faculty, as they seem to be of interest to the students in general.

At the Alpha Delta Phi dinner in Boston, January 31st, President Chamberlain was elected delegate at large, and Edward Stanwood and Arlo Bates delegates from Bowdoin to the convention to be held in New York next spring.

The high wind about a fortnight ago, blew over one of the chimneys on North Appleton. The other chimneys about the college may be built as strongly as practicable, but the idea of being greeted with a shower of bricks in every gale is not a pleasant one.

The ORIENT has received from the college a copy of the general catalogue. This publication is no longer called the *Triennial*, as it has not appeared regularly. A copy will be sent to the officers of the college and the alumni, whose address can be obtained.

Prof. (to student)—“Describe the *sternum* in this species of bird.” (Hesitation on the part of student.) “What is the shape of the *sternum* in the turkey?” (Further hesitation.) “Do you know what the *sternum* is?” Student—“It’s the bone the tail feathers grow out of.” Class all have the colic.

On the evening of Wednesday before last, the Juniors had an interesting lecture in connection with their Chemistry, showing the crystallization of different substances by the evaporation of solutions. The process of crystallization was beautifully illustrated on a white screen, by means of a calcium light and lantern.

A. F. Nichols, formerly well known in Boston, has one of the handsomest and best equipped tailoring establishments at Brunswick to be found east of Boston. It is located on the ground floor of the new brick Dunlap block, and is the acme of convenience, utility, and elegance, in all its appoint-

ments. Mr. Nichols imports his own goods and carries in stock an extensive and varied assortment of the best English and Scottish suitings, which are manufactured to order into nicely fitting garments by competent journeymen tailors, at moderate prices. He has been in Brunswick only a few months, but is rapidly acquiring the reputation of being the most fashionable and popular tailor in the State of Maine.—*Boston Post*.

The fourteenth annual reunion of the Bowdoin Alumni in Boston, was held at Young’s Hotel, Wednesday, January 25th. About seventy gentlemen were present, among whom were many notable men of the State. Judge Gardner presided, and highly commended the history of the college and the standing of its graduates. Prof. Chapman was introduced to represent the college, and in his address acknowledged the many favors Bowdoin had received from the Alumni, and spoke of its present encouraging condition. Other distinguished speakers were introduced, and all expressed their interest in the prospects of Bowdoin.

The program of the chapel concert is as follows:

PART FIRST.

1. Original Part Song. “Alma Mater.” Quintet.
2. Original Song and Chorus, “Junior Ease.” Quintet.
3. Song. “The Young Mountaineer.” Prof. Chapman.
4. Piano Duet. “Moonlight Sonata.” Mrs. Carmichael and Prof. Saucier.
5. Original Part Song. “Ivy Ode.” Quintet.
6. Original Part Song. “Senior’s Last Chapel.” Quintet.
7. Piano Solo. Scherzo, Bb. Prof. Saucier.
8. Original Part Song. “Music of the Elms.” Quintet.

PART SECOND.

9. Piano Solo. “Halle Des Chasseurs.” Miss Forde.
10. Song. “The Snow Lies White.” Mrs. Lee.
11. Duet, Piano and Clarinet. Figaro’s Hoehzelt. Mrs. Carmichael and Mr. Hutchins.
12. Original Part Song. “The Thorndike Oak.” Quintet.
13. Baritone Solo. (Instrumental.) “Silver Stream Polka.” Mr. J. W. Crosby.
14. Original Part Song. “Senior’s Farewell.” Quintet.
15. Piano Solo. “Norma.” Prof. Saucier.
16. Original Song and Chorus. “Bowdoin Crew.” Quintet.

The judges chosen to decide as to the merit of the original college songs rendered at the chapel concert, submitted their decision Friday afternoon. Before naming the successful competitors, it should be stated that the selection of the best pieces was

by no means easily made. Seven out of the eight (the eighth coming second) received a vote for first place, either on account of excellence in musical composition, or for words, or as a college song. Careful criticism was given, and the aptness of each composition considered. Below is given the result of the decision: Best musical composition, "Ivy Ode," E. R. Jewett, '82; best words, "Ivy Ode," C. E. Stinchfield, '82. The four best songs were: 1st, "Ivy Ode," music by E. R. Jewett, words by C. E. Stinchfield; 2d, "Alma Mater," music by J. Torrey, Jr., '84, words by C. C. Torrey, '84; 3d, "Bowdoin Crew," music by J. W. Crosby, '82, words, Anonymous; 4th, "Music of the Elms," music by J. A. Crowley, '83, words by J. F. Libby, '82. The following persons acted as judges: From the Faculty—Professors Chapman, Campbell, and Johnson; From the students—E. T. McCarthy, '82, C. C. Hutchins, '83, C. W. Longren, '84, N. B. Ford, '85; From town—Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. H. P. Nichols, and Miss Smith of Topsham.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

At a regular meeting of the Kappa Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, held February 3, 1882, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to remove from this life our esteemed and beloved brother

ALVAH BLACK,

of the class of 1845, therefore,

*Resolved*, That in his death the society loses a brother who was faithful and zealous in the performance of his duties, while an active member of the Chapter, and who, after graduating from college, was always loyal to the interests of Psi Upsilon, and devoted to its welfare and prosperity, one who was wise in counsel and fearless in action; an honest and upright man, whose virtues endeared him not only to the fraternity, of which he was a member, but also to his large circle of friends.

*Resolved*, That we tender to the family of the deceased brother, our heartfelt sympathy in this their deep affliction.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, to the several Chapters, and to the press.

W. O. PLIMPTON, } In behalf of  
H. E. ALLEN, } the  
W. J. COLLINS, } Kappa Chapter.

Bowdoin College, February 3, 1882.

1st Senior—"Do you like going to the 'mission'?"  
2d Senior—"Certainly, I would not *shun* the *Miss* I saw there the other day for a horse on Anacronem."  
1st Senior is sent home in a carriage.—*Targum*.

#### PERSONAL.

'34.—Mr. John C. Dodge, president of the board of overseers of the college, spoke at the dinner of the Bowdoin Alumni in Boston, held January 25.

'44.—Winthrop Tappan has been traveling in Europe since 1872. He has no permanent residence, his last being at Florence, Italy.

'45.—Alvah Black died at his residence in Paris a short time since. He was one of the first lawyers of Oxford County. He held the position of clerk of the judicial courts from 1856-9, and was a member of the Maine Legislature in 1860. He was a man of fine ability and will be greatly missed at the Oxford bar.

'47.—Henry G. Neil is contractor for wood and ties for U. P. R. R. Company, Tie Siding, Wyo. Ter.

'50.—Hon. Wm. S. Gardner was re-elected President of the "Bowdoin Alumni Association" in Boston at the reunion and dinner held January 25.

'51.—J. C. A. Wingate, United States Consul at Foochow, China, has recently sent Prof Packard a Chinese book on Anatomy. It is quite a curious volume. It may be seen at the library.

'55.—W. L. Putnam was nominated, February 3, by Gov. Plaisted to fill the vacancy which will exist on the supreme bench by the expiration of Judge Libby's term, April 23d. Mr. Putnam is one of the first lawyers in the State.

'66.—Rev. George T. Packard, who has been living here in town until of late, has accepted a temporary position on the editorial staff of the *Boston Daily Advertiser*.

'66.—John J. Herrick has a chapter devoted to his biography in the *Chicago Alliance*, which is publishing sketches of the Illinois bar. In closing it speaks of him as follows: "Many a man who has grown gray at the bar would be glad of the position which Mr. Herrick has attained almost at a bound."

'68.—Mr. T. J. Emory is secretary of the Bowdoin Alumni Association in Boston for the ensuing year.

'79.—O. S. C. Davies, who has been dispensary clerk at the insane hospital at Augusta for the past year, has resigned that position to enter the Medical School here this coming term.

'81.—J. O. P. Wheelwright spent a few days with us last week. He finds an occasional recreation beneficial, lest the study of law should weigh too heavily upon him.

'84.—Longren has returned from teaching.

'84.—Sayward's stentorian voice is again heard on the campus.

## CLIPPINGS.

Student (translating)—“*Instruxi triplicem aciem*—he drew three axes.”

“Get thee behind me, Satan,” said the young lady with a long train.—*Lampoon*.

A gamecock ought to be good eating. Does not the poet say, “The bravest are the tenderest?”—*Ex.*

It is reported that President McCosh intends to prohibit Princeton students from being on the streets at night.—*Echo*. Why not spank them and put them to bed?—*Cornell Era*. That’s the way they do at Cornell, McCosh!—*Acta*.

Scene (Recitation Room). Bell has just rung and the class becomes impatient to leave. Prof. N.—“Now gentlemen, I have a mortgage on you for a few minutes yet.” Mr. H.—“And, sir, you don’t get much interest from us, either.”—*Spectator*.

The following tale is being circulated about “Wild Oscar.” One day, while at lunch, he noticed some lilies on the table which were somewhat faded. After gazing pensively at them for a while he said, “Poor things! They are very, very weary.” Then turning to the waiter: “Come take them to rest.” What a beautiful sentiment!—*Spectator*.

—“By George!” said the local ed., rushing into the office, “Here’s a good one; just made it up. If a certain young lady with large hands should say her gloves were a mile too big, would you be justified in telling her that she was drawing it *mild*? Do you tumble? Ha! Ha!” He tumbled. The managing ed.’s aim was sure, and the inkstand did its work, and his gore mingled with its contents in one pool on the floor.—*Lehigh Burr*.

“I assure you, gentlemen,” said the convict upon entering the prison, “that the place has sought me, and not I the place. My own affairs really demand all my time and attention, and I may truly say that my selections to fill this position was an entire surprise. Had I consulted my own interests, I should have peremptorily declined to serve; but as I am in the hands of my friends, I see no other course than to submit.” And he submitted.—*Ex.*

## EDITORS’ TABLE.

The exchange editor of the *Amherst Student* has taken a new departure in the management of his columns. He says: “Why we college papers should regularly devote a page or so to dealing out taffy that is often unmerited, or censure, perhaps, equally undeserved to the other members of the college press, is a matter we never thoroughly understood.” He, therefore, has determined to make of his column a sort of foreign department, in which

the news from the other colleges can be systematically given. If such a radical change as this should be generally adopted, it would, in a great degree do away with the element of personality, which is now shown, but this might be a good result, as it would lessen the sharp-shooting and slang-slinging now indulged in. It seems that they have a six o’clock bell at Amherst. A case of varioloid has appeared, and the house at which the afflicted student boarded has been strictly quarantined. A correspondent of the *Student* claims to have interviewed Oscar Wilde. The Glee Club is not equal to what it was. The *Olio* is out and the *Student* thinks it a tame affair, however, in its local columns, it says that the entire edition of the *Olio* is exhausted, and still there is a cry for more.

The *Columbia Spectator* is undoubtedly the most attractive of our exchanges, and its contents are always on a par with its get-up. Its full page cartoon in its last issue is quite clever. An expensive introduction is very ingenious. “Memoirs of a Tutor,” by Cornicula is concluded. The individual whose autobiography is given had a checkered career, and finally became tutor in Whiskey University (colored), South Carolina.

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## SENIOR YEAR.

(Optional). (Optional).

Now I must close with an appeal for help. We are in a suffering condition. The Freshman class fortunately caught a ‘coon one night last week, which will keep us in meat for the present. If any Columbia students have any old clothes, will they please put them in a box and give them to the *Columbia Spectator* for Whiskey University. Money we also need, although it would be *safer to send it direct to us*. If there are any caps and gowns they are acceptable, if not for the day, in the night season.

How happy are Columbia boys,

Who study by the fire,

While Southern students, tired with toil,

To catch the ‘coon perspire.”

The Williams papers greet us again. The *Athenæum* comes first, and kindly calls attention to

the delay in the appearance of the *Argo*. We learn from its columns that Mr. Blaine was invited to deliver the Commencement oration before the Adelpic Union, but was unable to accept. Hon. Wendell Phillips was the second choice, but he has not yet been communicated with in regard to the subject.

"How a wrong was righted," setting forth how the *Actor* did penance for leaving out from one number all mention of the *Argo* may be very funny, but we think the insertion of such an article was equally inadmissible. It causes the suspicion that the *Athenæum*, by resorts to such witticisms, aimed at more or less well-known personalities, tries to pull down the *Argo* from a position which it has not merit enough to reach. "Colonel Pete" is the best written piece in this *Athenæum*, and the delusion is well kept up to the end.

The *Argo* begins a series of three articles on tobacco. They are to consist principally of selections of poetry on the subject and are illustrated. Ephraim treats of æstheticism among the exchanges.

And now for Yale. The question of track athletics with Harvard has been given up. Mr. Battell, who built Battell Chapel, is to furnish it with a chime of bells. The literary editors have been chosen and the selection seems to be on the whole very satisfactory. A position on the literary is rightfully considered the highest literary honor of the course. The Glee Club is to sing in Boston, February 15th. In some of the college buildings great fault is found with the steam heating arrangements. Prof. Ladd's optional class is said to contain three men. \$335,000 in the way of gifts have been paid into the college treasury during the past year.

The *Courant* editorial board is to be announced in the issue of February 18th. The *Courant* has the following statement of the position of the Seniors: "The 'victim of great expectations,' as the Senior class has been aptly dubbed by one instructor, finds its fondest hopes blasted once more. We labored on last term, hoping and waiting for the ease which the new term would bring, but our anticipations are brought to a most unfortunate end. We do not call for reform, for that is hopeless; we do not even protest, for we should get no answer save the echo of our own cry returning to us. We merely endure."

"Belgrade's Sensation," evidently a Maine story, is a very good sketch, light and humorous, without using slang or abuse. Æstheticism has evidently

taken root at Harvard, as is attested by this little effusion in the *Crimson*:

## HEART'S PASSION.

O, lily, drooping from thy languid stem  
(Thoughts of my love like precious suitors woo me),  
My darling touched me with her garment's hem,  
But touched and passed; yet from her garment's hem  
A yearning thrill intense as fire went through me.

O, lily, basking in the sun's warm ray  
(Thoughts of my love like precious suitors woo me),  
From my love's eyes there came a light like day,  
A light that shamed the duller light of day,  
Thrilling to passion, threat'n'ing to undo me.

O, lily, fainting at the approach of night,  
(Thoughts of my love like precious suitors woo me),  
Thy sun has set indeed; but my delight  
Lives in my darling's smile and glances bright;  
Only her frown brings night and sorrow to me. H. R.

## A PERSIAN DANCING GIRL.

Jasmines tangled in her hair—  
Ebon hair that loosely hangs,  
Tipped with silver serpent's fangs,  
Swaying in the scented air.

Silken sandals on her feet—  
Tiny feet that trip in time  
To the tambourine and rhyme  
With the tinkling music sweet.

Ou her olive-tinted breast,  
Turquoise trinkets, jewels, rings—  
Lover's tokens—gifts from kings,  
Jingle gaily, never rest.

Now she gives a dizzy twirl  
To the measures of the dance—  
Quicker than a stolen glance,  
Glides the dainty, graceful girl.

Just beyond the eager throng  
Lazily her lover smokes  
With his rivals, telling jokes  
Spiced with strains of Persian song.

Idly waiting—well he knows  
How they hate him, every one.  
In the garden of the Sun  
He has picked the fairest rose.

F. D. S.

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The Engineering Department remains as heretofore, and facilities are offered for study of the various branches of this science. The means of theoretical instruction are ample, and the town of Brunswick being one of the principal railroad centres in the State, and in the immediate vicinity of many important public works, affords excellent opportunities for the study of actual structures. The College also enjoys many favors from the United States Coast Survey Office. The admission is the same as to the Academic Department, omitting the Greek, except that a full equivalent in French will be taken, if desired, in the place of Latin.

Those who complete satisfactorily the four years' course in engineering will receive the Degree of Sc. B. Those who complete a two years' course of advanced study will receive the Degree of Civil or Mechanical Engineer. Students not candidates for a degree will be received at any stage for which an examination shall show them to be fitted, and may remain for any desired time. Further information will be furnished on application to Professor G. L. Vose.

## Terms of Admission to the Academic Course.

Applicants for admission will be examined in the following subjects:

**LATIN.**—Latin Grammar, including Prosody; Writing Latin (35 Lessons in Allen's Latin Composition are recommended as indicating the amount required for examination); Virgil, the Bucolics, Georgics, and six books of the *Æneid*; Cicero, seven Orations; Sallust.

**GREEK.**—Hadley's Greek Grammar; Xenophon's *Anabasis*, four books, and Homer's *Iliad*, two books; Jones's Greek Prose Composition.

**ANCIENT GEOGRAPHY.**

**MATHEMATICS.**—Arithmetic, including Common

and Decimal Fractions, Interest, Square Root and the Metric System; Algebra, through Equations of the Second Degree; Geometry, Books I. and III. of Loomis's Geometry.

Real equivalents for any of the foregoing requirements will be accepted. All applicants for admission will be required to produce testimonials of good moral character. The time for examination is the Friday after Commencement and the Friday before the opening of the first term. In exceptional cases applicants may be examined at other times. Candidates for admission to advanced classes will be examined in the studies which such classes have accomplished.

The Faculty are also ready to make arrangements with the Principals of schools and academies having a regular course preparatory for college of at least three years' duration, whereby their pupils may be examined for admission to college at their respective schools, in connection with their own final examinations.

The amount of instruction now offered and possible to be taken in the several principal lines of study is exhibited comparatively, as reduced to one scale, in the following manner. This is, however, only approximate, as the terms are of unequal length:

Latin, eight terms.

Greek, eight terms.

Mathematics, eight terms.

German, four and a half terms.

English (including Anglo-Saxon), and English Literature, three and a half terms.

French, three terms.

Italian, one term.

Spanish, one term.

Rhetoric (formal), one term. Rhetorical and Forensic exercises, equivalent to two and a half terms.

Natural History studies, five and a half terms.

Physics and Astronomy, four terms.

Chemistry, four terms.

History, Ancient and Modern, two terms.

Political Economy, one and a half terms.

Public Law, two terms.

Mental and Moral Philosophy, including Logic, four terms.

Christian Evidences, one term.

## Expenses.

The annual expenses are as follows: Tuition, \$75. Room rent (half), average, \$25. Incidentals, \$10. Total regular College charges, \$110.

Board is obtained in town at \$3 to \$4 a week. Other necessary expenses will probably amount to \$40 a year. Students can, however, by forming clubs under good management, very materially lessen the cost of living.

Further information on application to the President.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The mild days which have succeeded the long monotony of cold and snow-storms, remind us that the time is coming when the melodious shaking down of coal stoves at all hours of the night will no more be heard; when the campus, its coat, or rather blanket, of snow gone, will be laid bare in all its naked ugliness; when Brunswick streets will run rivers to the mall; and—we find ourselves reduced for a climax to something about house cleaning or the organ grinder, but will desist from putting it into words. You all

know what we mean, that that somewhat elastic season which the poets sing about is almost upon us. Seriously, we wish to urge that measures be taken for properly employing it. There are few who are so absorbed in their books as not to be open to its benign influence. As the days grow longer there is felt an increased desire for exercise, especially out-of-door exercise, which is in this climate, unfortunately, in advance of the means of fulfilling it. The lack of a gymnasium has, of course, cherished inactivity, but we hope that when the weather becomes suitable, as well as the exercise necessary, as much spirit as usual will be shown. The diminutive gymnasium in the south of Winthrop is crowded every afternoon with an admiring audience, chiefly Freshmen, while a half a dozen men work on the parallels. It will require careful training from now on, if our field day and boat race is to be made creditable.

We are reminded that it is useless to seek a paradise here below, by reading such a bit of sarcasm coming from Harvard,—that supposed Utopia for those desiring a life of luxurious ease:

Despairing Freshman,—No, we *don't* think it unreasonable that your examination in physics should consist almost entirely of problems and formulas. The college expects that you are all going to become engineers or scientists. It is, moreover, a splendid discipline for the mind, to cram a mass of formulas, and to neglect the general principles of the subject. And it is really silly to object because so large a proportion of the class get marks under 50 per cent., and that so many men get conditioned in this subject every year. Your course otherwise is so easy and simple that it needs some heroic tonic, like your physics as now taught,

to give it character. *Macte virtute, Puer.* The faculty approve of cramming and fosters the system. So go in and cram. *Perhaps* you will dig through to China.—*Harvard Herald.*

The disciples of Sullivan are showing unusual activity in the pursuit of the "noble art," and the attendant nymph, wrestling, is in favor among the broad-backed. If dull thuds or sudden falls are heard in a distant room no surprise is manifested, for it is known that the sluggers are at it again. Care has to be taken in regard to contests among Freshmen, for they manifest such a blood-thirsty spirit that the results of their unbridled fury may be serious.

In our last number we congratulated ourselves on being so far removed from the center of civilization that we had escaped the prevailing distempers of æstheticism and varioloid. We have, however, come in for our share of affliction, and at present writing a pest, which seems uncontrollable, holds high carnival in our midst. Lest we may excite in our friends undue apprehension, we will say that neither the red flag or the sun flower are the signs of it. Whatever be its exact nature, on the certainly unimpeachable authority of the sufferers themselves, it is called the pink eye. This will be recognized as the disease with which horses have been affected in many places. Yet, with the exception of the lower classes, few of the students have much to do of late with anything of that ilk. The symptoms are varied, but in all cases the attack has been sudden. Our reporter has interviewed several of the principal sufferers. Mr. Batkins, of '82, was apparently well at supper time on the evening of the 14th. He went to the post-office and took from his box what, from the stamp, he thought was a valentine. He opened it hastily and found that it was a bill from one of our best-known local firms. Kind friends guided him to his room,

but it will undoubtedly be a long time before he will be able to return to his studies. Mr. Samson, of '85, got his Greek lesson as usual on the night before, but the next morning his eyes looked as if he had been practicing to take part in *Œdipus*. Mr. Schluff, of '82, celebrated the conclusion of geology, and is able to look at the world with one eye, and then only through the medium of blue glasses. In other cases we find that the sudden proximity of a boxing glove to the individual's eye has provoked an attack of the disease.

Among modern inventions there is none which is more likely to influence poetry and literature, as well as practical life, than the stylograph. Poets have always looked with peculiar veneration on the pens which have enabled them to transcribe their flowing thoughts, and the stylograph is a much more proper object for poetic inspiration than the vulgar goose quill or commonplace steel pen. A more poetical name might, perhaps, be invented for it, and we can easily imagine a poet addressing an ode to his stylograph, and introducing some simile such as, that as he carried stored up in the treasury of his brain the poem which is to be produced, so the servant stylograph contains within itself the hidden reservoir from which, at his will, ink sufficient for the writing will flow. Then, again, the stylograph is destined to play an important part in history. Think of the value that fortunate pen would possess which, after having in the hands of some future President, signed the treaty for the annexation of Canada, should be preserved for long ages, perchance yet containing the original ink. Demosthenes is said to have committed suicide by taking poison which he carried in the tip of his pen in readiness for an emergency. We hardly dare to suggest the superior facilities which a stylographic pen offers for such a purpose lest the blood

of a throng of imitators may be on our own head.

Back numbers of the ORIENT can be obtained of the business editor. Those especially of the Senior and Junior classes who desire full files of the ORIENT during their college course can be accommodated reasonably by the present board at very reasonable prices. It will not be long before full files of the ORIENT will be unobtainable.

We would not commend the manner recently taken by one of the classes of informing the professor of the too great length of lessons. It is an admirably suggestive way, perhaps, and we should think would always serve its end, but it lacks in straightforwardness what it possesses in intrinsic result and worth. We have no idea of making these remarks personal with any one class or section of a class. The "class cut," as an institution, is aged, but the grace of added years comes not with it. It remains to-day, as ever, one of the most despicable of the possible ways of showing dislike either to professor or to study pursued, and the class that drops it first, especially as a means of conveying the knowledge of a grievance which a few manly words would eradicate, will deserve every praise as a reformer.

The general catalogue of the alumni of the college is in the active process of distribution. It is sent to alumni everywhere. The whole number of alumni as given by the catalogue is two thousand twenty-eight, and of the medical school twelve hundred eighty-four. The lists of classes are from 1806 to 1881, inclusive.

The Freshmen have begun to circulate a subscription paper among the members of their class calling for funds towards the purchase of a class boat. The movement is timely and demands every encouragement

from the members of the class in the way of subscription and co-operation. To the Freshmen will be due in no slight degree the interest and success of every spring regatta, and at this period the future perhaps of boating. We may be wrong, but boating seems to us in a critical period, and very little in opposition would well nigh bring it back into the condition of six years ago. The purchase of a boat and a decided and determined stand will do as much for the record of the class as any action they can take, and the aid they can give to boating should be their peculiar gratification to offer.

We have noticed a remark in some of our exchanges in regard to the German method of delivering lectures which we are certain it will not be out of place to reproduce here. This method, which is delivering a continued discourse occupying the first three-quarters of the hour or more, and allowing the remainder of the hour in dictating the heads and salient points of the lecture, has numerous advantages corresponding to its practicability. The rapid delivery of our lectures in political economy, for instance, leaves no time for notes, and if notes are taken much of the lecture is lost. In this case the whole lecture could be listened to, but little abbreviated by the five, ten, or even fifteen allowance at the end and enjoyed both as a finished whole, unbroken by note-taking, and at the same time by judicious hints from the lecturer be retained in all its leading features.

#### RONDEAU-JEHAN FROISSART, 134—?

Come back, my love! Too long dost thou delay;  
It giveth me such grief and pain.  
My heart doth seek thee every hour of day.  
Come back, my love! Too long dost thou delay.

For none doth cheer, when thou art far away,  
Nor shall till thou shalt come again.  
Come back, my love! Too long dost thou delay;  
It giveth me such grief and pain.

## THE AMERICAN NOVEL.

We discover the standard of the novel as we discover its birth and growth. For the genesis of the American novel, as a growth in a new soil and apart from the influences of other novels in the English tongue, we must look to the days of the *Spectator* and the *Tatler*. No one doubts to-day that the essayists of Queen Anne's time moulded *belles lettres* in the uncultured colonies as surely as they quickened the letters of their native land by the diffusion of graceful, easy writing.

Addison and Steele find readers to-day, although it is quite unlikely that to-day if the true Addisonian pen existed, it would confine itself to the essay, or if it did that people would read so eagerly as in the good old days. Our American Addison, from whose corner in the great magazine emanate, each month, so many polished and graceful essays, must yet call to his aid the poet and the story teller, and feast the eye and mind with illustration, tale, and poem, while he offers his finished studies. So we find the essay, the first cultivated in the line of lighter literature, relegated to a, perhaps, subordinate position. It was this essay, and the time in which it appeared, that first gave the impetus to the American novel. To understand the possibility of the truth of this statement it is necessary to go back to the days of the *Spectator* and the *Tatler*. It was in 1672 that Addison was born, and in 1709 when the first number of the *Tatler* appeared. The instant success of this sheet was unexampled. Every coffee house, and they were common in those days, and every tea table received the *Tatler* and read it with avidity. Every caste of people, from prince to peasant, in the reading world, read Addison's graceful style and Dicky Steele's skillful pen pictures, and every reader became so much the improved thereby. They saw another way to amuse than by invoking muses and treading the empty boards and mousing

vulgar dramas. Here was something in the family, and gossip, too, about one's neighbors. The *Tatler* gave place to the *Spectator*, the most celebrated of the publications, which ran through some six hundred or more numbers, giving way to the *Guardian*.

Here in America, literature lacked that stolidity and respectability of age of which the mother country could boast. The habit of looking to the fatherland for intellectual nourishment was prevalent in everything except religion. That the settlers brought as a birthright and free discussion nourished. Religious discussions and writings were the first showings of American literature. Next, more directly in the line of the novel, we find the newspaper, and this newspaper early in the eighteenth century publishing fresh reprints of the *Spectator*. Certain it is, then, that "Roger de Coverly" came over the sea and entered every home almost and sat at every table, with every reprint or invoice of the *Spectator*. This cannot be disregarded in its effect. Barely a century before the cold bleak shores of Massachusetts had received the Pilgrims, and yet at this day the same sketch amused them both. Next Dennie publishes his "Lay Preacher," and the American Novel almost can be seen in its infancy. This influence culminated almost, or at least produced its most direct results, in the series of letters signed "Jonathan Oldstyle, Gent.," which appeared in the *New York Chronicle*, and which were the introduction to the remarkable career in letters which is marked by "Knickerbocker" and "Sketch Book," and the others of Irving's literary life. Irving is the essayist, the Addison of America. Irving's writings could not evade the influence of the times, and are the link between the essay and the novel. One hardly knows whether his "Sketch Book" is a novel in chapters or a book of essays in his inimitable style.

The American novel, properly speaking, dates from Charles Brockden Brown's ro-

mance called "Wieland," published in 1798. His other works are "Edgar Huntley," "Arthur Mervyn," "Ormond," "Jane Talbot," besides an immense amount of miscellaneous matter. Brown was of a dreamy, poetic, intensely nervous temperament. His books abound in incident, and are strange and unreal. He had a temperament morbid, perhaps inclined like Poe's to the supernatural. "He delighted to analyze the phenomena of consciousness, and bring nature under mystic or extraordinary results, and mark the consequences." Such agencies as pestilence and somnambulism are the subjects of "Arthur Mervyn" and "Edgar Huntley," and his psychological insight and subtle analysis make him a marked writer of the English tongue,—Godwin, in England, was most like him. He lacked much in artistic grace and unity. If Brockden Brown was the pioneer, to Cooper does the American novel owe its most lasting blessing for the infusion of blood which made it a living thing. Indeed the whole field of American literature owes to him its first recognition abroad. It is unnecessary to remark upon his works or writings. The world read of strange lands and strange men, of the prairie and sea-coast, and came to believe that the aboriginal lands possessed wonders in everything, novelists included.

It is not possible to overdraw the influence and success of Cooper. His style is national and under him became, perhaps, more the American novel than before or since. The third in distinctive traits, is Hawthorne. We admire his artistic grace and his psychological insight. He has almost passed our pathway. The whole world reads the "House of Seven Gables" to-day, and most of those loved friends who saw him laid away under the wreaths of apple-blossoms, are yet alive. He painted characters as Cooper never dreamed of, and combined the acme of artistic grace with the utmost nicety of style and psychological knowledge.

We find these three eras adorned by these three representatives. Cooper is by far the most distinctively American in location. Salem can as well be in England as in America, and the scarlet A as well upon the breast of an erring sister across the sea, but Hawthorne still is linked to our hearts far closer by ties that prevail everywhere and forever. The question is often asked, Have we an American novel? Whether to-day will find among its mass of fiction anything worthy of preservation? It is asserted that the independence of American letters is not yet half achieved. It remains for the great novelist to cease, as the great novelist must, to be a humble imitator, and seek and find and cultivate his own especial field.

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#### THE MYSTERY OF BAROKO AND BOCARDO.

These two gentlemen were college students, yet do not think that these euphonious names, in close proximity, grace the pages of any catalogue. They are merely *nom de plumes*, given as a veil for the real persons, lest the humble chronicler should see the fist of the aforesaid authentic personages in dangerous proximity to his features if undue publicity were given to this dark and direful tale. They entered college at the same time, became shining ornaments of the same secret fraternity, and occupied rooms together. They were, of course, the recipients of Sophomoric visits, and went over the door at very nearly the same time. They studied together, one running the horse while the other cribbed the lesson. They sat side by side in recitations and mutually helped each other out. Together they learned to puff the fragrant cigarette, and together they went on tares. By all this you will understand that the closest ties of friendship bound them together, and had not fate determined to the contrary the names

Baroko and Bocardo might have been synonymous with Damon and Pythias.

At about the same time, each began to cast longing eyes towards the pleasures of society life in that gay college town, and hand in hand they entered upon its fascinating paths. As a prime requisite to success, they saw that it was necessary to learn to dance, and together they practiced the complex movements of the waltz. It is useless to trace carefully their history. Suffice it to say that they both became mashers of the most approved pattern, although not losing their interest in the proper life of the college.

But, my mystery-loving reader, attracted by a title suggestive of dime novel or blood-curdling melodrama may ask, "Where is the mystery?" My dear sir, you must allow me time to conduct you to the climax. As the light of day penetrates a short distance into even the deepest cave, making everything look commonplace and not at all romantic, so are you now only at the brink of the cavern, in the depths of which unknown wonders are lurking.

My heroes, with the politeness of true gentlemen had not in public shown especial attention to any of their lady friends, but had tried to make themselves favorites with all. A winter had passed away and the time "when young men's hearts lightly turn to thoughts of love" had come with all its quickening powers. Both Baroko and Bocardo gaily disported themselves among the fair ones, and while Bocardo continued to be very general in his attentions, Baroko manifested a settled preference.

Hypatia was the daughter of one of the most learned college professors, and held a leading position among the young ladies of the town. Her father had given her this name in hopes that she would equal her noble but unfortunate namesake. In graces of body she did, and if you want a glowing description of her many beauties, I will refer you to

the rich pages of Kingsley, where they are depicted. She was, however, far from showing the serious mind of that one who was the most philosophical of her sex and had a genuine New England girl's love for a good time.

Hypatia was the object of Baroko's desire and *vice versa*. Innumerable were the rides they took, and long walks, or sails on the river, until it was generally understood how matters lay between them. In order, however, not to make too great a topic of conversation among the village gossips, it was agreed that they should see each other only at the remote intervals of alternate days, and so on the evening of these days Baroko started out, regardless of threatening deads on the morrow, certain of meeting his Dulcinea at the appointed place, and of enjoying a long moonlight walk. And on the off evening he was content to remain at home and meditate on past pleasures, or plan future ones. He noticed that on the evening that he was at home his chum was away and came home late. He thought nothing about it, but one evening Bocardo came home wearing in his button-hole a flower strikingly similar to one which Baroko had received from the fingers of his loved one, on the evening before. This naturally awakened some disquieting queries, but there might easily have been more than one rose bush like the one from which he had received the flower, and his room-mate, when asked about it, said, in an apparently straightforward manner, that he had received the favor from a person not the one whom Baroko had suspected. He kept on the watch, however, and, with alarm, noticed that his room-mate was out on every evening on which he was in, and although Hypatia was ever kind, he fancied that she was less affectionate than before.

It was on a day after Baroko had made his customary visit and he was feeling more and more dissatisfied with the way things were going. His chum had been burning on



the glowing coal fire a note he had just received. Baroko chanced to open the stove door and saw on the coals the white ashes, and on them were faint marks as it were, the skeletons of the letters which had been thereon. He saw traced, in a feminine hand, words which he had just time to read before the ashes were all whirled up the chimney. They were: "To-night at nine. Lovingly yours, Hyp." He had seen the evidences of her duplicity, but now they were scattered to the winds, and it was necessary to find additional proof. Baroko resolved to keep dark, which, on the whole, was a wise determination, as well as to keep cool. All day long he evolved plans for exposition and revenge. He remembered the words, "To-night at nine," and resolved that an uninvited guest should be at their meeting. He put on his oldest clothes, took with him a mask which had done good service in the midnight visitations he had participated in during his Sophomore year, and also a dark lantern which had shone surreptitiously on many a turkey hunt, and sought for vengeance. He tracked his unsuspecting chum to the trysting place, where so oft he had been greeted, and soon became sure that his suspicions were in strict accord with the truth. As the guilty pair, oblivious of the danger near, were enjoying a loving *lête-à-lête* (this is to be taken literally), Baroko suddenly flashed the light of his lantern in their faces and they stood astounded and transfigured in its rays. Bocardo made a leap at the unseen interloper, and they rolled together on the turf. Hypatia, womanlike, ran away under cover of the night, and left them to fight it out. After pommeling each other for a time Bocardo found out who his opponent was and besought an armistice. They lay panting in the grass until they were cooled off, and they began negotiations. After talking the matter over, and after acknowledgments and confessions were made on both sides, they concluded that the best thing to do would be to

make up and be friends again, and arm in arm they walked home and agreed to call everything square. Hypatia, however, experienced the just reward of her own fickleness, and was ever afterwards most decidedly left.

EMPIRICUS.

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## COMMUNICATIONS.

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*Editors of Orient :*

It would seem as if some people in this world, and particularly in this college, had no other occupation than that of making miserable the lives of those around them. Such are some of the inhabitants of the South End of Winthrop, who practice from morning to night, and often far into the night, on clarionets and other similar screeching instruments, beating time with feet that would do credit to a plantation negro.

The non-musical men of said end have been patient and long-suffering, hoping against hope that the time would come, when either from lack of wind or muscle the musicians would give them a short season of quiet. But alas for their hopes, wind and muscle still hold out. It may be that musical men have a happy faculty of going through college without study, but all of us are not so fortunate. We must study or write occasionally, and at such times it is not conducive to quick understanding or deep thought to hear your neighbor try in vain and repeatedly to reach the high notes in a new piece of music, gaining new courage at each failure. Or, perhaps, for a little distraction, he adjourns to the front of the building, in company with a few kindred spirits, and for an hour or so throws snow-balls or coal at the hall windows. Of course, this innocent amusement costs nothing, but do they ever think that it makes the buildings look badly, or that the sound of falling glass disturbs any one?

We do not wish to discourage musical

talent or athletic sports, but believe there is a proper time to practice and other ways of exercise for would-be base-ball players than breaking windows. It is strange that some of these men, professed Christians, and men who make it their business to attend to the affairs of others, do not remember and practice that saying of our Lord, "Do unto others as you would be done by." Z.

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*Editors of Orient:*

Probably few are aware of the vast amount of valuable printed matter relating to the recent and remote history of the college, contained within the library. In drawers and closets in various parts of the main room are hundreds of catalogues of the college and medical school, triennials, catalogues of the Alpha Chapter, of the Phi Beta Kappa society, and of the Pencilian and Athenian societies, ranging from 1802 to the present time; also nearly complete files of the *ORIENT* and *Bugle*, which are soon to be bound and placed upon the shelves of the library. Formerly, commencing in 1849, two catalogues of the college were printed each year, one at the beginning of the college year by the students, and the other by the authorities during the spring term. It is noticeable that the book published by the students, called forth by their need of some record of classes, etc., before the appearance of the official catalogue, is much the handsomer of the two. In the year 1858 the students made some additions to their catalogue and published it in newspaper form under the name of the *Bowdoin Bugle*, with two editions each year. In 1867 this was changed to a yearly and was printed in the form which it now, with many improvements, has. In addition to the publications mentioned above, there are in the library a great number of pamphlets containing addresses by distinguished persons before the alumni association, and eulogies of the dead

presidents and professors of Bowdoin, programmes of different exercises, class records and poems, prize essays, printed speeches delivered at the dedications of the newer college buildings, doings of the alumni, etc.—in fact, an inexhaustible mine of information for those to explore who are interested in the history of the college and in the names and deeds of those who have been from time to time connected with it since its foundation. All this printed matter has lately been carefully arranged, and is open to inspection during all library hours. It is hoped that all missing numbers of the publications will soon be procured, as extraordinary endeavors are being made with that end in view. MUZZLE.

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### COLLEGE ITEMS.

The choir went back on us last Sunday morning.

A Senior in his note-book spells *ecstasy* with an *ex*.

A few of the boating men have begun work with the clubs and parallel bars.

A very convenient stand for holding the large catalogues is now used in the library.

It is singular how many cases of severe colds this college can have and yet survive.

Rev. Mr. Rogers, of the Methodist church, preached for the First Parish, last Sunday.

Prof. Wheeler is giving the Sophomore Class a course of lectures on Thursday afternoons.

Last Sunday the evening address was given by Prof. Carmichael, and on the week before by Prof. Smith.

One of the students is getting so far behind time that he was seen taking his breakfast in the church gallery.

The latest is from one of the Freshmen who addresses their class officer in an excuse as "Dear Friend."

The medical school is not so large in numbers as last year. The presence of the festive Medics is none the less palpable, however. We recognize the familiar faces of recent graduates, but they seem out of place among new associates.

Again we have an old complaint about breaking up the reading-room furniture. It is scanty enough as it is.

The *feet* of '82 seem to have a special aversion to following the paths which lead in search of the *absolute*.

A student going about the hall with a lantern, said he was looking for the *honest* man who had borrowed his note-book.

On receiving an envelope with a one cent stamp we are uncertain at this time of year whether it is a valentine or a gas bill.

We observe that a new lock has been placed on the Freshman room. Perhaps Mr. Booker missed too much kindling wood.

That pile of coal which was left out and buried by the big snow-storm, won't trouble its owner much with dust before spring.

Prof. C. made a very good hit when he compared the restless spirit of some members in the class room to that of Aristotle.

German script did not agree with the Juniors' desire for modern languages, so they gave the obnoxious recitation a class cut.

The only way in which the Sophomores can now haze the Freshmen is to go around and drink up their cider in a friendly manner.

The Seniors had an examination on their course in geology, Friday the 17th, and are looking for easy work the remainder of the term.

A Freshie leaned over the counter in a neighboring store and inquired for a valentine that was "comic, kind of sentimental, and cheap."

Prof.—"To what does Aristotle compare the totality of existence?" Student—"To a ladder." Prof.—"Very well. Now you may begin to climb it."

We do not like to praise public characters unduly, but must say that of the parts in "Mother Goose's Melodies, the most naturally taken were "Jack" and the "pig."

Prof. Robinson gave another evening lecture to the Juniors, on Thursday last, particularly illustrating the light bearing properties of phosphorus. A number of students from other classes were present.

Lieut. E. W. Howe, who has been ordered to take charge of the "Bowdoin Military" until July, recently arrived in town. The Lieutenant is a graduate of West Point, and comes more recently from Dakota.

In order to be fashionable you must now be vaccinated and go about tenderly nursing the left arm. One of the boys has adopted the suggestion of a daily paper and pinned to his coat the sign, "Hands off! I've been vaccinated."

While the zoölogy class is left alone a few moments some of its members amuse themselves by filling the Prof.'s overcoat with a suspicious looking bottle, several clam shells, etc. Next day Prof. L. remarks that the gentlemen who left the remains of their *lunch* in his coat could have them on application. The few who did not laugh rather gave themselves away.

In the entertainment of "Mother Goose," etc., given last week, a number of the characters were taken by college boys. The choir furnished the vocal and *comb* music, while the instrumental was supplied by the Freshman Orchestra, assisted by several upper-class men. The affair was a decided success, and well attended both on the first evening and at the matinee.

The portrait of President Woods has been received, and is placed for the present in the "north wing." It was painted during the past year by Frederic P. Vinton, of Boston, from photographs taken in 1860. The portrait is disappointing to some who knew the former President, since it represents him as in comparatively good health rather than as he was last remembered.

The *Cincinnati Commercial* has a letter from a correspondent in Brunswick, Me., giving an account of "down East" life. The town is very pleasantly described, and a sketch of the college relates numerous anecdotes of its history in connection with professors and students. The writer speaks, in closing, of the intimate relations of Dr. Packard to the college from his graduation to the present time.

Scene: Primer geology class, 3333, A.D. Object lesson. Prof.—"What is this which I hold in my hand?" Class—"We are not prepared." Prof.—"It is the tooth of a cat given to the college in the 19th century. How long tails had the cats in that age?" Class—"Seven and one-half feet." Prof.—"Yes, this tooth proves that some were over twenty feet in length. What else may we learn from this?" Class—"That's as far as the lesson went." Prof.—"Well, it also shows that cats could once drink milk. Now, man sometimes drinks milk. Therefore man descended from a cat. You will, without review, be examined to-morrow morning for one hour on the last 4,000 pages of your text-book."

The night was cold, the wind was high,  
The snow was thickly falling,  
When through the depot came a cry  
Heart-rending and appalling;  
And all were wondering whence it came,  
When on the air nocturnal  
More plainly came that doleful cry  
Of "Lewiston Evening Journal."

A youth came pushing through the crowd,  
He heeded naught around him,  
His eyes were fixed on vacancy  
As if a spell had bound him;  
And in them glowed a hidden fire  
Like that of orbs supernal,  
As rushing madly on he shouts,  
"Lewiston Evening Journal."

Now many gazed upon the youth  
And pitied his condition.  
While others thought that he must be  
Some wicked apparition;  
But I have heard that printers have  
A deal with imps infernal,  
And this must be the "devil" of  
The "Lewiston Evening Journal."

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## PERSONAL.

'37.—John L. Cutler is landlord of a cotton plantation and water mill in Quitman, Georgia.

'44.—Henry K. Bradbury is counselor at law in Hollis, Me.

'45.—James H. Deering is a retired merchant, No. 819 Cala Street, San Francisco, Cal.

'51.—Wm. H. Owen is civil engineer at San Antonio, Texas.

'60.—Jacob H. Thompson is journalist in the *New York Times* office, New York.

'61.—Abram Maxwell recently died in Andover, Ohio.

'62.—William E. Dennell is on the *Tribune* staff, N. Y.

'62.—George A. Mark is assistant in the library of Congress, Washington, D. C.

'64.—Thomas H. White is general agent for the Boston Marine Insurance Co., and also for the Shoe and Leather Insurance Co., Boston, Mass.

'64.—Charles A. Robbins is engaged in transportation, Summit, N. J.

'69.—Frederic A. Fogg, 401 East 8th Street, St. Paul, Minn., is a teacher.

'76.—Andrews is clerk to Mayor Blake, San Francisco, Cal.

'76.—Arlo Bates, editor of the *Boston Courier*, has gone on a three months' vacation to Cuba for his health.

'76.—G. T. Prince, of Carlinville, Ill., is chief engineer of the Burlington & Ohio River Railway Company.

'76.—G. B. Merrill is in the office of Welton & Bonnett, city engineers, Waterbury, Conn.

'76.—Perry is at the Yale Theological Seminary, New Haven, Conn.

'76.—W. A. Robiison is principal of the High School at Franklin Falls, N. H.

'76.—Oliver C. Stevens is one of the editors of the *Civil Service Record*.

'76.—Whitcomb is connected with the Duluth & Winnepeg R. R. Co.

'78.—G. W. Phillips, M.D., is practicing medicine in Lewiston. Office at No. 9 Pilsbury Block.

'78.—P. L. Paine, V. C. Wilson, '80, and F. H. Little, '81, passed through town February 9th, on their way to Hallowell to take part in a concert given by the Weber Club, a musical association of Portland.

'79.—Charles F. Johnson was married to Miss Abbie W. Britton of Winslow, December 20, 1881.

'81.—C. L. Baxter was married Wednesday, February 8th, to Miss Carrie I. Dana of Woodford's Corner.

'81.—R. H. Green, a resident here in town, has gone South on a pleasure trip.

'81.—J. G. Manson and Cobb, two law students from Portland, spent Sunday in town.

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## CLIPPINGS.

The Boston boy, with vague fears of the small-pox scourge, translates *Arma virumque cano*, "I sing of arms and the virus."

Lesson in political economy: "Is time money?" "Yes, sir, it is. "Prove it by an illustration." "Well, if you give twenty-five cents to a couple of tramps it is a quarter to two."—*Tablet*.

Conversation overheard in a horse-car: "When you call for beer do you say, 'A glawce of Bawse' or 'A glass of Bawce,' or 'A glass of Bass,' or merely 'A glass of Bass!'" "I say, 'One beer.'"

Two well-dressed ladies were examining a statue of Andromeda, labelled, "Executed in terra-cotta." Says one, "Where is that?" "I am sure I don't know," replied the other, "but I pity the poor girl, wherever it was."

*Recitatione Latina hominorum virtutum.* Prof. —"Well, Mr. B., explain that reference in the next line. What do you know about Euterpe? H. V.—"Nothing, sir, further than that he was a celebrated musician!"—[*Clamose snickerunt omnes.*]—*Harvard Herald*.

The Squire (who married for money, and is beginning to repent)—"What do you think of that new

horse of mine?" His Lady—"Your horse! It was bought with *my* money." The Squire—"Yes, I know, my dear; and (with a sigh) it's not the *only* thing *your* money's bought."

Extract from a recent negro sermon: "Beware, my hearers, how you fall asleep, like that young woman in the third gallery while Paul was preaching and was smashed all to smashes. And they took her up twelve baskets full! And, brethren, whose wife shall she be in the resurrection?"—*Collegiate*.

A Toronto schoolmistress was putting a company of juveniles of the gentler sex through their facings in the spelling-book, and came to the word, "lad," of which, according to custom, she asked the signification. "For courtin' wi," was the prompt reply; and I place the definition on record for the benefit of future lexicographers.—*Varsity*.

Yale's "Golden Treasury" is called "Elm Leaves." The following are among the most beautiful of its many touching verses:

"John Jones, while out walking with Hannah,  
Slipped and fell on a frozen banana,  
And she came down kerslap,  
Right square on his lap,  
In an awkward, embarrassing manner.  
But yet, though she ruined her pannier,  
Hannah seemed rather pleased with the manner,  
For after a while  
She said with a smile,  
'John, let's find another banana.'"

## EDITORS' TABLE.

We have received a copy of *Palette Scrapings*, an illustrated magazine, to be published occasionally by the St. Louis School of Fine Arts of Washington University. It is very artistically gotten up.

The *Coup d'Etat* continues to show the good effects of composition. Its editorials are good, although somewhat lengthy. A writer on college journalism takes an extremely pessimistic view of the subject. We think that a careful observation of the good results of work on a college paper, even although it may often become mere drudgery, will convince him of being mistaken in his conclusions.

We unhesitatingly give to Harvard the head place in college journalism, for it has been able to give to Harvard what no other college has in so high a degree, a certain literary personality. The constant stream of sketches of Harvard life as well as the general tenor of the editorials on Harvard manners, all go to set forth a certain well defined kind of life, which may be called an embodiment of good fellowship. Not only the size of the uni-

versity contributes to make such a thing easy and possible, but the style of life in itself, as being something more than a mere struggle after scholarship, is a powerful aid to success in athletics. With the recent number, the Senior editors of the *Crimson* abandon active work on the paper and give place to their successors. With it comes an index to the volume just completed. In this index are the names of the contributors to the volume. We notice that one, the president of the editorial board, has, besides a presumably good share of editorial work, contributed twenty articles, eight in prose and twelve in verse. Harvard students have to pay a high price for a low quality of coal, and are agitating a combination to secure a reduction of rates. The annual *Crimson* dinner took place Friday, February 17th, at Young's Hotel. The last *Crimson* contains a number of sketches, all good, and one in particular, "Uncle George," very laughable. This is one of the twelve pieces of poetry spoken of above:

### MIGNONETTE.

"Mignonette, Mignonette,  
At her vine-hid lattice set,  
When she bends her dimpled face  
O'er thine own, in youth's fresh grace,  
Breathe my secret to her ear,  
So that she alone may hear.  
Whisper low of love, for yet  
Love is wounded by regret,  
Mignonette, Mignonette,  
Little brown-capt Mignonette,  
Diamanded with dew-drops wet,  
Fann'd by summer's morning air,—  
Fairer she than fairest fair,  
Sweeter she than sweetest sweet.  
Tell her, tell her, Mignonette,  
Love is mighty, time is fleet;  
Love doth ever conquer time;  
Love doth never pass his prime;  
Love doth grieve, if we forget,  
Mignonette, Mignonette.  
Little star-faced Mignonette,  
At her vine-hid lattice set,  
When she bends her dimpled face  
Blushing fair with youth's sweet grace  
O'er thine own,—do not forget  
What I tell thee, Mignonette."

The *Argo* has the second number of its illustrated "Nicotiana," poems by Lowell, Byron, and several miscellaneous pieces are given. "The Parental Theory" is a fair and careful discussion of the methods of discipline as in force in most American colleges. The conclusion is that colleges are behind the times, and that unnecessary and childish restraints are put upon those who are too old to be compelled to submit to such guardianship. The

*Argo's* private highwayman captured a mail bag on St. Valentine's Day and secured a batch of valentines addressed to Smith College, by college journals. The last one found was as follows:

"EPHRAIM TO THE VASSAR MISS.

"A drop of ink is on her lip,  
Left by her gold pen's slender tip,  
When, hunting wildly for a rhyme,  
In deep abstraction all the time,  
She waved it, careless of the drip.

"Were I that rhyme, straight would I slip,  
A partner in her authorship,  
Into the Verse, complete the chime,  
Oh, drop of ink!

"But ink! thy boldness doth outstrip  
All boldness yet. Yet I'll equip  
Myself in boldness, too, for I'm  
Most anxious to avenge thy crime.  
I'll blot out quickly, with my lip,  
That drop of ink."

The *Hamilton Lit.*, in an editorial on that much discussed subject, "College Journalism," says:

"College journalism has been graced with some of the most illustrious names in literature. Poets, orators, statesmen, and historians have been its supporters. Besides Thackeray at Cambridge, Daniel Webster at Dartmouth, Edward Everett, Oliver Wendell Holmes, James Russell Lowell at Harvard, many illustrious men at Yale, Amherst, Williams, and Hamilton first showed the world the power of their genius by their contributions to the college press."

The *Yale News* has the following novel proposition:

"The college world are in search of novelties, and novelties we must have to vary the monotony of the present system of study. The novelty we have to propose is that in the place of one of the ordinary recitations we have an hour's lecture on the matter contained in one of the best New York morning papers, the *Tribune*, for instance. A really good newspaper is the best common educator known, and with a competent man to discuss thoroughly the topics contained in the issue, no better training in the science of government and foreign policy, and in modern and contemporaneous history and literature could possibly be obtained. We shall soon be out in the world, and therefore it is highly important that we have a thorough understanding of its ways and its doings, and this method would, in our opinion, greatly aid us in being fully equipped for the trial to come, beside making us far more practical and independent than we can ever hope to become under the depressing routine we are at present following."

The *Berkeleyan* is a live paper and shows an enterprise which, while it is typical of the West, is very rarely shown by western college papers. It says that the University of California consists,

besides the five buildings at Berkeley, of a department of Law, Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy in San Francisco, and the finest observatory in the world only sixty miles farther. The *Berkeleyan* urges that they be more closely united in spirit.

ELF TO MATTIE.

Dear Mattie,—I'm home from the "Crawford"  
With Aunt. I'd the *lovellest* time!  
Why, no less than three men have offered—  
Well, no matter, I'll tell you next time.  
But the reason I send you this note, dear,  
Is to give you the news about Nell,  
And the desperately flirtatious monsieur  
She mashed with her "*figure si belle*."

He really was very devoted,  
She encouraged him *shockingly*, too,  
They flirted, they "rocked" and they boated.  
(This is strictly, of course, "*entre nous*.")  
He told of the swells, high and mighty,  
"Ton" dinners, receptions, and balls,  
And the fol-di-derol of society,—  
(Which Auntie "vain hollowness" calls).

"Familee" was the chevalier's hobby;  
And Nelly, as usual, a goose,  
Thought he really must be some one nobby,  
So she played with his heart fast and loose.  
But Tommy came down from the city,  
He's my cousin, well known about town,  
(And really, 'twas rather a pity  
That Nell should be so taken down).

But the instant he spied her devoted,  
He whispered, with heartlessness mean,  
"Why that, Nelly dear, is the noted  
Delmonico's *chef-de-cuisine*."  
Give my dear love to Emily Randall,  
But keep a great deal for yourself,  
And, hoping you won't think this scandal,  
I remain,  
Your affectionate,  
ELF.  
—Crimson.

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The so-called scientific studies, formerly treated as a distinct course, are still, for the most part, retained either in the required or elective lists. More place is also given to the Modern Languages than they have hitherto had.

The degree of Bachelor of Arts is given to all who complete the Academic Course.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Longfellow's 75th birthday was not observed by the college further than a congratulatory telegram, and the delivery of a paper by Prof. Packard at Portland. The expression of so much interest was certainly commendable.

The mildly beaming face of Lydia Pinkham is not more self-satisfied and contented in its expression of mild beneficence than the faces of our choir as they look down upon us

and sing. Far be it from us to shatter the conceit that they really do sing. We would not do it if possible. We would far rather picture the rolling melody as it glides in upon us with all its holy influences and quells all unholy passions; how the waves of harmony echo from the vaulted roof and carom on the walls and die in melody from very excess of purity, alas! too soon. We should much prefer this taffy to the truth, sure. It would be foolhardy to criticise. When we consider how widespread has been its influence, how it has sung "The Mermaid" and "King of Cannibal Islands," from Lisbon to Bowdoinham, inclusive, we are compelled to remain silent before recognized talent and say nothing concerning the rumor of a discord that was heard last week. Further, "one should not look a gift horse in the mouth" even though the animal is serene of countenance and gives promise of great worth.

A parchment, bearing the names and winning times of the victorious contestants for the prize cup at the spring regatta, is soon to be placed in the library above the cup. It has been much regretted in the past that no adequate reward in the way of lasting honor has been bestowed upon the winners. By the display of such a record as the above, this fault is of course removed.

We have noticed the statement that Bowdoin, among other colleges, is to be excluded from the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association unless delegates are sent to the next convention. The convention which was held in New York, Feb. 25th, was notable from this resolution chiefly. Many were surprised that

Bowdoin was considered a member, inasmuch as the relations of the college to any such association have been exceedingly weak. The connection has been alive, however, only slumbering. A member of '76 rescued the college from oblivion by winning a walking match some half dozen years ago, but since then, as we know, the burden has become tiresome. We have no possibility of knowing the future action of the college in this matter, but think that at present the loss would not be great to either party, although we are liable at any time to find it desirable to seek an opportunity for the display of some athletic genius.

We have matter of interest for the secretary of the Bowdoin College Chess Club or any member of the college interested in chess. Chess playing by correspondence, the writer assures, is an interesting diversion, and to this end he forwards a prospectus of a Correspondence Chess Tourney which he proposes to inaugurate. We shall be pleased to hand these over to any chess player in college.

This college delays not for the funeral or the christening. Neither Memorial Day nor Washington's Birthday are sufficient to stop it in its mad rush for learning. The rubicon once essayed in the golden-leaved September, it swims serenely on until the further shore is reached amid the thunders of Commencement oratory. We often wonder if the college cares a snap for Washington, or liberty, or the American eagle. It is not evident. What is evident is that it is averse to allowing us legal holidays either from a belief that the holidays devoted to the idea of patriotic veneration for our institutions are of no account, or through fear that our own spirit of veneration is in danger of being worn out by handling. We do not make these remarks with a desire to gain holidays, but because we are convinced

that it is unsafe to disregard our national holidays of thanksgiving for great national blessings in order to save time. The one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Washington's birth should be enough to make any institution lift its head and recognize that it owes something, if not its very existence, to his life work.

The quotation in the communication in our last issue is so admirable a heading for these remarks that we put it as a text, "Do unto others as you would be done by." We would preach a sermon from this text to classes in general upon the behavior of classes in general, were sermons not distasteful, and were it not necessary for a preacher to be more nearly immaculate than his unregenerated hearers. We have in mind, however, to make a few remarks concerning the antics of the Senior class in history of philosophy, and call attention to the text above. No one would doubt that the golden rule is especially applicable to this matter, who should witness the evident discomfort that arises to many from the continual talking aloud, and general ill-behavior of many. This complaint concerning Senior classes is rife in nearly every college to-day. It seems that Senior classes, or certain members of them, everywhere have arrived at the private opinion that the privilege to act ungentlemanly has come to them with the advent of Senior year, and that the grace of their presence in recitation compensates for the discomforts which they do not fail to cause. In this college it is due of course entirely to thoughtlessness. Students forget to sit up, and not talk aloud, and not to throw rubbers, and not stamp continually, but in many instances thoughtlessness is wrong and ought always to be amended. It is this thoughtlessness that has caused so many complaints to be handed to us, and as a remedy for which we quote the above text.

With the first number of the present term we remarked that we should endeavor to present certain modifications in the number and source of our successors, and certainly a proper respect for both our honored predecessors and successors demands a word or two in explanation of the step. Our prime motive is towards the benefit of the ORIENT. Anything short of this would have been highly reprehensible. A brief connection with the duties of a college paper will convince any one that they are highly onerous, and cease to be beneficial when support is lacking. This support must always be lacking,—not from the inefficiency of the board, but from the excess of work,—when the number of editors is as small as is that of the ORIENT. To this end we propose to increase the number of the next board by the addition of three members. Again, Bowdoin is an almost if not entirely isolated example of a college supporting a class paper. At present the ORIENT is ostensibly published by the class of '82, but nothing is more evidently the opinion of the college than that such a plan is not for the best. To meet the hearty support of the students, without which a college paper cannot live, and what is better to be welcomed by every student as touching some interest peculiarly his own, it must present a diversity of interests correspondingly great. To secure this in a limited degree, at least, we desire to elect the three additional editors from the present Sophomore class. *The next board will then consist of seven from the present Junior class assisted by three from the Sophomore class.* We have naturally shrunk from introducing this change because the success of a paper, like everything else, depends in no small degree upon the stability of its constitution, but necessity knows no law. We shall look for articles from the Sophomore class during the following month, and shall announce the board in our last issue. The constitution as revised, with information upon

minor points, we shall be pleased to offer to any desirous. We only hope that the Sophomore class will be pleased to contribute, and that our successors in '83 will consider it as a blessing, that possibly the work of conducting the ORIENT may be made a pleasant pastime, certainly less of a burden.

To the average man, in any station, the ability to speak his mind understandingly is an absolute necessity. This much a college education ought of itself, assuredly, to give. The most of us, however, aspire higher, and would wish that college might give cultivation in the higher branch of oratory. The question is a pertinent one, whether college tends to improvement in this line. We have no further to look than the columns of a certain great daily to find an argument to prove that colleges do not by themselves turn out good speakers, but that their influence tends to give them a bent towards the unnatural and artificial in oratory, and delays rather than hastens the progress of a natural inclination. The coming Senior and Junior Exhibition gives food for reflection. Here, at least, are almost the only opportunities afforded of indulging in oratory. Declamations have nothing of originality about them beyond the mechanical and elocutionary, but here the lucky student has the chance to say something of his own as well as he can.

A hurried rehearsal, and the *debutant* speaks his piece. It is often the sublime oratorical effort of his college life. In many cases it is the song of the dying swan. He will never sing again, in college at least. Now comes the question, is this enough? It is doubtful, and doubly-doubtful for those whose standing precludes the Commencement oration, and whose oratorical endeavors are summed up in one speech. What shall we say then of those, even worse off, who are not chosen at all, whose tickets are still, figuratively, in the hat? Some of them have never

been offered an opportunity. To come to the point, then, ought we not to have more original spoken productions,—more exhibitions if you please? Give every one a chance, and one difficulty is removed. *Apropos* of exhibitions, the thought arises as to style indulged. Here we find the origin of the assertion that college education hinders the progress of natural inclination in oratory. The world recognizes an abnormal growth, known as “college oratory.” Popularly it is something dead to the present classical medieval dealing with “Rome on her seven hills,” and Athens and Sparta, abnormal, if containing original thought, not “college oratory,” if comprehensible in style. There is truth in this, as far as students are of the opinion that it is hurtful to dignity to fail to talk over the heads of the audience and not to prance over the seven hills of Rome and display their historical lore. But is the remedy not easily found by any student who has not sunk his individuality in books, who takes the opportunity of saying what he himself has wrought out by himself in plain simple language on a topic within the limits of his thinking powers?

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### THE SENIOR'S VISION,

ON THE EVE AFTER GEOLOGY EXAMINATION.

In “Mesozoic” times it must have been,  
That such unheard of vision could begin.  
To unknown lands, perchance, I know not where,  
I seemed transported high above in air.  
With quick descent, which caused my hair to stand,  
I found myself once more upon the land.  
I gazed around with wonder at the sight,  
And saw what seemed a river on my right;  
While on my left, as far as eye could reach,  
A boundless ocean with its sandy beach.  
I started forward at a furious rate,  
Since now my curiosity was great,  
To ascertain what land I'd found,  
And thus take in the objects all around.  
While scrambling heedless over rocky gaps  
And “unconformable Triassic” crags,

I, all unconscious, caught my foot and fell  
Across some huge great bones, which I knew well  
Were skeleton remains of reptile life  
Long years before man's mind was rife.  
Some hand-like tracks, by chance, I noticed here,  
And these I followed closely, till quite near  
The river, I beheld, to my surprise,  
A “Labyrinthodon” of monstrous size.  
Outstretched he lay, in length full fifty feet,  
Serenely basking in the midday heat.  
I, stooping, seized a fossil “Trilobite,”  
Which I hurled forth at him with all my might.  
He still seemed quite unmindful of the blow,  
So I seized “Brachiopods” and let those go.  
Just then a splashing from the other shore,  
Perchance suggested that there might be more.  
I quickly turned with sudden glance that way,  
And there beheld some “Rhyncosaurs” at play.  
I started then to search for “Ceratites,”  
“Lamellibranchs,” “Crinoids,” and “Belemnites.”  
Had just picked up some “Ganoid” plates, when,  
hark!

A whirring sound! It suddenly grew dark.  
With terror I was overcome well-nigh.  
A bat-like monster swept across the sky.  
I started up to see what this might be.  
A “Pterosaur” lit on a “Cycad” tree.  
At this the earth sent forth a groaning sound;  
It quaked and trembled, then arose the ground,—  
And here it suddenly occurred to me,  
“Le Conte” is wrong about “Catastrophe.”—  
I looked, and like molasses in its flow,  
The *viscous glaciers regelating* go.  
The “terminal Moraine” was now in view,  
And I beheld a half-thawed “Mammoth” too.  
A sudden noise fell sharply on my ear;  
I turned and saw a “Megatherium” near.  
He, cat-like tried his claws upon a tree,  
Then quickly started in pursuit of me.  
I tried in vain to run. No tongue can tell—  
I started up. It was the chapel bell.

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EDGAR A. POE.

About the year 1840 there appeared, in different American magazines, certain strange, fascinating stories, graceful in style, rich in imagination, and vivid in coloring. They at once attracted attention, were read and re-read, and translated into different languages. Of these “Tales” I could say much if I would,



but at present I shall confine myself to a few words concerning their author,—a man who was not understood while living, is not understood now, and probably never will be. His many enemies far underestimated him, and his few friends, on the other hand, have, perhaps, overestimated him. It may not be an entirely thankless task, therefore, to attempt a brief estimate of his true character as far as is possible.

Poe's intellectual make-up was very peculiar. It was keen and analytic. He plays with mysteries as a child plays with a puzzle. He reasons with the air of an accomplished mathematician. He criticises keenly, though not always fairly. His imagination is weird and fanciful. "He leads us through the vast regions of the obscure and terrible with a fascination sometimes painful." He paints his strange word-pictures so minutely and with such consummate skill as to make them almost seem real, and relieves the sometimes oppressive tension of the mind with that humor, which, bright and keen as a diamond, sparkles in almost all his works.

Poe's poetry has been severely criticised, and with considerable justice. He was not a true poet. He has smoothness of versification and the same wonderful skill in the use of words as everywhere else, but true *feeling* is lacking. We look for it in vain. Once in a while, however, we find here a line, there a verse, in which lies hidden a glimpse of real feeling, a feeble flame of poetic spirit.

But it is not by his poems that Poe must be judged,—it would be unfair to do so. He was not at home in poetry. Much of it was, as he himself tells us, mechanical. His "Tales" are his best works. These differ, however, in excellence. Perhaps the best are: "The Gold Bug," "The Fall of the House of Usher," and the "Murders in the Rue Morgue." The last has a tinge of the horrible about it, but Poe draws attention from that by the ingenuity of the plot. The first is one

of the few which have nothing horrible about them.

As a man Poe is a pitiful sight. His moral sense is very deficient, and moral courage almost entirely wanting. All facts seem to show that he was dissipated, although in a letter written to a friend in 1846 he most solemnly and indignantly denies it. The letter is almost an autobiography in itself. His later works, however, are against him. No man not on the verge of *delirium tremens* could have written "The Black Cat," or the "Masque of the Red Death." They are the fruits of a diseased brain and an excited imagination,—inevitable results of intemperance.

Poe has, perhaps unconsciously, told his own story in verse. All who have read the "Fall of the House of Usher," remember the strange, yet beautiful, little poem which is put into the mouth of Usher. It is, perhaps, one of the most pathetic things he ever wrote. It runs as follows:

In the fairest of our valleys,  
By good angels tenanted,  
Once a fair and stately palace—  
Radiant palace—reared its head.  
In the monarch thought's dominion  
It stood there.  
Never seraph spread a pinion  
Over fabric half so fair.

But evil things, in robes of sorrow,  
Assailed the monarch's high estate;  
(Ah! let us mourn, for never morning  
Shall dawn upon him desolate).  
And round about his home the glory,  
That blushed and bloomed,  
Is but a dim remembered story  
Of the old time entombed.

And travelers now within that valley,  
Through the red little windows, see  
Vast forms that move fantastically  
To a discordant melody;  
While, like a rapid ghastly river  
Through the pale door,  
A hideous throng rush out forever,  
And laugh—but smile no more.

## A VALENTINE.

The influence of sentiment, as a potent force in moulding human events, has met with recognition in all ages. In olden times a spirit of war animated the knight, and chivalry flourished. Another and more interesting form inspired the troubadour, and the lover breathed burning love songs in the midnight air, and dedicated admiring odes to his mistress' eyebrow. The very air was replete with sentiment, and every lover was his own poet. In these prosaic days, although the pulse of humanity beats no less warmly, and to deny the superiority of the subjects were a crime, both opportunity and inclination are lacking to men for such modes of protestation. The art of the rhyme is rarely considered essential to education and the spirit of poetry is strangely stagnant; hence, as a natural recourse, men turn to the valentine. Here the comic poet and sentimental rhymster revel in pleasant brain-created fancies; albeit the pressing need of realizing from these productions forms the strongest incentive and the brightest scenes are the stern realities of an attic room. Through contrast, rather than from association, are the brightest dreams evolved, and to the pen of the starving Bohemian the lover turns for the expression of those sentiments which he so strongly feels but can ill express.

A homily? by no means—observations rambling, and it may be unfitting, suggested by the sight of an old valentine, quaint and curious, embodying the hopes of the lover in the art of the designer, consigned to the changing fortunes of a long war, and then to the lot of all things human, forgetfulness. Now, by chance brought to light, it had returned, a strange guest from the past, a reminder of the early life of the Nation when the struggle for independence was yet unaccomplished, and men's hearts beat high with bright hopes.

The ancient theory that the souls of mor-

tals did not depart with death but took on other shapes of existence, although repulsive in its radical form, has yet in it something pleasantly suggestive. It is pleasing to believe that objects may be so strongly stamped with the spirit of an age or individual, as to possess a personality of its own, and brought into contact with beings of another time, stands apart entirely distinct. So the old valentine, torn and soiled, seemed to possess something strangely pathetic, and while mutely apologizing for its appearance, demanded respect for the memories enshrined within it. A silent participant in many of the shifting scenes of the long struggle began on that bright April morning. Dazzled by the bright noonday sun of the present, its very appearance was a sad commentary upon the story which it told,—short and commonplace enough, but viewed at this distance not without interest.

The postal service in those days was far from perfect, and the changes of the troops and unforeseen movements of the enemy made the fortunes of objects committed to the mail, at best, uncertain. Consigned to the mails, with many fond wishes by its mistress, the valentine went in search of the lover. A member of one of the many roving bands of horsemen, subject to no military rules, that roamed from the swamps and everglades of the South to the pine-clad hills of Northern lands, the soldier moved from place to place, unconscious of the mute messenger that so patiently sought him. At length the mail bag fell into the hands of the enemy, and the course of the valentine was apparently checked. The fortunes of war, however, were not yet exhausted, and the same troops, later, captured the soldier. A kind officer, into whose hands the valentine had fallen, learning his name, placed it in his possession. Freightened with love, after four years the valentine had accomplished its mission. Escaping from confinement, the soldier joined his

company and, engaging in battle, lay dead on the field. Placed nearest his heart, the bullet, which had taken his life, had pierced the valentine, and stained with his life blood, it was left the sole means of identifying his remains. The body was returned to its Northern home and the valentine to the hands of the sender.

### A NIGHT OF HORROR.

Truth is stanger than fiction. If the doubting reader will pursue the thread of this story he will be convinced that the following facts, as related, will cause even the dime literature plots to grow pale.

In the fall of 187—, young S. entered this college as a Freshman. He was a young man of promising ability and, but for the untimely blighting of all his life prospects during his first term in college, might now have been a rising star before the American people. The first few weeks of college life passed quickly and pleasantly, as the Sophomores were held under restraint by the Faculty, who had taken two of their number as hostages. The Freshmen had, however, been informed by the Sophomores that they must stand up at prayers in chapel. S., one morning, ventured to remain seated, and ever after received the blackest looks and many secret threats from the upper classes. Soon after he started a moustache, thinking to present a manly appearance on his return to his mother and sisters. This act elicited several threatening postal cards, written in *blood*, which, on examination, proved to be red ink. Being somewhat timid, he wrote to his father asking advice as to his course of action. A reply soon came in the shape of a shot gun with instructions to shoot the first man who troubled him. The Faculty, also, informed him that he would be justified in self-defense.

Time passed on. One evening he attempted his first cigarette, and, feeling a little

dizzy, retired earlier than usual, with the gun standing by the bed, loaded with powder and rock salt. Probably from the effect of the narcotic, he slept deeply until awakened by a crash of the broken door and blinded by the flash of a "bull's eye." Dragged from bed by a score of masked tyrants, he requested to be allowed to put on more clothes, but was greeted by curses and blows. His gun in the hands of the enemy, he was obliged to submit to being placed on the table. An old fiddle, with most of the strings supplied by twine, was produced, on which he was compelled to play, ending by having it smashed over his head. Next, the obnoxious moustache was removed by means of a jackknife and a piece of soap, while its place was supplied by a full beard of blacking laid on with the shoe brush. Gymnastics were then in order, and our hero tried his skill in climbing the door and crawling through the "tunnel." In fact, every cruelty which his tormentors could devise was practiced upon him. At length, after repeating a dictated speech eulogizing the honor and courage of the Sophomore class, he was thrown on the bed and drenched with a pail of water.

As the maskers departed a sigh escaped him, "I'm glad they are through at last." "You are, eh?" said the rough voice of one listening behind the door, and at the word back trooped the fiends in human form. The unfortunate Freshman was forced upon his knees and commanded to say his prayers. At the remark that he should not be *compelled* to pray for the Sophomore class, some of the crowd were with difficulty restrained from shooting him with his own weapon. The cry of "String him up," arose on all sides. Cord was produced, noosed around his thumbs, passed over the door, and he was thus drawn up till his toes barely touched the floor. In a few moments the agony became intense, but not a murmur escaped the youthful martyr. Presently one of the wretches

heated the poker to redness in the coals. As the glowing metal approached, the victim felt his senses reel. It was applied to his person amid cries of, "That's right," "Roast the Fresh-meat." A sickening odor arose. Slowly the scene faded before him and—he awoke. It was a dream.

Indulgent reader, at this point you may doubt, but continue and be assured of the adage with which we began. It *was* a dream. Not of the Freshman, however, but of the editor of a religious paper, in a neighboring city, who proceeds to write up the account as an *exposé* of the true condition of hazing in Bowdoin College.

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## COMMUNICATION.

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*Editors of Orient :*

There have been published quite recently in all the papers, glowing accounts of the new gymnasium at Harvard, and of the new system of athletic training adopted by Dr. Sargent, which is based on the requirements of each individual. In connection with this, perhaps, it will be well to consider briefly the advance made from the earliest times, in this all-important, though often neglected, branch of our education. Among the first to develop any system in such training were the Lacedaemonians, who established gymnasia and compelled their young men, as well as their young women, to devote a part of their time to athletic pursuits, while some of them were obliged to undergo the most severe tests of strength. A gymnasiarch, or director, presided over each gymnasium, whose duty it was to examine each person, to adapt his exercise to his requirements, and to see that no one was injured by overwork. The Athenians soon adopted gymnastics, and regarded them as one of the three great branches of study. For, said these old philosophers, the

mind and the body must develop together, else the one will reach an abnormal growth and predominate over the other. The principal methods of muscular training were running, wrestling, boxing (either with the coestus or without it), and throwing quoits. These quoits resembled very much the dumbbells of the present day, and were thrown from one to another, who in turn caught them and threw them to the next. Very simple these seem in comparison with our more improved methods of exercise, but there was the same general result, the hardening and strengthening of the muscles.

The Romans also adopted the gymnasia, but they had not that fixity of purpose which the Greeks possessed, exercising for pleasure, and to counteract the effects of their indolent habits, rather than with any definite view to improve themselves physically. After the Roman era athletics fell into a decline, together with other pursuits of this kind, and not until the close of the eighteenth century were they revived by Jahn, an enthusiastic German, who established turnvereins, as they were called, or schools for physical training. Indeed, every physician was obliged to have some knowledge of the best modes of physical development, for they argued that every physical defect led to some disease, and by the judicious exercise of certain parts of the body this disease could be avoided. But the turnvereins existed for a comparatively short time, as they soon became places for the discussion of civil rights, and were suppressed by the emperor, while their founder was thrown into prison. However, their influence remained and, having been transmitted to America by the immigration of the Germans, has given us in every college, and in almost every city, gymnasia, properly fitted up and containing the most approved devices for the thorough training of the body. X.

Stearns, '82, who has been absent at his home on business, returned to college last week.

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

Barton, '84, has returned from teaching.

Midnight suppers at the depot seem to be in fashion just now.

The Sophomores think the Freshmen are too officious in wooding up at prayers.

The attendance of students at church was noticeably better than usual last Sunday.

The first examination in physiology at the Medical School was held last Thursday.

The members of the quintet have given up for the present the proposed entertainment at Richmond.

The bell-ringer needs to *brace*. Several times last week the morning and evening bell was omitted.

During the good sleighing some of the students were driving on the streets some very *tony* turn-outs.

The skating rink is booming among the students just now. It is said to be a great place for a "mash."

The collection of Bowdoin songs has been highly complimented by the publishers of the "Carmina Collegensia."

The Sophomores, in their recitations to Cutler, have been divided into two divisions and have essays every week.

Prof. Packard read a paper before the Historical Society in Portland on the "Reminiscences of Long-fellow's College Days."

A dignified upper-classman was recently mistaken for a Medic by a yagger, who tried to induce him to purchase a cat.

A Freshman says that the morning vesper so disturbs his midnight slumbers that he is obliged to get up before breakfast.

The key-hole in the chapel door was found to be stopped up Sunday morning. The 7 A.M. bell was consequently not to be heard.

The class in history of philosophy, occupying eight hours per week, will now take four hours each in ethics and higher logic.

President Chamberlain informally received members of the second division of the Senior class at his residence on Thursday evening last.

Mr. B. thinks that if the college gives a tutor his room rent and fuel, he ought to be able to prevent the boys from breaking glass in the end windows.

Chandler's concert a fortnight ago was a decided success. The students who attended all speak highly of the entertainment.

Some one has suggested that the compulsory system be applied to our professors to secure their more regular attendance at chapel.

The optional German class now recite to Prof. Johnson in the library from three to four o'clock, after the building is closed for the afternoon.

Came very near, it seems, losing our military instructor, as, through some mistake, he was sent to Orono and the order was only countermanded just before he reached Brunswick.

The rules for admittance to the dissecting room in the Medical School are more strict than last year. Several of the college boys have gained an entrance only to be "fired out."

Prof. Wheeler has the Italian class this winter instead of Professor Johnson. The number of students taking this study is quite small and recitations occur but twice each week.

The chapel choir has an unfair advantage, for beside their extra marks they have a chance to come in when tardy and a good opportunity for study in the gallery. We object.

Prof. Robiusion was severely burned in removing a vessel of blazing paraffine from the laboratory. He has been confined to his house for a fortnight, but is now able to resume his duties.

The appointments for the Senior exhibition are: Salutatory, C. H. Gilman, W. W. Curtis, M. H. Goodwin, J. F. Libby, W. E. Mason, W. A. Moody, W. O. Plimpton, and C. E. Stinchfield.

President Chamberlain, it is said, has accepted the offer of a business situation in Florida, but it is not known, at least publicly, whether he will, for the present, sever his connection with the college.

Snow-balling the doors in the different ends seems to be a favorite pastime with some. It is not over pleasant on suddenly stepping out to receive a blow on the head, and this nuisance ought to be ended.

The first lecture for the benefit of the Musical Association was given last Thursday evening at Dirigo Hall by Dr. Wilder. The second will be by Prof. Wheeler, on the subject, "Reminiscences of Haley."

The Seniors held their first exercise in the practice of parliamentary law last Wednesday. The

question under discussion was that of Chinese immigration and was referred to a committee to report in one week. The class will hold these exercises on each Wednesday.

The old and stale trick of greasing blackboards still survives. The neat and cheerful appearance of the new mathematical room was recently considerably injured by some one who tried to be smart in this manner.

It was with some surprise that the students ascertained the college was to make no public recognition of the birthdays of Washington and Longfellow. On the occasion of the latter, congratulatory telegrams were sent by the Faculty and members of the English Literature class.

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## PERSONAL.

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The following three alumni took part in the Longfellow celebration, held at Portland, week before last: Hon. W. G. Barrows, judge on the supreme bench, class of '39, presided and delivered the opening remarks, which were among the best, on that occasion; Prof. A. S. Packard, class of '16, delivered an interesting account of "Longfellow as a Student and Professor at Bowdoin College"; Hon. George F. Talbot, class of '37, discoursed on "The Genius of Longfellow."

The graduates of the literary department in the Medical School the present term are: W. A. Robinson, '76; F. H. Crocker, '77; C. A. Baker, '78; O. S. C. Davies, '79; R. L. Swett, '80; A. Hitchcock, '81; Carlton Sawyer, '81; J. E. Walker, '81.

'55.—W. L. Putnam has declined his appointment to the supreme bench.

'56.—Rev. R. B. Howard was in town a few days since. He is pastor of a church in New Jersey.

'67.—Stephen C. Horr died at Cumberland Mills in April, 1875. He had formerly been a very successful teacher in Michigan.

'75.—Charles A. Black is teaching Lincoln Academy. He has eighty-five scholars.

'76.—Arlo Bates has arrived safely at Havana, after a fine voyage.

'78.—P. L. Paine has applied for admission to the Cumberland bar, at the April term of the supreme court. He is, at present, taking the place of one of the teachers in the Portland High School, who is absent.

'81.—Pettingill is teaching at Blue Hill.

'81.—W. M. Brown was in town a few days since.

'81.—Smith is in the Mavrick Bank, Boston, Mass.

'81.—Gardner is with John Pray, Sons & Co., wholesale carpet dealers, Boston, Mass.

'82.—E. U. Curtis has gone home for a few days.

'82.—Mansur, who has been teaching at Houlton, has returned.

'82.—Stearns has returned from a few weeks' absence.

'83.—Knapp has returned from teaching.

'83.—Fling has resumed his college duties. He has been teaching in Gray.

'84.—Knight's school, in one of the suburban districts of this town, has closed.

'84.—Kemp has returned to join his class.

'85.—Folsom has again joined his class, after having taught a term of school at Bethel Hill.

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## CLIPPINGS.

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Now, as I don my "dress suit" for the fray,

What subtle perfume stealeth to my brain?

Recalling dim another scene not gay,

Where through the flowers came the music's strain,—

Not gay, but soothingly romantic.

No! Memory plays me false,—I'm off the track;

'Twas at a supper and we'd grown quite merry,

And as I from the board reeled laughing back,

Upon my dress-coat I upset the sherry,

In some wild bacchanalian antic.

—*Lehigh Burr.*

"What did Cæsar die of?" Roman punches.

Prof.—"Gentlemen, this class would proceed better if there were more use of the head and less of the feet."—*Nassau Lit.*

"My daughter," exclaimed a fashionable mother, "is innocence itself. You can't say anything in her presence that will make her blush."—*E.*

Judging from the Monday night's noise, there must have been a free imbibition. Does a certain Sophomore remember that he called out gratefully to a supporting lamp-post as he left it, "Good night! Don't give it away!"—*News.*

Student—"I don't know." Professor—"Oh, yes you do." Student—"Then I know more than I think I do." Professor declares that to be impossible.—*E.*

Prof. in Psychology—"It is no uncommon thing for a man to wake in the morning and find himself unable to move—paralyzed in the night." [Laughter.]—*Record*.

Professor—"Mr. X., can you tell me why the days are longer in summer and shorter in winter?" X. (with alacrity)—"Yes, sir, it's because heat expands and cold contracts."—*Tech*.

"I don't quite like that rendering, Mr. T.," remarked the Professor. "Well, that's what the translation says, Professor. Oh—Ah—Egad! No sir, I meant the notes." The man goes into the second division.—*Argo*.

Classic Slang. Frigidus dies when I get sinistrum. Quinquagesima sestertii all around. Non ad novus, justus—don't be afraid we won't say it, but you must remember that when Latin was spoken, jokes of this kind must have been comparatively new.—*Record*.

Professor—"Has any one seen Mr. H. to-day?" Silence. Professor—"Is he sick? Does any one know?" Chorus of Class—"Yes, sir, yes, sir, he's sick." Ten minutes later, Mr. H. enters just from laboratory, redolent with cigarette fumes. Professor—"Are you better now, Mr. H.?" Sensation.—*Acta*.

Two men discussing the wonders of modern science. Said one: "Look at astronomy, now; men have learned the distances to the stars, and with the spectroscope they have even found out the substances they are made of." "Yes," said the other, "but strangest of all to me is how they found out all their names!"

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## EDITORS' TABLE.

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The *Harvard Herald* shows a good spirit and earnest work, and we hope has come to stay. A recent editorial discusses the present examination system, calls it unsatisfactory, and hopes, that as in other progressive measures Harvard has taken the first start, so in this she will make improvements. The *Herald* says that Prof. Tyler, of the University of Michigan, has allowed his students in English Literature to escape the terrors of an examination on all the work done, by doing some collateral reading as a substitute if preferred.

The *Yale Record* has recently elected a new board of editors. They are thus divided among the

classes: in '83, four members, and '83 Sheffield, one; '84, two, and '84 Sheffield, one; '85, one. It says that "owing to the large number of contributors to the *Record* during the past year and the few places to be filled, the appointment of the new board has been a matter of the greatest difficulty." There is a great amount of sickness in Yale at present, and it is suspected that the sewerage has something to do with it. The Glee Club had a successful and enjoyable trip to Boston. The *Record* and the *Crimson* are at sword's points about the conduct of the Yale students at Oscar Wilde's lectures in New Haven. The *Crimson* said that he was grossly insulted. The *Record* asserts that the statement is "glaringly false and that the conduct of Harvard students in Boston theatres is a constant source of complaint." The following from the *Record* speaks for itself:

If, indeed, there are not more fools than wise men graduated from Yale College this year, it will not be the fault of the present system of instruction—of this fact the Senior class is perfectly convinced and has been since the beginning of the year.

This complaint about the excessive burden put upon the Seniors is so unanimous that its truth cannot be doubted. Such lamentations do not sound well to outsiders and cannot but injure the college. It is our belief that a radical change both in principle and practice must be made if Yale is to hold in the future the high position she has enjoyed in the past.

The Sophomore class at the University of Michigan is to present a Latin play, and rumors of French and Greek plays to be given in the near future are heard. The *Chronicle* has the most complete "Clippings" department of any of our contemporaries.

Over forty-five per cent. of the living male graduates of Monmouth College, one of the multitudinous Illiwois colleges, are in the ministry, and the *College Courier* says of its present Senior class:

Monmouth College has some reputation abroad as a place where preachers are manufactured. The present Senior class will perhaps furnish half its members to this profession. We would not speak irreverently, but we sincerely hope that we shall never be called upon to listen to some of them preach. . . . Year after year we see men leave college and enter the ministry with about as much natural adaptation for the work as has the ordinary blacksmith for the business of watch making.

The following from the *Amherst Student* shows something of the sentiment in regard to the prospective college song book:

The committee appointed to consider the matter of accepting the offer of Mr. Brewer of Chicago to

assign Amherst a place in the new song book he is about to publish, unanimously reported against the scheme for the following reasons: 1st, the time, which is limited to March 10, is too short for the preparation of words and music; 2d, the pledge of forty dollars demanded must be given upon too slight knowledge of what the work is to be; 3d, the leading Eastern colleges, Yale, Harvard, Columbia, and Princeton will probably not accept the offer, though Dartmouth, Brown, Rutgers, and Williams may and doubtless will; Amherst would much prefer to act with the larger colleges; 4th, too little is known about the standing of this firm to submit a matter of so much importance to it.

Amherst has received a bequest of about fifty thousand dollars from the Giles' estate, to be kept as a fund in trust, to use the net income thereof for the procuring of books of the highest merit in science, literature, and history, for the increase of the college library, and for occasional lectures on methods of study and the use of books. "My desire being to aid the students of the college in acquiring exact knowledge, high character, and capacity for self-government. A fund of fifty thousand dollars is also being raised for a gymnasium. One person has already given twenty-five thousand and another five thousand dollars. About a hundred thousand dollars will be received from the Willistow mill property.

A brand of cigars has been named after the *Harvard Daily Herald*.

The *Courant* has the following unkind slur on the sentiments of the *Herald* towards its rival: "The *Harvard Herald's* song—'Answer, Echo, dying, dying.'"

The *Argo* and the *Athenæum* are, at the present time, issued on the same day. The Faculty at Williams gave the students Thursday afternoon as well as Wednesday morning, since Washington's Birthday fell this year on Wednesday. This may be stretching the question of the rights of students to holidays rather far, but the spirit shown is as commendable as it is rare. Williams' peculiar and unique grievance is the lack of a campus, a lack which certainly ought not to be long allowed to be complained of. The return of spring was fittingly celebrated by a negro minstrel performance given by the Junior class on the evening of the 1st of March. Harvard has had a Greek play and it ought to rejoice the heart of every lover of his country, that Williams has given the sanction of scholarship to an art which has arisen, grown, and reached perfection on American soil. The cuts for the proposed paper on "Nicotiana" in the present number of the *Argo* were destroyed by an accident in the

rooms of the Photo-Engraving Company, rendering impossible the publication of the piece. Consequently the space left vacant had to be very hastily filled and we can readily excuse any slight deterioration in the merit of the contents of the number before us. A decree has gone forth at Williams that all students be vaccinated.

We consider the following the best examples of recent college poetry:

#### EASTERN WINDOWS.

We sat beside the casement high  
That opened on the eastern sea.  
Thy thoughts were on the star-lit sky,  
But mine were still on thee.

And as I watched thy fine, brave face,  
I wished my heart were more like thine;  
As full of hope and tender grace,  
As full of light divine.

Thy windows ope on eastern skies,  
Undimmed by sadness or regret.  
Thou see'st fair stars and planets rise,  
But never see'st them set. —*Advocate*.

#### A LITTLE MAID.

A little maiden, out of snow,  
A man is gaily making;  
Beneath her hand his features grow,  
The cool air lends her cheeks a glow,  
To grace the undertaking.

But suddenly she deals a blow,  
The snow man sadly breaking,  
Then hurls him to the ground below;  
Has he some insult offered? No,—  
'Tis but some whim awakening.

Ah! maid! treat'st thou a snow man so,  
I fear that, soon, forsaking  
Real, living men—at whim, much woe  
Thou'll make thy lovers undergo.

"Coquette," they'll cry, hearts aching. —*Argo*.

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## BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

A reorganization of the Course of Instruction has recently been made, in which the distinction between Classical and Scientific Courses is not maintained, but all academic undergraduates are placed on one footing, with the opportunity of following, to a considerable extent, such lines of study as they prefer.

All students entering the College proper, are examined on the same course of preparatory studies. After the second year a liberal range of electives is offered, within which a student may follow his choice to the extent of one-quarter of the whole amount pursued.

The so-called scientific studies, formerly treated as a distinct course, are still, for the most part, retained either in the required or elective lists. More place is also given to the Modern Languages than they have hitherto had.

The degree of Bachelor of Arts is given to all who complete the Academic Course.

The Engineering Department remains as heretofore, and facilities are offered for study of the various branches of this science. The means of theoretical instruction are ample, and the town of Brunswick being one of the principal railroad centres in the State, and in the immediate vicinity of many important public works, affords excellent opportunities for the study of actual structures. The College also enjoys many favors from the United States Coast Survey Office. The admission is the same as to the Academic Department, omitting the Greek, except that a full equivalent in French will be taken, if desired, in the place of Latin.

Those who complete satisfactorily the four years' course in engineering will receive the Degree of Sc. B. Those who complete a two years' course of advanced study will receive the Degree of Civil or Mechanical Engineer. Students not candidates for a degree will be received at any stage for which an examination shall show them to be fitted, and may remain for any desired time. Further information will be furnished on application to Professor G. L. Vose.

#### Terms of Admission to the Academic Course.

Applicants for admission will be examined in the following subjects:

**LATIN.**—Latin Grammar, including Prosody; Writing Latin (35 Lessons in Allen's Latin Composition are recommended as indicating the amount required for examination); Virgil, the Bucolics, Georgics, and six books of the *Æneid*; Cicero, seven Orations; Sallust.

**GREEK.**—Hadley's Greek Grammar; Xenophon's *Anabasis*, four books, and Homer's *Iliad*, two books; Jones's Greek Prose Composition.

**ANCIENT GEOGRAPHY.**

**MATHEMATICS.**—Arithmetic, including Common

and Decimal Fractions, Interest, Square Root and the Metric System; Algebra, through Equations of the Second Degree; Geometry, Books I. and III. of Loomis's *Geometry*.

Real equivalents for any of the foregoing requirements will be accepted. All applicants for admission will be required to produce testimonials of good moral character. The time for examination is the Friday after Commencement and the Friday before the opening of the first term. In exceptional cases applicants may be examined at other times. Candidates for admission to advanced classes will be examined in the studies which such classes have accomplished.

The Faculty are also ready to make arrangements with the Principals of schools and academies having a regular course preparatory for college of at least three years' duration, whereby their pupils may be examined for admission to college at their respective schools, in connection with their own final examinations.

The amount of instruction now offered and possible to be taken in the several principal lines of study is exhibited comparatively, as reduced to one scale, in the following manner. This is, however, only approximate, as the terms are of unequal length:

Latin, eight terms.

Greek, eight terms.

Mathematics, eight terms.

German, four and a half terms.

English (including Anglo-Saxon), and English

Literature, three and a half terms.

French, three terms.

Italian, one term.

Spanish, one term.

Rhetoric (formal), one term. Rhetorical and Forensic exercises, equivalent to two and a half terms.

Natural History studies, five and a half terms.

Physics and Astronomy, four terms.

Chemistry, four terms.

History, Ancient and Modern, two terms.

Political Economy, one and a half terms.

Public Law, two terms.

Mental and Moral Philosophy, including Logic, four terms.

Christian Evidences, one term.

#### Expenses.

The annual expenses are as follows: Tuition, \$75. Room rent (half), average, \$25. Incidentals, \$10. Total regular College charges, \$110.

Board is obtained in town at \$3 to \$4 a week. Other necessary expenses will probably amount to \$40 a year. Students can, however, by forming clubs under good management, very materially lessen the cost of living.

Further information on application to the President.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

We would call attention to the communication in this issue, in regard to boating. Although perhaps premature in its inference that there is an apathy in this sport, it certainly shows a very possible condition of things which would need united effort to improve.

The treasurer of the Base-Ball Association requests the immediate payment of subscriptions. Some two hundred dollars more are

necessary to start the nine, and the most of this can be obtained if all who have subscribed will settle. The nine needs a “brace” decidedly, and it should be the pleasure of all to aid in giving it.

We hope that the rooms in memorial hall which are to be used constantly, and indeed all of them, may be well ventilated. A wail of discontent is going up all over the college world against ill-ventilated recitation rooms. The *Crimson* devotes a column to a reiteration of the stock arguments against poor ventilation, which are woefully true, and we are led to the conclusion that it is better to recite out of doors than to breathe foul air within. It is the duty of every instructor to look after his own health, certainly, and we wonder how many can continue to teach in ill-ventilated rooms and survive.

The college correspondent of the *Portland Globe*, who is presumably an undergraduate, shows so much candor and argumentative ability in the management of his column that we are forced to recognize his merit. It must be remembered, however, that it is not always expedient to carry family grievances or college grievances before the world, and we are of the opinion that devoting such a considerable portion of the *valuable* space of the above named *Portland Globe* to arguments against morning chapel and the chapel choir is injudicious, and we fear uninteresting. The remarkable candor and self-complacency with which the statement is made that the next Senior and Junior exhibitions will not be as good as usual, since the speakers are very poor, is also notable. Take it

all in all it seems that the college is being "sat on" in a quiet way. The liberty of the correspondent to conduct his column as he pleases is undoubted, but we should think that pride for his *Alma Mater* and a desire to make everything in the college appear at its best, would restrain him from the expression of such radical sentiments. The *billingsgate* indulged in against the chapel choir is, at best, disgraceful.

The pure maliciousness of the recent disfiguration of recitation rooms can hardly be too strongly discountenanced or punished. What could induce any sane person to expend so much labor for the sake of committing such a wholly criminal act, especially when it can result in no benefit to any one, is one of the mysteries of our daily life. In the outside world the perpetrator, if discovered, would be likely to be compelled to don a striped suit and for a time, at least, expend his energies in labor for the public, and the difference between the liabilities of college students to such punishment and those of less favored people is certainly fading rapidly from the public mind. In this case, since the cost of repairs is no longer apportioned among the students, the college must directly bear the expense, and from this point of view the act is, if possible, even still more inexcusable.

Sidewalks in Brunswick! "At last," exclaimed many a weary pilgrim, and the sigh of content expanded into a smile and the smile extended throughout the two counties, and Brunswick is figuratively crowned with laurel. What a gem of a town the village of broad streets and shady avenues will be when one can walk in comfort. Add to this a \$40,000 town hall and we have Brunswick *in futuro* as it should be. Many of us have seen the snows of more than one winter meet and mingle in familiarity with Brunswick sand; have beheld the mild and gentle influ-

ence of spring leave the tracery of its handiwork in mud, the inevitable; and have completed the round of the seasons by breathlessly pursuing our several ways through the historic dust of Main Street. We should be derelict in our duty, therefore, did we fail to drop a tear to this only original feature of the town, and sigh with regret as we glance into a future illumined by pictures of a town hall worth \$40,000, and a brick sidewalk, that time did not sufficiently delay our entrances upon the stage of life, or that the light of wisdom had not sooner penetrated the veil that has hitherto enshrouded Brunswick voters.

Examinations and cramming for their preparation are just now pointed out as one of the dangers of modern society. An interested public is prone to doubt the value of examinations when the drain made upon delicate nervous systems is too great in many instances to be repaired. It is not to be wondered at when, throughout the great body of public schools and colleges, we find scholars of all grades and ages undergoing the almost incessant preparations, and worry and labor of difficult examinations, and in many instances emerging incalculably injured. It is this fact and the testimony that the one great evil of the competitive examinations, required by civil service reform, offers, that has directed so much attention to this phase of modern education. The proposal is not to abolish examinations as such, but to present modifications which, in some way, may lessen the amount of cramming in preparations. As to the evil, we quote the following from a recent essay by Professor Huxley: "The educational abomination of desolation of the present day is the stimulation of young people to work at high pressure, by incessant competitive examinations." "The vigor and freshness which should have been stored up for the purposes of the hard struggle for ex-



istence in practical life, have been washed out of them by precocious mental debauchery, by book gluttony and lesson building." The remedy for us is, of course, honest labor every day and less reliance upon spasmodic, and for the most part futile cramming upon the eve of examination. Apart from the fact that one retains but little of such knowledge is this evil of overwork, and while thousands of college students await their own particular ordeals, the individual remedy lies, to a certain extent, within each one's grasp to be used or not.

Mr. Geo. M. Whittaker, a Bowdoin graduate of the class of '71, and one of the projectors and first editors of the *ORIENT*, at the request of some friends of the college, has undertaken to prepare an article on "Bowdoin College in Journalism." He asks for information from or concerning all graduates who are or have been engaged in this profession. We believe that Bowdoin graduates, in the past, have shown more than ordinary bent towards journalism, and that such a work as the one proposed will do honor to the college. The manner of publication will doubtless depend on the amount of material procured. The post-office address of the gentleman is Southbridge, Mass.

With another number we shall be making an exit. We fear that other matters will then preclude the statement of an opinion, strengthened every day and hour of our editorial connection. We have before spoken of the matter of the *ORIENT*'s indulging in an editorial sanctum, and again take the opportunity to reiterate it. There is no possible reason why the college paper, if it is worthy of publication, is not likewise worthy of having a suitable place for a habitation, a place where, among other things, the business can be conducted, where its files can be kept, and where matter can be left for publication.

There are rooms in abundance in college and money enough to furnish such a room, and this college surely can support one such office as well as many of our colleges support two.

It is our candid opinion, therefore, that in this direction certainly a marked improvement can be made in the lessening of inconveniences, and we can see no reason why all such improvements should not be attempted. We hope, therefore, that before the fateful summer day that ushers us as alumni into the world, we may have the pleasure, through the labors of our successors, of glancing over the files of our old friends in the college world, and perchance reclining in an arm-chair in a commodious "*ORIENT* Office." There can be no doubt but that our successors will appreciate this lack, and we sincerely hope, out of justice to themselves, will make a move in this direction.

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#### ALPHEUS SPRING PACKARD.

Who may unawed gaze on thy pensive form,  
 Or see they reverend head bent down in thought  
 Of things not here, thy memory richly fraught  
 With images of days of calm or storm  
 Long past—when hearts now dust beat quick and  
 warm,  
 Or do these crowding shapes still live for thee  
 As real as that of Him thion soon shalt see ?  
 The years be many ere the Touch transform  
 Thy faith to sight to rob us of that voice  
 Whose accents made us, thoughtless, to revere  
 The legacy of Time and to rejoice  
 In hopes that perfect scatter every fear.  
 O aged Prophet of the Better Choice,  
 Pardon the needy who would keep thee here !

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#### "THE HEART OF GREYLOCK."

Within the last ten years, near one of our New England colleges, has appeared, as it were, an almost unknown bit of Alpine scenery. In a secluded spot, shielded by a thick growth of trees, is the ravine, so aptly styled

"The Heart of Greylock." Few have seen this spot and few know its beauty.

From the vale in which nestles the little college town, rise on every hand the slopes of the hill formerly called Saddleback. It remained for some appreciative soul to picture the mountain as an old man and the snowy sides as the hoary head, before it donned its rightful name of "Greylock."

We are at the new camping ground, about a quarter of a mile below the summit. Here on our left is a brook that wells a few rods above us. Looking toward the sunset we see a distant range of hills, and between, a thriving valley. A pasture stretches out before us for a few rods, where it ends in a steep, wooded incline. Crossing the pasture to the right, and following for some distance a foot path, we can get far out on the edge of a prominent cliff. Full five hundred feet beneath us, down a slope that barely gives hold to the small birches, we hear a brook laughing along its course. Up toward the left is seen the grand old mountain standing guard over the graceful foot hills which lean upon him as the vine upon the oak. Opposite us is a wooded buttress reaching toward the right far out into the valley.

A hard scramble downward brings us, at length, to the stream, the main artery of Greylock's heart. From what a pure source must this crystal blood flow! Walled in by dense wood and cliffs on either hand, we wind our solitary way upward, now on this side of the brook, now on that. Intent on the difficulties and beauties of the path, we hardly notice the music of a cascade, as it comes round the edge of a protruding eminence. A slippery stone, a wet foot, a leap upon the bank, and we are free to look around. Here we are, standing on a small tongue of land formed by the meeting of two streams. From the top of the triangle rises a cliff of considerable height, while from either hand a brook, splashing from the cliff, dances along,

till, at the point of the peninsula, beneath the branches of a great birch, they join hands and trip merrily down the ravine. On every part we are surrounded by the sides of the mountain. Here seems to be perfect seclusion, perfect calmness. Here is the beginning of an artery whose pulsations are in the vale below, the very movements of industry and progress. Well named, the Heart of Greylock! Could one possibly come nearer the beauties of nature than in approaching them in such a grand, solitary spot? From the majesty of the scene, one's thoughts cannot but be raised to a higher pitch, to be attuned to the chords struck by Nature. The love of Nature is the elevating power for the mind. Well may "The Heart of Greylock" compare with Hawthorne's "Great Stone Face," as the means of raising some one's life to a higher and nobler field of action.

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#### JOHN LOTHROP MOTLEY.

With this versatile and entertaining historian we have spent many delightful hours. He is the one above all others sure to interest the mind and enchain the fancy of youthful readers. It is always profitable as well as pleasant to us to recall the story of his college career and early manhood; of the disappointments and costly lessons which modified the formation of his receptive mind, and rendered possible those rich fruits of his maturer years that gave him a place in the front rank of historians.

He entered Harvard at the early age of thirteen with a reputation as a linguist already established, especially in the German language. His course while there was characterized by the same wide scope in reading and literary labor which has marked that of the majority of men destined for a brilliant future. He maintained high rank in his class without at all devoting his energies to that object; indeed, that was to him but a subor-

dinate part of his labors. His mind was already teeming with extravagant dreams of ambition in his future career which cannot be better expressed than by himself, speaking through the hero of his first novel, "Morton's Hope": "My ambitions anticipations," says Morton in this story, "were as boundless as they were various and conflicting. There was not a path which leads to glory in which I was not destined to gather laurels. As a warrior, I would conquer and overrun the world; as a statesman, I would reorganize and govern it; as a historian, I would consign it all to immortality; and, in my leisure moments, I would be a great poet and a man of the world."

There can be no doubt but that in this and many other places in this story, Motley portrays his own youthful feelings and aspirations in the conduct of his hero; and from that consideration must spring the main interest in his first work which, from a literary point of view, is certainly crude and commonplace and deserves the full measure of condemnation that it received. One more attempt sufficed to satisfy him that his honors and fame were not to be won in the crowded field of fiction. Yet even in these failures there were many indications of the destiny of their author. Many of the descriptions are remarkable for their vivid and realistic effects. Urged on by the advice of friends, as well as by his own inclination, he soon plunged deeply into the minute examination of that exciting period beginning with the reign of Philip II., of Spain, which he was soon to set forth in such glowing colors. As soon as the first part of this work appeared, under the title of the "Rise of the Dutch Republic," it was received with such universal favor as left no doubt but that its author had found his proper sphere and had attained fame at a single leap. It is difficult to give too high a meed of praise to his historical works. By their entertaining and vivacious style and

simple arrangement they attract and interest a large class of readers that Prescott with all his genius could never touch. As in the case of all writers of history who are not mere annalists, his works savor strongly of his own opinions and beliefs; but these opinions are so generally founded upon exhaustive investigation and sound judgment that there is little room for complaint. Wherever he has erred, it has been on the side of freedom and toleration. In the words of Prescott, whose criticism is in many ways peculiarly valuable: "Far from making his books mere registers of events, he has penetrated deep below the surface and explored the cause of these events. He has carefully studied the physiognomy of the times and given finished portraits of the great men who conducted the march of revolution. Every page is instinct with the love of freedom and with the personal knowledge of the working of free institutions which could alone enable him to do justice to his subject."

Not less worthy of admiration was his private character. Intensely loving the favored few who had won his friendship, his was not a nature to seek a very extended intercourse with the world in general. His life was wrapt up in his narrow circle and his literary labors, and the lamented death of the partner of his joys and sorrows doubtless greatly shortened his life. He was beloved by all who knew him intimately, with that strength of affection inspired only by such natures as his.

Although dying away from his native country, tender and loving hands bore him to his resting place, and among the tributes to his genius none can be more fitting or beautiful than the following, by Bryant:

"Sleep, Motley, with the great of ancient days,  
Who wrote for all the years that yet shall be.  
Sleep with Herodotus whose name and praise  
Have reached the isles of earth's remotest sea.  
Sleep, while defiant of the slow delays

Of time, thy glorious writings speak for thee,  
 And, in the answering heart of millions, raise  
 The generous zeal of Right and Liberty.  
 And should the days o'ertake us, when, at last,  
 The silence that—ere yet a human pen  
 Had traced the slenderest record of the past—  
 Hushed the primal languages of men  
 Upon our English tongue its spell shall cast,  
 Thy memory shall perish only then."

#### THEN AND NOW.

Forty years ago a young man, seated in a hard wooden chair before a plain deal table, his head resting wearily upon his hand, his eyes staring fixedly at a Greek text before him. The fire upon the hearth has gone out; the wind roars down the chimney and rattles through the cracks of the windows, compelling the occupant to button his well-worn coat more closely about him and chafe his benumbed hands, that they may perform the mechanical office of turning over the leaves of a lexicon.

Now and then his eyes, tired of gazing upon the long line of words and letters that seem to push and jostle each other till they are transformed into a disorderly crowd of grinning, mocking faces, turn from his book and looking around he sees nothing but bare walls, devoid of any picture or ornament. He rises from his chair and walks about the room, meeting little to obstruct his progress. One or two rickety chairs set close to the wall as if to prevent their falling in pieces, a single pine wood shelf, covered with a few books, make up the sum total of the furniture. The only signs of ornamentation that can be discovered are the names of former occupants cut upon the doors and wood-work, suggesting a deplorable lack of amusement.

Such a cheerless and dreary prospect has a dismal effect upon the young man and he turns his thoughts inwardly, if by chance there he can find something pleasant and cheerful. His memory, perhaps, goes back

to the pleasant fireside at home and the dear ones gathered round; and now he experiences that awful sensation of loneliness, the sinking of the heart, symptoms of homesickness. But suddenly the thought of the wood pile that must be disposed of before breakfast, or, if he is lucky, he has some work to do about the President's house, breaks in upon his bitter reverie and sends him off to bed shivering with cold and sick at heart.

The foregoing may be a slight exaggeration, but it is not far from describing the situation of many a student in Bowdoin College forty years ago.

Now let us take a glance at a student's room of to-day. The occupant is sitting, or rather reclining, in the easiest of easy chairs before a cheerful coal fire, from whose surface points of flame dart forth and play about. In his hand he holds a Cicero, so attractive in its cover and general make-up that one might take it for a book of poems, were it not for the voluminous notes. Now and then his attention wanders from his book and he glances around the room. Wherever his eye lights, it brightens at the sight of some pretty, tasteful object. The table, covered with a cloth of rich color and pretty design, is littered with books, magazines, and newspapers, containing such food for the mind as will offer a pleasant relief to the regular diet of Greek and Latin. In the corner stands a handsome desk, where those remarkable effusions are produced that are to astonish the world through the columns of that famous periodical which shares its name with a still more famous stove polish. The walls are covered with pictures, Japanese screens, and brackets loaded with *memorabilia*. Everywhere one sees tokens of a mother's or sister's love, in lambrequins, tidies, and pieces of fancy work of every description. Nor do the surroundings appeal to the eye alone; there are easy chairs so soft that they seem to caress the occupant, and lounges ready to re-

ceive the student, weary with study. Indeed, all is comfortable, almost luxurious.

Now let us ask what is the effect upon the mind of the student of surroundings so widely different? At first sight it might appear as if the former were calculated to turn out men of strong character, well fitted to fight their way in the world, and that the student of to-day would graduate a weak, indolent, effeminate boy. And there are many examples to support this view, for the great men of to-day were educated under circumstances almost as severe as those of our young men of forty years ago, while those who have some faith in the future of to-day necessarily are unable to bring forward such examples. But I believe these changes in college life from severity to luxury, if you will, have merely kept pace with the wonderful changes that society has undergone in this country. There was a time in her struggles for existence when she demanded men of muscle, men of physical endurance, who were educated in wielding an ax and swinging a scythe, but now culture and refinement are recognized, if not necessary, at least, as important components of a liberal education. And how are these better obtained than from proper surroundings during this the formative period of our life? People may talk as much as they please about "rough diamonds," yet their main value lies in the cutting and polish. Some would think that too much polish would destroy the innate properties of the stone; but, in our country's time of peril when she called for brave men, who responded more readily, who showed greater courage, or endured greater privations than the "lazy, indolent" students of our colleges, or the "pampered children of wealth," reared in the midst of luxury and indulgence? So let us look upon the young man of the easy chair with lenient eyes, and have faith that, when the time comes, he will throw aside his embroidered smoking sacque and don his armor, ready to do battle with the world.

## COMMUNICATION.

*Editors of Orient:*

The boating outlook for the coming season is indeed a gloomy one. Our oarsmen are not in practice, and if regular work is not soon commenced they will be in no condition to row in the class races next June. Few can bear the thought of giving up these races, but, unless abundant preparation is made for them, they will fall below the standard of previous ones, and so might as well be abandoned.

The Seniors, aside from the necessity of breaking in a new man, labor under the difficulty of training for a race during the last few months of their course, when their time is especially occupied with other matters. It has been said, and experience certainly bears out the statement that Seniors cannot row; still, we have confidently expected that this year would prove the opposite.

The Juniors have likewise to break in a man, and it is not probable that, in so short a time, he can reach the excellency of the one they have lost. Moreover, the sturdy men of '83 are compelled by the neglect of their class to drive through the water a boat laden with a long-standing debt, which of course discourages them.

The Sophomores must add one green hand to their crew, and the Freshman crew will be composed entirely of novices, who will, of course require a vast amount of training to bring them to any degree of perfection in the art. The last named class, indeed, have not yet purchased a boat and the money for that purpose is not being gathered very rapidly.

This is the condition of boating affairs, at present, and it is certainly bad enough. It can be safely said that an immediate awakening is necessary, if we do not wish to concede to our predecessors superiority in this department of college sports. Some have said, how truly remains to be seen, that '81 took with

her, upon graduating, all the base-ball men of the college, and left Bowdoin naked to her enemies in this direction. Shall it appear that she took with her, also, all those interested in boating?

There is no good reason for a decline in this interest. It develops physically, as no other exercise can, those who participate in it, and must be a great source of manly satisfaction to them. It furnishes a most exciting pleasure to all, and were it allowed to languish, a great charm would be taken from our college life. We have a good boat-house with appurtenances adapted for supplying all the needs of boating. The association is out of debt, with a considerable balance in the treasury. Each of the three upper classes owns a boat. There are many to encourage and plenty to ply the oar. We only need a revival of interest.

It is true that the lack of a gymnasium is a great drawback to us, but to it cannot be justly attributed all our apathy in sporting matters. Are we then *lazy* and growing more so? It would seem so. Let us arouse ourselves. We must not for a moment seem to show that we have less energy than those who have gone before us. There are still bone, muscle, and rowing ability in Bowdoin; let us demonstrate it.

MUZZLE.

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## COLLEGE ITEMS.

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A German was held in Dirigo on Wednesday, March 8th.

It is rumored that Jewett was present at a lecture recently.

Recitations in ethics from the text-book were begun last week.

Who is the one that got left at the church door Sunday evening?

Dr. Weeks, of Portland, the successor to Dr. Green, recently performed the operation of lithotripsy with very marked success.

The new board of ORIENT editors will be announced in our next number.

Prof. Campbell possesses a library containing upwards of two thousand volumes.

A Freshman declines to sign his name to an excuse on the ground that he is not of age.

Frescoing will shortly be commenced in memorial, and the windows are expected daily.

With the return of warm weather we are again threatened with rehearsals by the band.

The Bowdoin brand of cigars is the latest. Truly the college is receiving recognition.

The students were more than usually interested in the church choir on Sunday before last.

The Seniors will soon begin a course of United States History, using a text-book by Elliot.

Prof.—“Well, Mr. J., what is the next step?”  
Mr. J.—“You take an empty hollow tube——”

Prof. Campbell again spoke before the students in the Praying Circle room last Sunday evening.

Following are the Juniors appointed for the exhibition: Bascom, Holden, Packard, and Pettengill.

Prof. Robinson has so far recovered from his injuries as to be able to attend to his work in the class room.

Samples for Commencement programmes, etc., are pouring in on the committee in large numbers thus early.

Prof. Ladd, now of Yale, is the author of an important work just published on “Principles of Church Polity.”

About this time the beautiful system of grading our walks will be put into operation, and the ash heap will prevail.

Stevens, who built the '81 class boat, will shortly remove from Bath to Lowell, where he will engage in boat building.

The unpleasant odor in the vicinity of the medical building during the warm days of last week was delightfully suggestive.

There is an article in the October number of the *American Antiquarian* by Prof. Avery, on “Polyandry in India and Thibet.”

On Friday morning the seats in a number of the recitation rooms were found to be decorated with fresh black paint. Several of the classes gained an *adjourn*, others occupied chairs or retreated to some room not favored by the midnight artists.

The Easter souvenir from Fernald is something neat, yet unpleasantly suggestive of our desires and our inability to gratify them.

The chapel choir formally resigned on Tuesday morning and posted a call for a meeting of the students to select other singers.

J. W. Kelly, of Babb, has been trying to introduce a telephone system into the college to be in connection with this town and others.

A number were unable to gain admittance to the rooms of the Praying Circle on Sunday evening,—certainly an unusual circumstance.

The third and fourth divisions of the Senior class were informally entertained at the house of President Chamberlain during the past week.

The remark of a Sophomore reciting on Bacon's essay, "Youth and Old Age," to the effect that "a young man should not embrace more than he can hold," was well appreciated by the class.

The directors have decided to replace the walk and float at the boat-house by more efficient and substantial ones. The inconvenience experienced at high tide renders such action advisable.

The announcement that Brunswick is to have a new sidewalk is startling and decidedly novel. The rumor that the street at the north end of the grounds will be graded will hardly bear investigation.

Aside from the two lower classes but little work is being done in the temporary gymnasium. The Sophomores especially are in earnest, and the effects of this work will doubtless be apparent on the river.

Mr. Reed has been selected to take the pictures of the Senior class, and it is thought all will have sat by the end of the term. The sittings have already begun, and the work done thus far has proven excellent.

A scroll, with the names of the winners of the champion cup, has been framed and placed in the library. It would seem that a more suitable location might be found for the cup than it now occupies, so easily liable to damage as it is.

A communication recently received from the secretary of the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association states that Bowdoin, unless represented at the annual meeting in May, will be dropped from the rolls. We might consider our fate sealed.

Prof. Lee delivered a lecture on the "Depths of the Sea," for the Musical Association, on Thursday,

March 16th. The lecture is of an unusually interesting and instructive character, and on a subject with which the lecturer is thoroughly conversant.

With the return of the captain to college, attention is being turned towards base-ball, and it is hoped that some action will be taken in this branch as soon as practicable. It is noted that a year since the nine were in daily practice on the delta.

The gentlemen who assumed the responsibility of caring for the room in South Winthrop, used for a gymnasium, and on whom must fall all expenses incurred by its use, certainly expected consideration at the hands of others frequenting it. A sense of decency, if no other motive, ought to have restrained those who felt impelled to inflict damages on the premises.

A letter was recently received from Wesleyan asking information as to the condition of boating at Bowdoin, and as to the prospect of arranging a four-oared race. A communication from a person well acquainted with the subject states that a race could undoubtedly be arranged with Wesleyan and at little expense to either, if rowed at Lake George. The letter from Wesleyan suggests a return to the old course at Springfield, however.

A meeting of the students in general was held Tuesday noon to consider the matter of chapel singing. The resignation of the present choir was accepted and a vote of thanks extended to them. A committee consisting of Gilman, McCarthy, E. V. Curtis, '82, Hutchius, Pettingill, '83, Clark, '84, and Butler, '85, was appointed to choose a new choir. The committee is to be permanent and report within one week to a meeting of the college.

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## PERSONAL.

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'37.—Hon. Albert R. Hatch died of consumption at his home in Portsmouth, N. H., a few days since. He was admitted to the bar to practice law in 1841. He was a member of the Legislature in 1847-8 and 1873-4-5-6, being Speaker in '74. He was solicitor of Rockingham County from 1848 to 1856, and clerk of the United States Court for twenty-five consecutive years. He was also Democratic candidate for Presidential Elector in 1864, member of the Democratic National Convention at New York in 1863, and had been Grand Commander of the New Hampshire Grand Commandery of Masons.

He was also a Director of the Portsmouth and Dover Railroad, also of the Portsmouth Bridge Company, and Athenæum. He was an earnest and active Episcopalian.

'42.—Thomas Tash, Superintendent of Schools in Portland, delivered a lecture on "The Metric System" in the Mechanics' Course in that city, on the evening of March 15th.

'50.—Gen. O. O. Howard, who at first declined, has since been prevailed upon by Senator Frye to accept the invitation to deliver the memorial oration at the dedication of the Auburn soldiers' monument on the 30th of May next. Senator Frye and Congressman Dingley will be invited to be present.

'55.—Charles H. Foster, leading editorial writer of the *Philadelphia Record*, died last week of pneumonia, after an illness of less than a week. He was born at Orono, studied law with ex-Gov. Israel Washburn, and soon after his admission to the bar removed to North Carolina. Here he practiced his profession until during the war when he recruited a loyal North Carolina regiment, of which he was Lieutenant Colonel. For the past two years he has been connected with the *Philadelphia Record*. His brother is Hon. B. B. Foster, Assistant United States District Attorney in New York City.

'60.—Hon. W. W. Thomas, Jr., of Portland, delivered his lecture on "A Ramble Through Norway" at Concert Hall, Norway, on the evening of March 10th, for the benefit of the High School.

'63.—Rev. Newman Smyth, D.D., has been elected, subject to the approval of the Board of Visitors, to the chair of Christian Theology at Andover, to take Prof. Park's place. He is a brother of Prof. Egbert C. Smyth, D.D., of Andover. He is at present the pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Quincy, Ill.

'77.—D. B. Fuller was married March 8th to Miss Clara A. Wilson, of Orono, daughter of Hon. N. Wilson. Prof. J. S. Sewall, of the Bangor Seminary, performed the marriage ceremony. Mr. Fuller and his bride are going to Kansas to live. For two or three years past Mr. Fuller has been principal of Greeley Institute, Cumberland, but is now of the law firm of Clogstan & Fuller, Eureka, Kan.

'80.—V. C. Wilson was in town a few days since.

'81.—F. L. Johnson is a private in the Signal Corps of the Army under instruction at Fort Myer, Va.

'81.—J. W. Wilson, F. H. Little, and E. H. Chamberlain have visited the college of late.

'81.—G. F. Manson has been elected ward clerk in Ward 2, at Bath.

'82.—Belcher has returned to join his class.

'83.—Wiinter has returned from teaching.

## CLIPPINGS.

Solomon prophesied well,  
And Moses, he was meek;  
But the foot-ball eleven  
Can never reach heaven  
Unless they get there on their cbeek.

—*Dartmouth.*

"Put no fulsome compliments on my tombstone," said a wag. "Don't give me any epi-taffy."  
—*Ec.*

"Yes," said a pompous graduate to a Freshman and country cousin, "electricity was thought a wonderful thing in my days. Now they seem to make light of it."—*Ec.*

Professor—"Mr. S.—, you may go to the board." "Not prepared, sir." "Mr. S.—, are you ever prepared?" "Always, professor." "To do what?" "To flunk in the most finished manner."—*Spectator.*

Prof.—"You have all noticed that when a vessel filled with water is subjected to great pressure a *dew* forms upon the outside. This is *due*, etc." After a little excusable mirth the division goes quietly to sleep again.—*Record.*

Laws and customs have not changed much in a hundred years after all. In 1765 the English Parliament forbade the celebrating of marriages in America without stamps. Now the laws of society as effectually prevent it.—*Record.*

Young lady (whose parent has refused to give her a new bonnet)—"Pa, do you know how you differ from a Pullman car?" "Parent—" "How, my dear?" "Young lady—" "Well, one is a palace car, whereas you are a callous Pa, so there now." When the old gentleman recovered he gave her the bonnet.—*Spectator.*

Yes, dear, it was a most delightful party, you know, and we had real English mistletoe, and it was just too awfully sweet for anything. I happened to be under it with Charley, and he looked into my face and said: he lived, you know, dear, in London for a long time—"Don't you love the old English customs?" and if you believe me, I didn't know what I was saying, and I said "Yes." And then—oh, well, there wasn't anybody looking, and where was the harm; it was only Charley.—*Ec.*



NO ! INDEED.

No! indeed, of all the wine  
Which he ordered up that day,  
Not a bottle did he pay,  
Though *he* asked me out to dine.  
Yet he said the fault was mine  
When he knocked down the *buffet*—  
No! indeed.

And 'twas he who stole that sign,  
He who smashed those lamps. Then pray,  
Ought he to have run away,  
Leaving me to pay the fine?

No! indeed.—*Argo.*

## EDITORS' TABLE.

With the present issue the editors of the *Yale Record* throw aside the editorial pen and yield to their recently elected successors. The valedictory, with which this number is introduced, breathes a good-humored spirit and expresses good will towards all. The following editorial speaks for itself:

"We are sorry to be compelled to say, on this last opportunity we shall have of speaking for the Senior class, that their work since last September has been a constant source of regret and an almost unqualified disappointment. . . . Of course, we cannot believe that our instructors have endeavored to make our year unpleasant for us; and in this connection we wish to acknowledge the kindness of Prof. Ladd, who has always been ready to listen to us and to ease our burdens as far as he could consistently with his ideas of duty. But we do think that our instructors, as a rule, have cared very little about the satisfaction and the progress of the class—that they have followed a general rule with little regard to its application to our particular case. However, our work is almost over, and it behooves us to forget its annoyances and discomforts and remember only its pleasures, however small they may be."

The *Record* says that in accordance with an editorial in a previous number, fire-escapes have been provided for the college building. A Sophomore La Crosse Club has been formed and it is understood the Freshmen are to form one also.

"The crew have been rowing regularly for some time, and the nine will soon get into the open air. In boating our prospects seem very fair, much better than they did earlier in the year. Careful training and good coaching will do much toward giving the crew for another year the proud position it has occupied since '80. The loss of several of our heavy hitters has rendered our position in the struggle for the base-ball championship somewhat more dubious, but there are plenty of candidates for the vacant places."

The *Courant* also has a change of editors. It says: "With this issue we, '82 *Courant* editors, doff our battered old thinking caps and bow ourselves off the journalistic stage." This number has a six-page supplement, giving an account of "A Madrid Bull Fight," from the French of the elder Dumas. The piece has never before been printed in an English translation. It is remarkably vivid and exciting. This little piece of poetry is the best thing in the *Courant*:

BETWEEN THE ACTS.

Beg pardon, sir, a match?

Why, Will, old boy, and so we meet again.

By Jove, this is a catch.

Two years and more have idly passed since when  
Among the classic groves we chumming dallied,  
Then forth to unknown fortune gaily sallied.

The play quite good? Well, fair.

But I confess that I've been rather dreaming—  
Building castles in the air—

Of those brown eyes beside you foully beaming.  
But, come, of course you will present me to *ma belle!*  
A crush is mine or else the best at Del—

Your wife? The deuce you say!

Excuse me, Will, but then how should I know?

No word from you, away.

How'er a way from this my difficulty show,  
For, the Olympian Zeus I now invoke,  
My dreams, as this cigar, depart in smoke. H. L. D.

At Amherst the decision to send no songs for the proposed College Song Book has been reconsidered, it being shown:

"First.—The time for the preparation of words and music, which was at first limited to March 10th, has been extended to April 1st, with a possibility of a still further extension if necessary. Second.—The pledge of forty dollars will not be required until the work is assured of being a success. Third.—The leading colleges which in the last report were mentioned as not likely to enter into the scheme have finally concluded to engage in the project. Fourth.—All doubt has been removed as to the ability of the publisher to carry his part of the plan to a successful consummation. Mr. Brewer, although a young man, is vouched for by the leading business and musical men of Chicago as possessed of abundant capacity to carry out his scheme. Moreover, to remove all possible uncertainty, Ginn, Heath & Co., of Boston, offer to undertake the matter, if the Chicago firm fail to accomplish the enterprise."

At Brown a number of songs have been written and several of them set to music. The University of Wisconsin, according to the *Badger*, will not be represented in the Song Book, as its students have been too indolent to write. The *Badger* takes the opportunity to moralize on the lamentable lack of college spirit shown there, and says, "In all important matters of college life we stand on a par with

the best, but in the little odds and ends that distinguish college life from other periods we are woefully lacking."

President Angell, of the University of Michigan, arrived home from his Chinese mission, on the 25th of February, and was received with a hearty welcome by his friends in Ann Arbor. A crowd, estimated at two thousand, and students met him at the station and escorted him to his home. In the evening a reception was held in University Hall, and speeches were made by Dr. Frieze, who has been acting president during Dr. Angell's absence, and by others. President Angell replied, referring to the state of the University and to the prominent events of his mission. The President has been absent nearly two years and the *Chronicle* is able to point out a satisfactory advance in the standing of the university:

"To sum all up we have more buildings and better appliances, more students, higher and broader instruction, and more of it, and better than all, we work more independently, more earnestly, and more thoroughly. We venture to say that while some institutions of learning have in the past few years made greater additions to their funds and facilities of instruction, none can show greater progress in the true educational spirit than can this university."

We notice that the *Oberlin Review* has changed its printer and is now readable, at least its typography is not a hindrance to perusing it. The *Berkeleyan* also has improved its appearance by a cover.

Probably deeming that the day was far distant when Yale would be able to issue a comic paper, the *News* has made a new departure and with each Wednesday's issue publishes a supplement devoted to comicalities. We do not doubt but that the plan will succeed. The following is the initial poem in the new venture:

THE RADIATOR—A PARODY.

Hear the radiator's knells,  
Iron knells.  
What a period of misery its turbulence foretells.  
In my troubled brain to-night  
They dark expletives excite,  
While the spirits of the steam  
Strive to speak, but only scream  
    Out their woe.  
Sounds such as Vulcan's forges,  
Or the quivering mount disgorges,  
When the tortured cyclops roar  
    In despair.  
Now the clamor rises higher  
In their eager, mad desire  
    To be free.  
How they jangle, clash and pound,  
What horrors yet resound

On the bosom of the palpitating air,  
Yet my throbbing senses know  
    By the twanging  
    And the clanging  
How the spasms come and go.  
Now to my distorted fancy  
Ancient tales of peermancy  
    Seem but true.  
And in fright I hear a sound,  
Like some fettered demons clanking  
    In their chains,  
Till outwearied by their moanings  
I forget their ceaseless groanings  
Mid the goblins and the horrors  
    Of a dream.—*News*.

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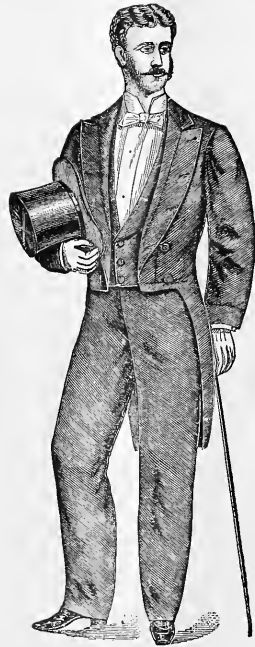
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The next editorial board of the ORIENT will be made up as follows:

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To these men we are assured that we can confidently commit the destinies of the ORIENT. We bespeak for them the aid, indulgence, and hearty support of the readers of this paper and of all who are interested in its progress, and sincerely hope that good fortune may be an attendant upon all their undertakings.

Quite a number of subscriptions for the present volume remain unpaid. All who are indebted will confer a favor by sending amounts at once. Remittances for the present board should be sent hereafter to C. H. Gilman, box 1194, Brunswick, Me.

Whether mistaken for *Argo* editors or not, we do not know, but we have, nevertheless, been favored. The nicotian weed has been passed into our sanctum by the enterprising manager of the new brand, "Bowdoin College." We regret our inability to speak directly or upon our own authority, but we have generously distributed the above and are pleased to learn that we can recommend them. It of course gives us great pleasure to help out the good name of the college in this crisis.

During the past fortnight our most distinguished alumnus has finished his earthly labors. It ill becomes us to attempt to add anything to the many words of sincere sorrow from the people, the pulpits and the press. We have only to say that it seems eminently appropriate that this college should set apart some day as a recognition of Longfellow's connection with this college as a student and a teacher, and as a mark of its approbation

toward a model life. We are sure that this apathy has been the subject of no little comment.

The choir, under its re-arrangement and new management is proving very acceptable. A more judicious blending of voices, perhaps, or something equally efficacious has made morning singing more agreeable. Although not musical critics, as the choir decidedly declares that the ORIENT is not, we feel justified in making the above assertion. We are very pleased that so little trouble arose from the resignation of the old, and choice of a new choir, and can but feel assured that the tender of the vote of thanks to the late choir was too slight a recognition of its labors to introduce singing.

The additions to the collection of casts in the north wing of the chapel made during the last week were quite extensive. The first casts came about a year ago and already this section of the chapel building has become one of the pleasantest and certainly most appreciated among the possessions of the college. It certainly is not out of the limits of possibility to hope that such acquisitions may form the nucleus of a superior art collection, and if such proves the case the college will owe it almost entirely to the endeavors of Prof. Johnson, the prime mover, if not the originator of the design. It is needless to remark upon the means for artistic improvement which these casts offer, or their possibilities as educators. The alumni we hope will continue to be impressed with the belief that true education comes in no small degree by association with the beautiful.

Colleges are the most desolate places in the world in which to undergo sickness. There are practically no advantages in the way of obtaining food or assistance, and no means of quiet or rest afforded. The

utmost endeavors should therefore be made to provide against sickness in the way of observing cleanliness in the care of buildings and surroundings. At this season, especially, the campus near the dormitories should undergo a most systematic cleaning, and the mystery of various odors, especially noticeable in the vicinity of Appleton, should be thoroughly investigated. It is certainly a desideratum of this college, as of many others, that we should have every care taken for the preservation of health, by a rigid examination of what air the students breathe and what water they drink. We have no intention, however, of causing the belief that sickness is prevalent in college, or has been.

The fall from the heights of notoriety to the commonplace is something severe, yet time with its swiftly revolving wheels has brought us to it. We are confident, however, that we have worked ourselves up to the conventional mood wherein the valedictorian feels called upon complacently to review his career and, perchance, describe his peculiar mixture of delight and despair familiarly known as sorrow and, finally, after the ordinary manner of farewells, sadly "go out sighing." This much would deter us from an elaborate farewell, yet, as we stand in the doorway of our figurative ORIENT office, quite ready and willing to move our furniture, we feel that we ought not to leave forever without a word or two, honest, even if conventional. We should surely be ungrateful if we failed to thank our faculty, alumni, students, and friends who have given us their aid, subscriptions, and advice. We are sure that they were never more plentiful. With regard to our endeavors, it is quite too late to enlarge. We have fondly hoped and still hope that the result of our labor has made them apparent, but if not, it is quite too late to harrow our indulgent readers with their recital. It is not complacently, by any means, that we review

our career. In our present enlarged editorial insights we are grieved at our shortcomings and honestly hope for our successors more of the needed, clearer light than was given to us. We are glad, however, that bliss has had an abiding place in our sauctum and, finally, that we can congratulate ourselves that we have been permitted to labor steadfastly for the college and its interests, as the ORIENT ever has done and, let us hope, ever will do. For all this greatness we sadly drop a tear as we consider that, with this number, we evaporate from the journalistic world. "Farewell, and forever, farewell. If we do meet again we shall smile; if not, why, then, this parting was well made."

It is nearly time for the election of the officers of the Athletic Association, this event usually occurring at the beginning of the spring term. In view of this event it is worth while to drop a suggestion that care be taken in this election and the interests of this department be sustained. It is indeed a matter of regret that the college can make, or will make, no endeavors to sustain its connection with the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association, —a connection highly honorable in the past, and which once broken cannot easily, if indeed ever, be repaired. A judicious election and the presence in college of a live athlete, would make things move in every branch of athletics, but the continuance of the idea that a week or two of spasmodic effort attended by the discontinuance of smoking and various habits for an even shorter period make up the sum total of training, is ridiculous. Field day at Topsham cannot be a first-class affair unless it is made a matter of personal pride to every member of the association, and unless a generous rivalry step in in the place of the present idea that every race is a foregone conclusion as soon as the entries are made.

During our brief term of office many

events worthy of recapitulation have occurred. It is safe to say that on the whole the college has prospered. Although no decided addition to the fund of the college endowments has been publicly made, yet the college has seen the practical completion of Memorial Hall,—an edifice whose unfinished proportions have long been an eye-sore to every one,—and has made a decided advance in its capabilities of giving instruction. The curriculum, which gives Senior and Junior classes electives in sufficient numbers to suit the most exacting, and which provides improved instruction in specialties, is now an assured and established thing. This much for the college. The students have come and gone, much as usual. The mild June days merged into the sultry days of mid-summer, and then the hosts came and the band played and the tin dippers rattled and the venerated class of '81 passed our portals. The event of the year came with the new college year. A year ago the class of '85 was, let us believe, gamboling upon its native hillsides. With its advent came the advent of the great "unsalted," and wayward spirits rose and the busy wheels of the faculty grind turned out seven famous "culprits," who to-day stand at the bar of their country, demanding justice. Since then peace and quiet have reigned within our tabernacles. We are willing to believe that this was the death struggle of hazing, and, if so, should consider the year a glorious one indeed in the annals of the college. In the sporting world we have not been entirely left. The Bowdoin Base-Ball Nine dashed forth like a meteor and went out like one, quite satisfactorily to every one, the college included. Take it all in all, base-ball was at its highest for years. In athletics the college maintained its brilliant reputation. Fully a hundred people saw the field sports at Topsham and were pleased, no doubt, and foot-ball has been elevated to an enviable position in our sports by the lucid game

between '82 and '83, and the remarkable knowledge and avidity with which the Freshmen took up the sport. Boating has been and is, as ever, the prime sport of Bowdoin. We are sure that this sport was never more thoroughly conducted, and that the college was never in a better condition to row in the college rowing world than during the season just passed. It is needless to express again our hopes for the future. As for La Crosse, cricket, tennis, these are practically unknown. Take it all in all, sports have not languished. In college journalism the year has not been remarkably eventful. The faculty have issued a catalogue of the alumni and are, at present, distributing it, and the literary event of the year, the advent of the *Bugle*, occurred at about its usual time and was as welcome as ever. Really we have been under a propitious star.

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#### DRIVEN TO DEATH.

Stretched on a settee in a corner of the gentlemen's waiting-room, nearest the stove, lay an old man. His head rested on a ragged carpet-bag and he was asleep. The deep lines about his mouth were like valleys gouged out by the glacier. The sparse gray hairs growing upon his wrinkled chin were like scattered bushes, and the rivulets of tobacco juice that trickled down the furrows completed the simile. I paused and looked with pity on this aged veteran who had evidently had a hard fight with the world and been badly worsted. As he slept a ghost of a smile seemed to cross his features and I doubted not he was dreaming of the happy times of his youth. At length he stirred and slowly opened his eyes, but with a stealthy glance as of a man who feared to meet the world. As he saw the look of pity on my countenance and that no one else was nigh,

his features relaxed and he asked me in a meek voice where he was.

Hardly had the word Brunswick left my lips, ere he started up, the hunted look came back to his face and he attempted to flee. He was unable to do so, however, and sank back on to the bench, still resting his head on the carpet-bag. "Brunswick," said he, "Brunswick! Remorse, remorse! Stranger, wouldst hear my story for I feel the icy finger of death upon me and would not bear my terrible secret to the grave?" I gave my assent and he continued in a cracked voice, frequently losing his breath and stopping from inability to continue.

"This Brunswick which I have not set eyes on before for these fifty years is my native place, and here, as a tow-headed boy, I laughed and played, not dreaming of the terrible future that was to be mine. The favorite haunt of my boyhood was around the buildings of the college that cluster on the broad plain above, but near the town. Perchance you have seen them." I told him that, being a student, I chanced to see them quite frequently. "Then you will understand my story," said he and continued. "I loved to lie under the spreading elms, out of the reach of pails of water from the dormitory windows, and watch the industrious ants crawling at my feet and the birds flying overhead; loved it far better than sitting at a desk in the close school-room, for I thought that, by a personal contact with the students from my early years, I should become proficient in their style of *esprit* (you see, I have picked up a little French in my wanderings), and should get a more natural and independent culture than the mere student of books. My life passed pleasantly in the varied routine of doing little services for the students and improving my mind and manners. I had speedily learned to smoke and became a *connoisseur* on cigar stubs, and my patrons had taught me various pet phrases whose utterance on the

street brought stern reproofs from narrow-minded people who had not the breadth of view of the educated."

He sank back exhausted, evidently reluctant to disclose more. I waited patiently and he proceeded, wiping a tear from his wrinkled eyelids and leaving a black mark from his grimy hand in its place. "Do not wonder that I weep at the recollection of those happy, innocent times when I bore water and cleansed spittoons with no thought or anxiety for the morrow, for now the scene changes and I disclose to you the crime which has cast its blackening stain upon my whole life. I had been insulted. As I look at it now, the cause may seem slight but, at the time, the hot blood of youth boiled in my veins at the affront offered me. I was offered liberal pay to bring a pail of water. I carried it up three flights of stairs, received the pay for it and started gaily clattering down-stairs with my thick boots, thinking of the much-wished-for plug I could now procure. It was the coldest day in winter, I might say," and here a twinkle in the old man's eye showed that he essayed a joke, "it was the coldest day I ever saw. The detestable wretch, for whom I had brought the water, poured it upon me from the window. It congealed on the way and a block of ice struck me, crushing me to the earth. When I came to, the word, 'revenge,' which had stuck in my throat when I fainted, spontaneously issued from my lips. That word was henceforth my motto. I knew the perpetrator of the deed, and only waited for the most favorable opportunity for making him pay the penalty of his baseness. I played the spy. I became aware of all his actions and his very thoughts were not hidden from me.

"One night, as I watched through the key-hole of his door, I saw he was in trouble. He was hunting all over his room, and I saw that he had lost something that was very valuable. I understood him to tell his room-

mate that it would be the death of him if he did not find it. At last I knew by his expressions of pleasure that he had found it, and such was his delight at seeing it again that he could scarce take his eyes off from it that night. When he went to bed he left it on his table. I instantly saw my chance. With a pass-key I entered his room. The darkness of night concealed me. I took the treasure, which I doubted not was dearer to him than life, and hastily made my escape. I put it in a chest of thick planks bound with bands of iron firmly riveted about it. I buried it." Here he grasped me by the hand, drew me towards him, and whispered low the place of concealment in a certain part of the campus, and that he had planted over it a stick which must have grown into a stout tree by this time. "The deed done, I hastened from the place. I feared the light of day and the face of man. I fled to foreign lands to escape justice and the pangs of a guilty conscience. I rushed into battle hoping to find favor hereafter by throwing away my worthless life, but the sacrifice was spurned and I lived." The old man became more and more excited. He waved his hands and talked incoherently, in broken sentences. Exhausted, he fell asleep again at last, but showed by his restlessness that he was still reviewing his troubles. Pressed for time, I left him, and when I returned he was gone, and only a tattered rag showed that the eminently æsthetic gentleman's waiting-room had held such a visitor. But his words were not forgotten, and I determined to become the possessor of the treasure, the hiding-place of which he had disclosed.

I marked the spot following the description he gave me, and saw a fine vigorous tree growing, where the place must be. The first dark, moonless night there was I stole to the spot with proper tools for digging and cutting. It rained, but that rendered it all the more difficult for any one to see me. I dug

the earth carefully away from the tree, sawed off portions of the roots and so got down under it. I probed in the soft earth until I struck something hard. Then I dug with redoubled efforts, and soon found precisely the box described. It took all my strength to bear it to my room. I worked long at the rusty lock and at last opened it. Its contents were intact. I brought my lamp to the chest so as to see more carefully. It was there. But what? I took it from the box and speedily ascertained that it was a dog-eared copy of an English translation of a well-known classic, read in our college, in common parlance—a horse.

The surprise was too great for me. I fell fainting to the floor, and the gray lights of dawn were peeping in at the windows when I revived. If you doubt the accuracy of my tale, I have the book which I should be pleased to show at any time, and the chest—but unfortunately, I have just used the last of that for kindling-wood.

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#### ON PLATITUDES.

We have but little patience with the man who talks platitudes. In general the world resolutely turns a cold shoulder on him and refuses to listen to his flatness, but too often he finds his way into well-established society. Let us be generous and call it for the most part a habit, for habit it is, when the law of association has crowded out, by the force of these weak inanities, the very life power of the Queen's English as an instrument of reasoning. When this occurs the individual finds that he is busy endeavoring to feed the world on husks, and the world in general refuses to accept them as a permanent diet. This habit demands in every way discountenance—this continual recounting aged saws and worn-out stories and empty phrases. We never fall in love with the man who, when

asked for a match, blandly smiles and remarks, "Well, I guess I'm a match for you," or the individual who is continually interlarding his conversation with "as it would seem," and "certainly," and to a mild statement of your own, complacency adds an "apparently so." It was a relief to an agonized community when "hardly ever" breathed its last. It would be a blessing to the world and to the unity and consistency of our mother-tongue, if every dealer in this article known as platitudes could go down forever in the unfathomable sea of public contempt. Yet we find them everywhere, in society and out. They are by firesides in the country dealing in stories beginning with "as the old lady said," and again gliding inanely along in the ranks of city life, and from the street gamin to the scholar, in all places exhibiting the spectacle of human beings who prefer to garble her God-given tongue by the sickening use of platitudes. They approach and go through the list from the preliminary (and most useful) of the platitudes, something concerning the weather, ending with "good day" without uttering a word of original thought. There may be occupations which these people can adorn. The necessary frequent conversation with strangers makes a formula of speech necessary, and hence barbers and bar-keepers and street peddlers are dealers in this article, but there is no reason why college students should hesitate between the logical and the extreme of the illogical and inane. Ben Johnson says, "language most shows a man; speak that I may see you," and, my beloved readers, what can any one see in him who continually yields to the easy pleasure of talking eternal platitudes and is too tired or indolent to ever rise above it?

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The bronze green paint on the window casings of memorial hall is a decided improvement on the India red that preceded it.

CONCERNING THE PROPOSED LAKE GEORGE BOAT RACE.

The fact that, in the past, the general occurrence has been, that when Bowdoin has been ready to row other colleges were not, has, in general, caused us to take a gloomy view of boating. The present condition of affairs is far more reassuring in its prospects for a race than for a number of years previous. It may briefly be summed up in the statement that Bowdoin and Wesleyan have already agreed to row a four-oared shell race at Lake George early in July.

What the projectors of the race desire is, as the secretary of the Lake George Amateur Regatta Association writes to the *World's* "College Chronicle," not "to institute a general regatta," but to "get up a college four-oared race." With this in view, the leading colleges were besought, early in December, to send delegates to meet in New York. Bowdoin and Columbia alone agreed to this and the meeting was not held. At present, the matter has taken a start in the right direction and, with the assurance that a race will actually be rowed between Wesleyan and Bowdoin, at least, it is more than probable that other colleges will be pleased to avail themselves of the opportunity thus offered.

Pennsylvania, Princeton, Columbia, Cornell, and even Virginia University and Marietta College, Ohio, are possible sources of an increase in number. The correspondent of Wesleyan to the *World's* "College Chronicle" states that Wesleyan intends to row and that probably she will meet Bowdoin, Pennsylvania, Columbia, and perhaps Princeton and Rutgers. The *Cornell Sun* states that, "notwithstanding the apathy in the three upper classes, the Freshmen are very enthusiastic in the project of bringing out a good crew." Invitations have been sent to various Freshmen eight-oared crews. The Freshmen of Princeton decline a race, Colum-

bia desires a formal challenge in the place of an "invitation," and the universities of Toronto and Pennsylvania prefer four-oared to eight-oared. "Should these possibilities fail of realization," states the *World*, "the aspiring Freshmen seem likely to have a chance to enter themselves as a representative Cornell crew" in the four-oared race which Bowdoin and Wesleyan and other colleges seem likely to arrange for July, under the auspices of the Lake George Regatta Association.

We are unable to state further at this early date. The race seems at present assured, as stated above, between Wesleyan and Bowdoin, at least. Wesleyan having voted at a college meeting held March 24th, to send a crew and Bowdoin the same, on March 28, and the date is well nigh settled for the first week in July. It is impossible to conjecture at this date as to the boating designs of various colleges and what additions may be made. The *College Argus*, of Wesleyan, of March 31st, states as follows: "Nine men are in training for the University Crew. We give the height and weight:

	AGE.	HEIGHT.	WEIGHT.
McDonald, '83, Capt. ....	26	5.11½ in.	175 lbs.
McCarthy, '83 .....	23	5.11¼	174
Rollins, '84 .....	21	5.9	150
Brundage, '85 .....	21	5.10¼	166
Penfield, '83 .....	22	5.8	150
Andrews, '85 .....	19	5.10¼	163
Carson, '83 .....	18	5.11¼	174
Hayward, '85 .....	25	5.9½	166
Thompson .....	22	6.2	170

Six are to be selected from these and trained vigorously until the close of next term, when the four will be finally selected, with one substitute to accompany them."

As is probably quite well known, our crew will be made up of three of the last year's crew that was "ready and willing to row," and one man to be selected from men at present, or soon to be put in training. The following will go into training at the beginning of next term. The first three were members of last year's crew.

	AGE.	HEIGHT.	WEIGHT.
Reed, '82, Capt.....	23	5.11½	164 lbs.
Curtis, '82.....	21	5.11½	164
Plimpton, '82, stroke.....	23	5.8	176
Brown, '84.....	20	5.9	175
Chase, '83.....	22	5.11½	160
Adams, '84.....	18	5.9	161
Winter, '84.....	24	5.9½	170

It is more than likely that the crew can go on the river by the middle of April, and a professional coach will most likely be secured in order to give the crew a proper start and insure us that they are at work in the right way. The secretary of the Association writes, under date of April 4th, assuring board and transportation for five men and boat. It is evident that, at present, nothing lies in the way but what may easily be removed. It is evident, likewise, that this will in no wise interfere with the class races, which it is expected will occur Ivy Day, as usual. Boating seems to have taken a boom with us, and the college, while it will make every endeavor within its own limits and has already been assured of the hearty good will of the Faculty and, let us add, their substantial encouragement, yet hopes that the alumni will assist in seeing that the crew have money enough to enable it to do its best. It is a matter of some consequence to the interests of the college.

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## COMMUNICATION.

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### *Editors of Orient:*

Without any desire to criticise college papers in general and least of all, the *ORIENT*, which I consider a model college journal, so far as college papers go, I beg leave to suggest a few changes which an extended experience as a journalist and acquaintance as a Freshman with the needs of college men would, in my judgment, be efficacious.

You are well aware of the difficulty with which ambitious aspirants for editorial honors

meet in choosing a subject for composition, and never was this difficulty so great as at present. To you, from long experience, such choice must be a mere pastime. Then why not establish a column for such subjects as we, in our "Squedunk Weekly Blowhard" have—a corner for spring poetry? By the way, do you exchange with the "Blowhard"? If you will allow me, I would suggest, as subjects that have never been touched, "College Rank," "Cheating in Recitations," "College Characters," "Reading Room," or perhaps some one will kindly suggest to our authorities a few changes in the curriculum. This is a mine that will bear inexhaustible working.

It was a great surprise to me, in your, recent announcement of the change in the editorial board to find my class left out in the cold. This, sir, I believe is a serious error and I tremble for the future of the *ORIENT*. To be sure, you offer as a reason that such a change would be too radical in its nature, but I can assure you it will be difficult to draw the wool over our eyes by such a flimsy pretext. Prescription of any class, or man, must inevitably work ill to its projectors. I believe you will consider this warning and make the advised change.

I have no desire to blow my own trumpet nor would I be a candidate for the position in case of its creation, but I may say in confidence, that at Squedunk, as a writer, no one was superior, and that my editorials in the "Blowhard" have often been discussed in the town meeting. Indeed, it is the unanimous opinion of my class, and so often has it been remarked in my hearing, that it has become a source of mortification to my modest nature that, in a class of peculiar literary brilliancy, no one possesses such aptitude as I, and it is only my overweening modesty that stands in the way of its being universally known.

I would advise the addition of several



pages to allow space for the contributions of our Faculty. At no other college is such interest taken in the college paper, and a member of that body recently remarked to me that he was much grieved at the treatment his articles had received, and besought my aid. Certainly, my dear sirs, this crowding out of articles from your superiors to make room for those of undergraduates is hardly polite, to say the least. To be sure, as you say, but few opportunities are offered for composition, except through your columns: but such commendable zeal and active interest is deserving of respect and should meet with your coöperation. You might, at least, grant them an equal chance by subjecting their articles to lot. Of course, in the crush of contributions from them, there is necessary a person of the nicest taste for correct discrimination. With such a person I think I am acquainted. With such provision you would have the best, and righteous complaint would be silenced.

I was much shocked at reading in a recent edition a request for payment of subscriptions. You put it mildly, you say; but sir, consider for a moment the vulgarity: the connection is shocking. College journals should never be confounded with the papers of the world which have in view but filthy lucre. They should be run on a higher and more æsthetic basis, and it is only owing to a misconception that your publishers demand payment for their work. We of the "Blowhard" would be more considerate. Place the matter in its true light before your printers, but, at all events, keep such unpleasant suggestions out of your paper.

I have just been informed that the next board has been elected. I beg they will consider these remarks and, as they have the power to add to their numbers—a word to the wise —.

V.

There were six '81 men in chapel, Saturday.

## COLLEGE ITEMS.

The medic's face is wreathed in smiles,  
His flowing locks tossed light;  
For Physiology he's passed,  
And Wilder's taken flight.

They say "Cros" doesn't like it.

Grimmer's eight has been engaged for the Senior and Junior exhibition.

Saturday, April 1st, the second clinic was held at the medical school.

The new chapel choir consists of Barton, Weeks, Butler, Pierce, and Stetson.

Four new casts have been added to the collection in the north wing of the chapel.

Professor Packard and President Chamberlain attended Longfellow's funeral at Cambridge.

On Monday last the Seniors began recitations to President Chamberlain in United States History.

Prof. Packard has seen every man who ever graduated from this college except three or four.

The presence of bills for box rent at the post-office on April 1st, was Uncle Sam's little April fool joke.

The reviews in history of philosophy were an excellent preparation for the examination in that branch.

Senior (to class officer)—"How many marks have I?" Class Officer—"Only eight sir, hardly enough to be respectable."

The Seniors have recently discussed the question of Chinese immigration and decided that it must be prohibited.

The Seniors who took optional chemistry had for examination a complete qualitative analysis of unknown substances.

Lists of pictures for the Seniors can now be obtained of J. R. Jordan. It is his wish that the orders be filled this week.

Instead of the usual term dance, a German will be given at Dirigo Hall on Thursday evening, April 6th, after the exhibition.

The coming vacation will doubtless be devoted by every Senior to work on ethical themes for the Examining Committee.

The Brunswick and Topsam Musical Association gave a concert at Dirigo Hall, Thursday evening, March 30. The Bowdoin Orchestra and a quintet from the college took part.

Prof.—“What evidence have we that he was a man of high standing in the community?” Mr. P.—“He was imprisoned for debt.”

W. A. Moody, '82, has gone to Auburn to take charge of a department in the High School. Mr. Moody will graduate with his class.

E. U. Curtis, '82, has resigned his position as first director of the Boat Club, and Mr. E. T. McCarthy, '82, has been chosen to fill the vacancy.

The Bowdoin Orchestra is now quite proficient. Their services are in demand for all local entertainments, and satisfaction is always given.

Rather rough on the Freshman that his cherished moustache should be consigned to eternity by an unfortunate slip of the barber's razor.

Wednesday, March 29th, the Seniors enjoyed an adjourn in philosophy, owing to the unexpected prolongation of Prof. Campbell's visit in Boston.

An old paper found in an upperclassman's scrap-book shows a marked contrast between the Freshmen of a few years ago and those of to-day, in the matter of boating subscription, and the comparison is in no way flattering to the present class.

At a meeting of the Boating Association on Tuesday, March 25th, it was voted to send a crew to Lake George to compete with Wesleyan and any other colleges that may join,—the distance one and a half miles straight-away, date early in July. Three of the college crew of last year were re-elected, viz.: W. O. Plimpton, '82, stroke; W. G. Reed, '82, No. 2, captain; E. U. Curtis, '82, bow; these three to elect a fourth man for No. 3. The meeting was an enthusiastic one, and provided suitable terms can be obtained from the Lake George Association, there is no doubt that Bowdoin will be represented. The following committee were selected to collect money: E. T. McCarthy, '82; N. B. K. Pettengill, '83; D. C. Clark, '84; N. Ford, '85.

The Senior and Junior exhibition will occur in Lemont Hall, Thursday evening, April 6th, with the following programme:

Salutatory Oration in Latin. C. H. Gilman, Portland, Me.  
 Freedom of Opinion. W. O. Plimpton, Litchfield, Me.  
 Washington and Bonaparte.—Original Version  
 from Chateaubriand. \* E. A. Packard, Auburn, Me.  
 Our Inheritance. C. E. Stinchfield, Brunswick, Me.  
 MUSIC.  
 Are Men Gaining the Mastery over Things?  
 W. A. Moody, Kennebunkport, Me.  
 Protection the Means, Free Trade the End.  
 W. E. Mason, North Conway, N. H.

Cotta, the Consul, to the People.—Original Version from Sailust. \* N. B. K. Pettengill, Augusta, Me.  
 The Huguenots.

W. W. Curtis, Freeport, Me.

MUSIC.

Vibius Virius to the Capuaus.—Original Version from Livy.

\* H. A. Bascom, Portland, Me.

Monopoly.

J. F. Libby, Loeke's Mills, Me.

Socrates' Last Words to his Judges.—Original Version from Plato.

† E. F. Holden, East Otisfield, Me.

New England's Influence.

M. H. Goodwin, Gorham, Me.

MUSIC.

\* Juniors.

† Excused.

### IN MEMORIAM.

The students of Bowdoin College met on the evening of March 25th, and passed the following appropriate resolutions in memory of the poet, Longfellow:

*Whereas*, By the death of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow an overruling Providence has summoned to his immortal home a poet, dear to the hearts of all; and whereas, once connected with this institution, as student, as teacher, and in after life as a light in the literary world, he has been among the most cherished sons of *Alma Mater*.

*Resolved*, That while we deeply deplore his death, yet we manifest our heartfelt thankfulness for the example of his life.

*Resolved*, That although we cannot add to the homage the world has hardly ceased to render at the crowning point of his life, nevertheless we desire to express anew our sincere admiration of his genius.

*Resolved*, That while those who were most intimately connected with the departed most deeply grieve over severed ties, we yet mourn his loss to us all, and perpetuate his memory in our hearts.

### PERSONAL.

'25.—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow died at his home in Cambridge, Mass., March 24th: was born in Portland, Me., February 27, 1807. He was a son of Hon. Stephen Longfellow, and a descendant of William Longfellow of Newbury, Mass. This gentleman, who was the first of the name who came to America, was born in Hampshire-England, in 1651, and emigrated to Newbury, where, in 1676, he was united in marriage with Anne Sewall. Mr. Longfellow was drowned at Anticosti in 1690. On his mother's side the subject of this sketch was a descendant of John Alden.

Henry, after completing his studies in the public schools of his native city, entered Bowdoin College in 1821. He graduated in 1825 and devoted himself for a short time to the study of law. In his *Alma Mater* he received the appointment of professor of modern languages, and in 1826 he went abroad. He spent three years and a half in France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Holland, and England. In 1829 he returned to his native land and assumed the duties of his office. In 1831 he was married to a Miss Thatcher of Concord, N. H. A vacancy occurred in the Faculty of Harvard College by the resignation of George Ticknor in 1835, and Mr. Longfellow was elected professor of belles-lettres. In consequence of this new appointment Mr. Longfellow made a second trip to Europe and passed the summer of 1835 in Denmark and Sweden, the autumn and winter in Holland and Germany, and the ensuing spring and summer in Tyrol and Switzerland. During his sojourn in Rotterdam his wife died, and Mr. Longfellow returned to his native land. In 1843 he visited France, Germany, and England. The summer of that year he spent at Boppard-on-the-Rhine. In 1843 he was again married, the bride being Miss Appleton of Boston, and took up his abode in the old Cragie House, made famous by being the headquarters of Gen. Washington during the siege of Boston, and which Mr. Longfellow subsequently purchased.

'44.—Josiah Howes, M.D., a physician of repute, died at Clarinda, Iowa, Dec., 1881.

'44.—Samuel P. Dinsmore, editor of the *Stockholder*, died in New York, March 23, 1882.

'46.—Edwin Lee Brown, Chicago, is President of the American Humane Association.

'48.—John Jewett died in the military service in 1862.

'54.—Edwin Sewall Lenuox, Washburn & Moen Manufacturing Co., Worcester, Mass.

'57.—Gustavus A. Stanley is a successful lawyer in Pensacola, Florida.

'57.—Malcolm McIntyre, Deputy Collector, Internal Revenue, Owensboro, Daviess County, Ky.

'58.—George B. Towle, Union Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston, Mass.

'61.—Henry Jewett Furber, of the firm Higgins & Furber, Attorneys, 132 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.

'68.—Llewellyn S. Ham is a teacher at Pana, Ill.

'69.—Oscar Fitzallen Greene resides in Bowler, Col.

'69.—Oscar S. Williams, teacher at Haverhill, Mass.

'73.—D. A. Robinson, M.D., is meeting with fine success practicing medicine in Bangor. He is "Director" in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium and a member of the school board of Bangor.

'76.—C. H. Clark is instructor in French in the Bath High School.

'79.—Castor is in the law office of A. P. Gould, Esq., Thomaston.

'79.—Henderson is instructor of mathematics in the Bath High School.

'79.—H. A. Huston and Hanson are both instructors in a High School, Lafayette, Ind.

'79.—J. P. Huston, in law office of W. H. Hilton, Esq., Damariscotta.

The following have visited the college during the past week: '78, S. E. Smith; '80, H. L. Maxey; '81, J. O. P. Wheelwright, J. W. Wilson, J. W. Manson, W. I. Cole, D. J. McGillicuddy, A. D. Gray, E. O. Achorn.

'81.—J. W. Nichols is in St. Paul, Minn.

'82.—A. H. Perry, a former member, has returned home from spending the winter in the West. He visited Mexico and California.

'82.—J. M. Curtis, a former member, has a fine situation in New York.

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## EDITORS' TABLE.

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Statistics are notoriously dry, and those strange compounds of truth and fiction, sense and nonsense which are tabulated by careful class historians of classes about to graduate, are no exceptions to the rule. As if a stranger could get a fair comprehension of the great and glorious class which is about to begin the battle of life by knowing its total weight and the size collar they wear. The "Diagnosis of the Class of '82," published by the *Washington Jeffersonian*, is however an exception. It conclusively shows that class to be very remarkable in several particulars. It numbers thirty-nine; the average age is twenty-two years eight months; average height, five feet eleven inches; oldest man nearly thirty-one, youngest a little over eighteen; heaviest man two hundred and five, lightest, one hundred and twenty; tallest man, six feet five and one-half inches, another is six feet three inches, two, six feet two inches, and three, six feet. The two tallest men have a regard for the principle of design in nature, as they alone of the class are to be civil engineers. It is almost needless to say that the nick name of the giant of the class is "Infant." Of this Herculean class, twenty-four smoke and sixteen chew. It is also said that no one of the smokers is among the first six of the class and probably not among the first ten.

The *Oberlin Review* says: "Since the authoritative crushing of the chess club egg, there have been vague rumors that a certain full-fledged Logomachy Club in Council Hall should be investigated." Can it be that the meek Oberliners do not readily bow their heads to the yoke put upon them?

The present editors of the *Argo* gracefully take their leave in the last number. Ephraim gives an exhaustive review of college journalism and its improvement since he has been acquainted with it. The *Argo* has always been good and we know of no paper more fit for permanent preservation than it. We wish we had kept a complete file of it. The general style of the *Argo* is the best of any college paper.

The new editors of the *Record* have issued a copy of the paper, the only one to be issued this term. The *Record* begins with the usual number of good resolutions and is a very creditable number. This resolve is especially commendable: "Until it seems likely to add greatly to the enjoyment of our readers, we shall not devote extended space to petty bickerings with the *Courant* and *News*, nor to assaults upon the dignity of the *Lit.* Yale's periodicals have each, in some measure, the honor of Yale to sustain, and not its end of a quarrel about the question of its own superiority above its co-workers. There are different ways of making that appear." Prizes of ten dollars each are offered for the best prose piece of any description, for the best humorous piece, and for the greatest number of published poems.

The names of the newly elected editors of the *Amherst Student* are given in the last number. The *Student* complains that the students in general know too little of the places around Amherst, made classical for geologists by the explorations of the late President Hitchcock.

The *Yale Record* has the following: "When Ezra Stiles was president of this college (and he retired in 1795), the practice of sign-stealing was an old sin. The ancient story goes that once when the old president, on a confiscating tour, was heard approaching the door of a room in which there were a number of students together, all began as with one voice to recite aloud from Matt. xvi. 4, 'A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign, but there shall no sign be given unto it.'—'Oh! Come in.'" Readers of the *ORIENT* will recognize this as substantially the same as an anecdote given in the third number of the present volume of the *ORIENT*, where its authenticity is assured. We hesitate to accuse the *Record* of plagiarism, but the resemblance between the two is striking, and our piece has priority of publication.

A PARODY.

No, Impudence, you shan't have one!  
How many times must I refuse?

Away!

I say!

Or else you'll sure my friendship lose!

I cannot bear such forward fun.

So quick I begone! If not, I'll run!

Why, now I'll have to be severe—

No, not a kiss to you I'll give—

Take care!

I swear

I'll tell Papa, as sure's I live!  
I never saw a man so queer!  
But—are you sure there's no one near?

—*Yale Courant.*

We sat alone; your little hand

Lay on the table by my own.

Only a little hand, and yet

I cannot, while I live, forget

The tremor of profound regret

When I saw how your hand had grown.

We parted; but your little hand

Lay on the table, cold and fair;

Wide was the scope, the numbers spanned

Three bright-robed queens, serene and bland,

Two rampant jacks, a happy band,

While I had only one small pair.—*Unidentified.*

EPILOGUE.

We've got through, and certain of the habits incident to an exchange editorship have become so natural, it will seem strange for us not to have our pockets uncomfortably stuffed with mail matter after every trip to the post-office. It will be long ere we shall get out of the habit of reading a paper backwards and of skimming over its contents at a break-neck speed. There are certain stale jokes which we, when fresh to editorial duties, read with delight and, perchance, cut out to regale readers of the *ORIENT*, but which we have been doomed to read several hundred times since. They are, however, indelibly stamped on the tablets of our memory and will furnish a fund for wit in private life for a long time to come. We shall miss the history of college life told in a different way by each college paper. There are several stock subjects for editorials and comments that we feel an interest in.

The *ORIENT* has been well treated by its exchanges. But one instance has occurred during the year of anything plainly intended as a "sit on," and that was so plainly dictated through spite that it did not make us feel as badly as it might have done under other circumstances. We have always believed that in no way the *ORIENT* could be improved in its character more than by a proper study of the best of our exchanges, and strongly recommend such a course as a chief duty for the new board.

Our work on the *ORIENT* is done, but the spirit and aims of the paper will be the same under other hands and, if a change is noticed from the transfer, we hope it may be an improvement.

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