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WE find ourselves at the close of another college year. A review of its events and achievements can not fail to afford us gratification.

At its beginning we were grieved at the loss of our former President whose noble virtues we had all respected and honored. Upon his successor, whom we had already learned to esteem highly, we were ready to bestow that confidence and good will which have characterized the relations between faculty and students during the year.

The number of students in attendance has been the largest, with a single exception, in the history of the college. The general conduct has been excellent. The year has witnessed the interment of several boorish relics of barbarism which had maintained a right to existence on the ground of being time honored customs. That potent factor known as "college sentiment" has been of the highest character. We have been more fully awake to the interests of the college and the healthy influence of this spirit has shown itself in many ways.

The construction and equipment of the Shannon Observatory and Physical Laboratory has added greatly to the advantages which Colby offers to her students. Few similar institutions are better equipped for instruction in the special branches of Physics and Astronomy. Colby has also taken the initiative in the introduction of a chair of Pedagogy with a success that has well merited its continuance.

After a temporary absence of two years, the base ball pennant has returned, let us hope, to stay. We feel that this is due in no small degree to the awakening of a new and vigorous

interest in the support of general athletics.

As we look backward over the year just closing we feel that it is one of the brightest in Colby's history. The outlook for the years to come is no less promising. Let us hope that this is but the dawning of a new era in the progress of our beloved *Alma Mater*.

**J**UST as we are going to press the *Oracle* appears. It has long given promise of surpassing in excellence all past publications. This promise we think has been realized. We had feared that we would be deprived of the usual privilege of extending our complimentary greetings to our elder sister on her annual visit, but now, though late, we extend them most kindly. We are struck with the neat appearance of the volume both outside and inside the covers. The artistic work is of a high order. The introduction of society groups is a pleasing addition. The general tone of the literary work is high. The grinds and jokes are bright and not such as will cause offense. As a whole we pronounce the *Oracle* a great success. Our congratulations are extended to its editors.

**T**HE twelfth annual Field Day can not be pronounced a marked success. Owing to the unfavorableness of the weather the attendance was unusually small and the grounds were not in the best condition. For this reason the records made were generally below the average. The time made in the Hundred Yards Dash was good. The lack of a running track upon the campus renders the number of races entirely too small. The records for Throwing Hammer and Standing Broad Jump are in reality superior to any past records. The record published as best Colby record for throwing hammer was made with a hammer lighter by four pounds than that now in use; the record for the broad jump was made with weights.

Lack of management was particularly noticeable throughout the entire programme. The long intervals between events interspersed with frequent kicking could not fail to weary the spectators. The unusually small number of entries tended to detract from the interest of the contests.

All the prizes were won by ten men, while four men won more than two-thirds of the entire number of points. This speaks very well

for the individual ability of these men, but shows, all too clearly, the meagre interest that the boys in general take in field athletics. The rivalry between the classes for securing that formerly coveted prize, the class cup, was entirely lacking. This healthy competition for athletic trophies usually serves to add much to the excitement and heat of the contests.

The change inaugurated this year of substituting neat silver medals for the ordinary motley collection of things useful or ornamental is to be commended. The aspirant for athletic fame can now look forward to the winning of trophies more enduring and befitting for his deeds of prowess and strength. It is a change which it will be well to make permanent.

In view of the much talked of Intercollegiate Athletic meet, of which we are strongly in favor, we would urge upon the boys the necessity of a general brace in field athletics. If the proposed meet can be arranged for next year, we want to put upon the field men who will win. In order to do this we must work.

**W**E had desired to present to our subscribers a commencement number of the *ECHO*, giving the entire space to a report of the exercises and events of the week. Various reasons have rendered this impracticable. Many of our exchanges have published such editions. The increased subscription among the students and alumni for this number would defray all extra expense incurred in its publication. We would have been glad, could we have given you such an edition at this time, but, as circumstances have prevented, we hope that this desirable change will be introduced next year.

**T**HE frequent sings on the campus during the spring have given evidence of a musical awakening among the boys. According to present indications the next term will witness the formation of one or two musical clubs. The double quartet, which has acquitted itself very creditably on several occasions during the term, will be extended into an organized glee club, with elective membership. They have already demonstrated to us that we have sufficient material for a good club. Its organization and maintenance should be most heartily encouraged. We have also a good nucleus about which to start a banjo and guitar club. Such a club would supplement the work of the glee club. In com-

bination the two clubs could present a very good musical programme. Various rumors are in circulation in regard to a college band, which, however, seem to lack substantiality. We think that a band would be a desirable adjunct to our grand stand. In seasons of rejoicing over athletic victories, like the present, it would obviate all necessity of securing music outside the college with the frequent disappointments accompanying. It would give a vent to that noisier but no less legitimate spirit which is prominent among college students. While the formation of the two last clubs is highly conjectural, that of the glee club is certain. This musical awakening should receive our cordial support. Surely Colby is marching to quicker strains than usual.



## EXCELSIOR.

"Nil sine magno Vita labore dedit mortalibus."

The mountain side is hard to climb and steep,  
The traveller toils with blistered hands and feet,  
Thickets and thorns oppose his upward way,  
And frowning clouds above, their wrath display.  
Yet on he gropes midst crags and dark ravines,  
Nor stops to view the wildness of those scenes,  
But worn and faint his sole desire is now  
To reach a summit of the mountain's side.

—'Tis done, and straightway on his sight  
Bursts all the glory of the hard-worn height.  
His soul refreshes at the prospect grand,  
He sees the sunlight flooding all the land,  
And tingeing with its rich and gorgeous dye  
The clouds that just before had dimmed his sky.  
"Scorning the base degrees by which he did ascend,"  
Upward again begins his course to wend;  
For other peaks above have caught his eye,  
And others still that he can just descry.  
Thus let us strive with hands and heart and brain,  
That we each day a higher place may gain;  
And counting life as duty, we may say  
At every sunset, "I have lived to-day."

## SOME HUMOURS OF CHURCH MUSIC.

ANY attempt to write upon such a subject as this must, of necessity, consist largely of illustration, and fall very nearly under the Irishman's definition of hash. If some semblance of continuity and chronological order shall be preserved and the reader be deluded

into the belief that there is a plan underneath, this paper will have been an unexpected success.

When we half recline in our cushioned pews and listen to the harmony evoked by a trained choir do we ever look backward to the days when the organ was not yet? when one of the elders was expected to raise the tune with the aid of his tuning-fork and the congregation all sang, more or less nearly in the same time with the leader, obeying the advice of the old pastor, "Now brethren make a joyful noise if you can; but if you can't, make an awful noise any way." After some years came the proposal to substitute a violin for the old tuning-fork and many were the protests against this "worshipping the Lord by the aid of catgut." But the advantage of having the do, mi, sol, do of the fiddle instead of the single tone of the fork appealed so strongly to the singers that the violin became well established in its new domain. The best singers would collect near the violin to take the pitch, this number of the best voices would naturally take the lead and so grew up the idea of a choir sitting apart from the congregation.

It was probably in this period that the following incident occurred. In a certain New England village there lived a choir-leader who believed himself remarkably gifted in remodelling hymns. The minister had selected for the next Sabbath the hymn containing the lines,

"Oh, may my heart in tune be found  
Like David's harp of solemn sound."

Here was a chance to recognize the part of the violin in the service and to display the leader's genius. Soon he had it:

"Oh, may my heart be tuned within,  
Like David's sacred violin."

This was proudly laid before the pastor, who, being a bit of a wag, asked if he might suggest a further change. Permission being gladly given, he offered:

"May my heart go diddle, diddle,  
Like to David's sacred fiddle."

As time passed on, in many churches the violin was supplemented. Other violins came in, and in some cases nearly a full orchestra was introduced. When at last the reed organ began to be developed, a new controversy arose. If an organ was such a help to singers elsewhere, why shouldn't they have it in the church? So reasoned its advocates. Its opponents denounced it as worship by machinery and were not slow

to compare it to Buddhist prayer mills. The organ, however, won on its merits as the violin had done before, though even to-day some object to its use. Within the last two decades a large church in Toronto came near being hopelessly split on the question of allowing an organ to be introduced. We have all laughed at the story of the good old lady who declared that when she should at last be borne by weeping friends to the old church she loved in youth, "She didn't want no paytent, new-fangled machine a-squealing over her."

With the adoption of the organ the music assumed a more important place in the order of service. Voluntaries and interludes were multiplied. Many organists adopted Wesley's idea: "It was a pity to let the devil have all the good tunes;" and so to please their audiences worked snatches of opera or popular song into their voluntaries. Think of a minister marching gravely down the aisle to an air from Pinafore, or a congregation sauntering out of church to the majestic strains of Yankee Doodle! In defense of this last, it may however be said that when played very slowly it makes a most impressive march, which is recognized by but few people. Meanwhile the vocal music underwent a corresponding development. Formerly the singing was an act of worship to be participated in by all. Now trained singers were hired who performed classic music which not only was beyond the ability of the congregation to join in, but was beyond the appreciation of many. Anything that runs to an extreme will show ridiculous phases. One of the most ridiculous, perhaps, of this time was the anthem, in which one part began and the others fell in at intervals, repeating the same words. This jargon, when intelligible, often produced ludicrous results, especially when parts of sentences were separated. For instance, after a sermon on the ten commandments it is harrowing to have a quartet affirm one after another, "I love to steal," before adding, "awhile away from every cumb'ring care."

A particularly atrocious instance of this kind occurred with the anthem "Consider the Lilies." The choir had been for some time engaged in consideration of the lilies, when the soprano took an entirely new line of thought and offered the startling information that "Solomon was not arrayed." The audience was embarrassed; even the alto blushed as she conscientiously declared

her opinion that "Solomon was *not* arrayed." Then the tenor falteringly warbled out *his* belief that Solomon was not arrayed, and the audience felt that they wouldn't have blamed Solomon for murdering a few hundred of his thousand wives who allowed his wardrobe to be so shamefully depleted. Their indignation was increased when the basso expressed his profound conviction that Solomon was not arrayed; but just then, to the relief of everybody, the chorus burst forth, "Was not arrayed like one of these."

Such results of cutting up hymns might be multiplied, but time forbids. In closing let it be said that the purpose has been merely to show the ridiculousness of extreme ideas even in church music, not to ridicule a service which has, perhaps, laid hold on as many souls as the preached Word; memories of which are among the most hallowing of those enshrined in our hearts.

#### THE PRICE OF A FORTUNE.

EARLY one beautiful morning in June, an antiquated horse and wagon stood waiting at the door of a small brown farm-house in New Hampshire. Soon a middle-aged man came out followed by his wife, a small, sad-looking woman, and a tall boy of about eighteen years, who was evidently his son. They talked for a few minutes at the door, and at length the elder man said, "Well, come, John, we must go, for we have quite a journey before us and the train leaves at ten o'clock."

The old white horse was awakened from his comfortable nap and the father clambered into the wagon, while John stopped a moment longer at the door to bid his mother good-bye. Then he seated himself by his father's side and the old horse started off at a slow trot down the road to the town. The mother stood still at the door, and with eyes blinded by tears, watched the wagon and its occupants till they were lost from sight, then turned and went back to her work with a heavy heart, for she knew well the weak, yielding character of her son, and dreaded the temptations to which he would now be exposed.

John Winter was the son of an honest, hard-working man, and his life had thus far been spent on the little, rocky farm which he was that morning leaving. In his childhood it had been his favorite amusement to make believe

that he was rich, and as he grew older his love of money increased. He soon came to the conclusion that if he was to become wealthy he must leave the farm, so he determined to go South and make his fortune. He had no definite idea of what he should do after he got there, but whiled away the days of his journey by building golden air-castles.

At last he arrived at a small town in Tennessee where one of his friends lived. He spent a few days here and then went away some miles in another direction to work on a new railroad which was then being built. When he reached this place he found that the gang were all Italians with the exception of the engineer, Frank Roberts. Roberts was the exact opposite of John. He was a slight, fair-haired fellow, brave, manly and generous, and had no sympathy with John's wavering character and passion for money, yet as they were the only Americans they naturally became somewhat intimate.

The work was hard, but the hardest work seemed easy to John, for he was always looking forward to pay-day and planning what he could do with his money that would bring him the largest returns.

Early one Sunday morning he set out from camp, intending to take a long tramp through the woods. It was a beautiful day, warm enough to make the shade of the forest agreeable, but still not oppressively hot, and John thoroughly enjoyed his walk. He had traveled several miles and was just thinking of sitting down on a fallen tree to rest a little, when he spied a small, rough cabin not far from him. Curious to learn whether it was inhabited or not, he approached the hut. The door was open and on a block of wood near a rough table sat an old man engaged in counting some money. He seemed to be in no haste, but was doing it merely for the pleasure of handling the money. He was a small man, who somehow gave one the impression that he had been larger once but that his body had shrunk to correspond better with his little, mean soul. He was bent with age and his face was covered with a ragged gray beard; his forehead was low and narrow, and close to his thin, crooked nose two foxy gray eyes looked out from beneath their shaggy gray brows; his mouth was large and his lips tightly compressed. Suddenly he looked up, and seeing John started up angrily, flinging a

battered straw hat over the money on the table.

"Who be yer and what do yer want here?" he said roughly.

John explained to him, but still the old man eyed him suspiciously.

"Yer don't live nowheres about here, do yer?" he said.

"I am at work on the new railroad not far from here and came out here for a walk. My home is in the North and I have been here only a short time."

"Why didn't yer stay in the North then, and not come ter this out-er-the-way place?"

"I wanted to get rich and thought this the best place to do so. There was no show for making money on the old farm," replied John.

"Money, said the hermit," "money—" lingering upon the word as if he loved every letter of it; "so yer wanted money, did yer? Well, it's a good thing, I tell yer, sir, it's a good thing. I've made up my mind that money's the *best* thing a man can have. But I'm gittin' old now, and I can't work many year longer. I tell yer, sir, I'd give anything if I could jest be young again. I'd know how ter make money better'n I did when I *was* young."

Then the two talked on for an hour, discussing various means of acquiring wealth, till at last John remembered that quite a distance lay between him and camp, and that he must start at once or it would be dark and he could not find his way. When he rose to go the old man urged him to come again and John readily promised to do so. Notwithstanding the hermit was such a repulsive looking creature, their mutual love of money drew them to each other and made them feel almost like old friends.

John visited him again soon after and learned that he was one of those people commonly called moonshiners. So much was he pleased with John that he urged him to invest his money with him when pay-day should come, and then, when he had finished work on the railroad, to come and live with him and help him carry on his work, as he was growing old. John, dazzled by the large returns the miser told him he would receive from the business, promised that as soon as he had earned a hundred dollars he would come. He was very careful not to mention his new friend to Roberts, though the two were as intimate as ever.

At last pay-day came, and the next day John hastened to the hermit's cabin, eager to show

him the money and plan how he could get more.

"If I only had Roberts' place I might have had twice as much money. He got his pay last night, too, a hundred dollars, while I got only fifty."

A hundred dollars. The miser's little gray eyes fairly gleamed and he sat silent, thinking, for a moment.

"Has he got it with him now?" he said at length.

"Yes, he said he should keep it till he went to town next week," John answered.

"Why don't yer get it, John?"

"Me get it! What do you mean?"

"Mean what I say, of course. Why shouldn't yer get it? There's nothin' to hinder."

At first John was shocked, but the miser presented it in such an alluring light that soon his scruples vanished, and then they began to plan how the robbery was to be effected.

"Yer say he comes back ter camp nights, round by the pond, do yer? Well, he's all alone, ain't he?"

"Yes, only his dog is always with him."

"Well, why can't you jest knock him down and take the money and skip out over here with it? None of the gang know about my hut but you, and the *dog* won't tell no tales."

"Why, I can't *murder* him," said John, horrified.

"Who said anything about murdering him? I didn't. I said knock him down—just stun him so he won't trouble about gettin' the money. He'll come to in a little while, after you're safe out of the way, and be just as good as new."

John hesitated, but again the hermit prevailed and he promised to do the deed the next night. He quit work a little sooner than usual and hastened on toward camp by the way to the pond. This pond was a small sheet of water deep in the wood. Trees grew thickly all around it down to the water's edge and cast their long shadows far out over its surface. A gloomy, dismal place, where the owl might be seen, even in the daytime, fluttering noiselessly about in the semi-twilight of the thick wood, and now and then breaking the silence by a dismal hoot.

Here John waited for Roberts and soon he saw him approaching with his dog and gun. Just as he came opposite the tree behind whose thick trunk John was concealed, his gun was snatched from his hand; he felt a heavy blow on his head and fell to the earth.

The dog spied John and sprang toward him with a fierce growl, but just then the owls were disturbed by a quick shot and the dog fell dead at his master's side. Then the robber hastily secured the money and fled, that he might be at a safe distance before Roberts should recover from the effects of the blow.

But there was no need for him to hasten. The man lying there would never pursue him. When, next day, search was made for the two missing ones, the body of Roberts was found where he had fallen, rigid in death.

John has reached the cabin safely with the money but he dares not stay. In every sound he hears the officers coming to bring him to justice and he hardly dares close his eyes at night. He can stay here no longer; but where shall he go? Can he return to that peaceful New Hampshire farmhouse, to his gentle Christian mother and tell her that her only son is a robber? It would kill her, and then, too, the officers might come there for him. It was clear that he must go far away where no one knew him. He said nothing of all this to the hermit, but stole quietly out one night while the old man slept and at sunrise he was far away in the forest. For several days he traveled on, avoiding notice as much as possible, till at last he came to the banks of the Mississippi, took passage on a steamer for the Gulf of Mexico and there, finding a ship about to sail to Australia, he embarked.

His parents at home on the farm wondered why he did not write to them and thought every day, "we shall surely get a letter to-morrow;" but every night the old horse jogged away to the post office and every night Mr. Winter returned with the same look of disappointment on his face. Day by day the anxiety told upon the old people, but day by day they hoped on until a year had passed, and then they decided that he must be dead. But the uncertainty of his fate and her anxiety for him was too much for his mother and in a few months she died, Mr. Winter went away to another state and the little brown house was left silent and deserted.

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An exposition of the methods of teaching used in the public schools of Waterville was held at the rink, Monday. The pedagogues among our number had a fine chance to get some new methods about teaching the young idea.



Theses.

Junior articles.

The Sophomores had a cut (?) from History for a week.

"If I only get into the Botany examination I shall be all right."

"Everybody get your laundry ready! Last chance for a clean shirt till next fall."

"Oh, I didn't expect to receive an appointment. I wrote my article in two evenings."

The Junior class will present a copy of Raphael's Sistine Madonna to the college on Presentation Day.

A pious Junior lay on his lounge Sunday night until twelve and then arose and wrote on his thesis till morning.

Rev. C. V. Hanson, of Skowhegan, preached the annual sermon before the Y. W. C. A. of Colby, Sunday evening, June 15.

Rev. James McWhinnie, D.D., of Cambridge, Mass., will preach the annual sermon before the Y. M. C. A. of Colby, Sunday evening, June 29, at 7.45 P. M.

Prof. Warren's talk before the Sophomore class in Bible study, last Sunday, was very interesting and a very good number of the class were present.

Four Freshmen who possess the musical talent of the class were heard rehearsing some very new and difficult selections, "Stars of a Summer Night," etc., to render at their exit.

Commencement copies of the *Waterville Mail*, which will contain the commencement articles in full and President Small's inaugural address, can be obtained of Mr. C. H. Reynolds.

"Powers," the great glass eater, gave a public exhibition at the college recently. Those who were present will remember with what an air of contentment he masticated a large piece of a lamp chimney which was given him.

Sophomore (translating French)—"The first time that I saw her Majesty again I found her arising from her couch. After the first words of kindness which she addressed to me, she took

off her *bonnet* and told me to observe the effect which her grief had produced upon her hairs."

On the day of the exhibition given by the public schools at the rink, Sam said to some of the boys: "My little girl is going to be tested down there this afternoon. They've got 'em now so they can draw a map so that if they carry them away they can get back to 'Merica all right."

Examinations are over, and once more the student walks about with a smile on his face which portrays his joy at having passed the final three days' misery of the year. May the day speedily come when examinations shall be abolished and a new order of affairs shall be established.

The Freshmen went to Bangor on their exit, the 27th, and banqueted at the Penobscot House. Some of the class wanted to go to Skowhegan, others to Augusta, and it is stated that the places of Winslow, Oakland and Benton were talked of, but a few decided to go to Bangor and let the rest remain at home if they did not wish to go so far away.

One of the professors recently remarked to the Sophomore class that he had received the appointment as census enumerator for Colby and the compensation was two cents a head; for those who were mentally deficient, five cents. One of the class replied as he was passing by the desk, "Well, Professor, I guess you will make more off our class than any other."

One of the Freshmen who holds the position of waiter at the Elmwood, has to leave the noon recitation at ten minutes past twelve. Just as it was approaching the time for him to leave, the other day, the Prof. happened to turn up his card and said: "Mr. R., have you time to read?" Mr. R.—"No, I guess not." And he quickly leaves the room with a triumphant smile on his face.

Prof. Battis offered a prize to the best speaker of the Sophomore class, to be decided in a contest at the last exercise in elocution for the term. The winners of the prizes at the Sophomore Declamation were exempt from the contest but they served as judges in deciding who should speak and who of the speakers should have the prize. The committee of judges passed in their report, which rivalled some of the speeches in length, and awarded the prize to

Mr. Sturtevant, with honorable mention to Messrs. Nichols and Ross.

Let us call the attention to the prizes offered in the last number of the ECHO for the best short story and the best short poem. It will afford an opportunity to those students who possess remarkable literary ability to make it known and will also be a help to the literary department of our publication. It is hoped that a greater number of students will try for this prize than there did last year.

One of our census enumerators met with a peculiar incident. He was addressing his inquiries to a buxom young woman. "How long have you been married?" "Six years," was the reply. "How many children have you living?" "Seven," answered the woman. "Have any died?" Any further inquiries were rendered hazardous by the introduction of the kitchen broom and our enumerator as he hurried away wondered what could have been the matter.

Mr. F. P. King, '90, is learning by sad experience that "bossing a job" is not as pleasant work as it is usually supposed to be. A letter recently received from him closes with the remark, "I came out here to get experience, and I am getting it." Mr. King has been plowing through swamps, ankle-deep in cold water, for the past two weeks. The result is that two of the men have deserted, leaving King and one man in the midst of the woods with a month's provisions for four men on their hands.

During the past two weeks two geologists have been attracted to Waterville by the State Geological Collection in the keeping of the college. The first visitor was the special census agent in charge of the building stones of New England. The second was a gentleman from Cambridge, Mass., who is engaged in the study of the Geology of Maine. Both gentlemen were able to obtain some aid from the collection, although this is not in as good condition as it might have been had it been turned over to the college some fifteen years ago, before the labels that accompanied the specimens had been lost through neglect.

The Young Men's Christian Association elected the following officers for next term at its last meeting: President, C. S. Pease; Vice President, W. N. Donovan; Corresponding Secretary, C. H. Sturtevant; Recording Secretary, W. E. Lombard; Treasurer, C. H. Dodge. The

following committees have been appointed by the president of the association: Devotional, A. K. Rogers, A. F. Caldwell; Membership, A. T. Watson, E. C. Teague; Missionary, W. N. Donovan, Wm. Fletcher, C. F. Stimson; General Religious Work, J. B. Slocomb, A. G. Hurd, W. E. Lombard; Intercollegiate, A. H. Chipman, C. H. Sturtevant.

#### ATHLETICS.

We sympathize with Bowdoin in her recent defeat on the water. With experience we hope success may follow. Maine muscle will conquer in the end.

The financial condition of the Base Ball Association as shown in the manager's report below is excellent. This year has been a success financially as well as on the diamond. The manager has our congratulations.

That vexed pennant question, which threatened at one time to involve us in serious complications, has been settled much to our satisfaction by the Bates-M. S. C. game at Bangor. While we think that Manager Burke's position as expressed in the *Lewiston Journal* was perfectly tenable and honorable as well, yet we are glad that the question has been even more emphatically decided on other ground.

The annual meeting of the Base Ball Association was held in the Chapel, June 24, to choose officers for the ensuing year. The following officers were elected: President and Manager, A. H. Chipman, '91; Vice President, W. B. Andrews, '92; Secretary, H. L. Pierce, '92; Treasurer, G. H. Stoddard, '91; 1st Director, F. W. Johnson, '91; 2nd Director, C. H. Sturtevant, '92; 3rd Director, H. M. Conners, '93; Capt. of University Nine, D. W. Parsons, '91; Capt. of 2nd Nine, C. F. Megquier, '91; Scorer, A. T. Watson, '91; Assistant Scorer, C. E. Cohen, '92. It was voted to raise the yearly tax upon each member of the association from three to five dollars. Three rousing cheers were given for Manager Burke, after which the meeting adjourned.

The twelfth annual Field Day of the Colby Athletic Association occurred on the campus, June 14. Although the weather did not look very promising, quite a good number of spectators gathered on the grand stand and in spite of the rain which fell at intervals they witnessed the contests to their close. Although there has



been less enthusiasm than usual manifested in athletics this season, the contests were nearly all close and interesting. The list of contests and their winners are as follows:

One Hundred Yards Dash. 1st prize, Parsons, 10 1-2 sec.; 2nd prize, Mathews. Best Colby record, 10 sec.

Throwing Hammer. 1st prize, McCann, 71 feet; 2nd prize, Leadbetter, 70 feet, 1 inch. Best Colby record, 77 feet, 2 inches.

Standing High Jump. 1st prize, Mathews, 4 feet, 5 inches; 2nd, O. L. Hall, 4 feet, 3 inches. Best Colby record, 4 feet, 9 inches.

Running Broad Jump. 1st prize, Teague, 17 feet, 9 1-2 inches; 2nd, Averell, 17 feet, 1-2 inch. Best Colby record, 18 feet, 1 inch.

Putting Shot. 1st prize, Leadbetter, 29 feet, 8 inches; 2nd, McCann, 29 feet, 1 1-2 inches. Best Colby record, 31 feet, 4 3-4 inches.

Three Legged Race. 1st prize, Mathews and Teague, 13 2-5 sec; 2nd, Pease and Stoddard, 15 sec.

Pole Vault. 1st prize, Parsons, 6 feet, 5 inches; 2nd, H. F. Kalloch, 6 feet. Best Colby record, 8 feet, 4 inches.

Seventy-five Yards Backward Dash. 1st prize, Mathews, 12 sec.; 2nd, D. P. Foster.

Running High Jump. 1st prize, O. L. Hall, 4 feet, 11 inches; 2nd, Teague, 4 feet, 10 inches. Best Colby record, 5 feet, 4 inches.

Hurdle Race (100 yards, 5 hurdles). 1st prize, Parsons, 14 sec; 2nd, O. L. Hall, 14 4-5 sec.

Throwing Base Ball. 1st prize, D. P. Foster, 270 feet; 2nd, A. T. Watson. Best Colby record, 314 feet, 7 inches.

Obstacle Race. 1st prize, Teague.

Standing Broad Jump. 1st prize, Leadbetter, 9 feet, 7 inches; 2nd, Averell. Best Colby record, 11 feet, 3 inches.

Potato race. 1st prize, Leadbetter; 2nd Stoddard.

MANAGER'S REPORT.

J. E. BURKE IN ACCOUNT WITH COLBY BASE BALL ASSOCIATION.

DR.

To cash rec'd from Treasurer Patten.....	\$299.80
“ “ city subscriptions.....	102.40
“ “ faculty.....	58.00
“ “ alumni (outside of city)...	34.00
“ “ Treasurer Chipman.....	30.00
“ “ students.....	14.00
“ “ Manager Jones.....	16.48
“ “ Manager Garcelon.....	5.00

\$559.68

CR.

By cash paid for R. R. fares.....	\$121.00
“ “ “ hotel bills.....	60.30
“ “ “ visiting clubs.....	97.30
“ “ “ W. G. Ladd.....	35.00
“ “ “ Ladd's board.....	30.00
“ “ “ W. D. Spaulding.....	40.00
“ “ “ umpiring.....	23.41
“ “ “ C. H. Hayes.....	18.40
“ “ “ balls, bases, gloves, &c.....	16.90
“ “ “ telegraphing.....	14.80
“ “ “ Gibbs & Pulsifer (balance)..	20.00
“ “ “ Spencer & Mathews.....	12.00

“ “ Ed Halde for work.....	6.00
“ “ “ hacking.....	13.15
“ “ “ postage and printing.....	7.35
“ “ D. W. Parsons.....	15.00
“ “ A. P. Wagg.....	9.00
“ “ “ incidentals.....	10.15
“ cash to balance.....	9.92

\$559.68

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A. B. PATTEN IN ACCOUNT WITH COLBY BASE BALL ASSOCIATION.

DR.

To receipts from students.....	\$335.00
“ “ “ games.....	198.34

\$533.34

CR.

By amt. paid Manager Burke.....	\$299.80
“ “ “ for general expenses.....	228.83
“ balance on hand.....	4.71

\$533.34

The tennis tournament has been nearly played off, but a few games remain to be played before the championship can be decided. The list which is added below gives the series of games, the number won by each player and the per cent. attained. Three prizes are offered which are to be medals—one for the winner of the singles, and two for the winners of the doubles. It will be seen by the schedule that C. F. Megquier now stands at the head of the list of the singles, and Megquier and Wyman head the list of doubles.

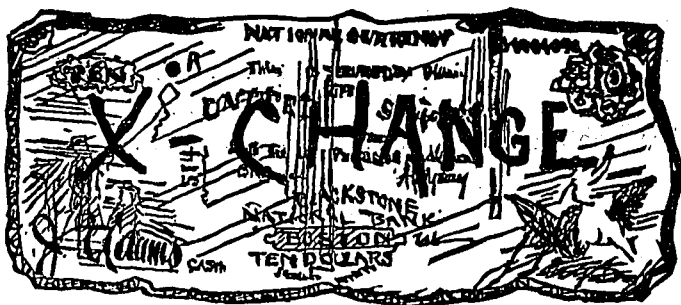
SERIES OF SINGLES.

	WON.	PER CENT.
Megquier,	8	1.000
Wyman,	8	.888
Stoddard,	8	.888
Averell,	6	.750
Chipman,	4	.666
Nichols,	4	.666
Rogers,	4	.666
Campbell,	4	.666
Connors,	3	.600
Kalloch, H. K.,	2	.500
Miller,	2	.500
Whitney,	2	.500
Leadbetter,	2	.500
Merchant,	2	.500
Johnson, '01,	1	.333
Millett,	1	.333
Dunham,	1	.333
Stark,	1	.333
Andrews,	1	.333
Sturtevant, '01,	1	.333
Perkins,	0	.000
Isley,	0	.000
Pierce,	0	.000
Watson, '01,	0	.000
Cary,	0	.000
Getchell,	0	.000
Smith, '00,	0	.000
Hurd,	0	.000
Stover,	0	.000

Cohen, 0 .000  
Smith, '93, 0 .000

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	WON.	PER CENT.
Megquier & Wyman,	4	1,000
Johnson & Averell,	3	.750
Bickmore & Ogier,	3	.750
Mathews & Rogers,	3	.750
Hall & Conners.	3	.750
Campbell & Stoddard,	2	5.00
Whelden & Merchant,	1	.333
Stover & Andrews,	1	.333
Dunham & Fletcher,	1	.333
Sturtevant & Barron,	1	.333
Luce & Whitney,	0	.000
Miller & Leadbetter,	0	.000
Jordan & Cohen,	0	.000
Chipman & Fall,	0	.000
Nichols & Kalloch,	0	.000
Watson & Hsley,	0	.000



## A GIRL I KNOW.

Who was it charmed me with her eyes,  
And led me on in skilful wise  
With many a smile of sweet surprise?  
A girl I know.

Who was it made me sigh and pine,  
With doubts and fears and fancies fine,  
Till, fond, I asked her to be mine?  
A girl I know.

Who was it lightly waved her fan,  
To check the vows my tongue began,  
And said she loved another man?  
A girl I know

— Williams Weekly.

Many of us have met her.

An interesting article on California is found in the *College Transcript* of June 12.

Among the finely written articles in the *Tref-tonian*, one especially deserves attention. The title of the story is "Don."

We notice an article in the *Norfolk Collegian*, entitled "From Theocracy to Theocracy." The author seems to strive for effect in choice of words with quite a commendable degree of success.

We find in quite a number of college publications a discussion of the proposed change in the college course from four years to three. Whether this change will be for the best or not remains to be seen.

"The editor's life is not always a happy one. Many of our readers, who step up to the post

office every month, put their hand in the box and pull out an *Ariel*, may think that that is all there is to the getting out of a paper; that all the editor has to do is to tap his prolific brain, cry presto! and have the papers all ready for distribution. But if he serves a term as editor he will find how greatly mistaken he is."

We can sympathize with you, as we have met the same difficulties ourselves.

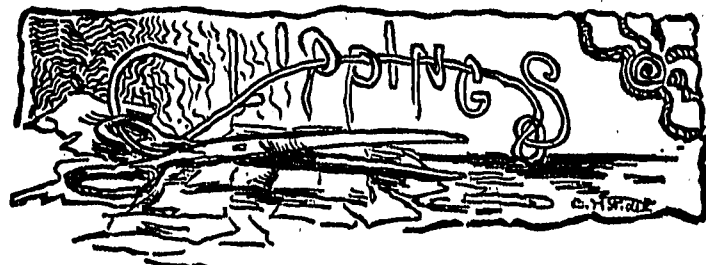
In the editorials of the *Oberlin Review* we came across a pretty good suggestion. It was to have class phonographs take the place of class pictures:

"Let one be placed on the commencement platform to catch the flood of eloquence and embalm it for future years. Pictures grow dim, but this will forever preserve the living, thrilling tones of the human voice with great accuracy, so as to recall the reality much better than a retouched photograph can."

We quote the following criticism from an article in the *Fortnightly Review*, entitled "The Writings of E. P. Roe:"

"Certainly no one claims for them a high rank in the line of fiction. They are classed as light reading, with the proviso, however, that they were light reading with a moral.

"It is mainly this moral element that gives them their popularity among those who otherwise do not indulge in trashy novels. Yes, the writings of E. P. Roe have a moral. We are painfully conscious that they have a moral. It is about all they do have that is praiseworthy. We concede, then, that their moral influence may be for good. But we maintain that they are destructive of sound literary taste, and productive of sickly sentimentalism, that the perusal of them consumes much valuable time without adequate compensation, that they dull the perception, impair the judgment and form bad habits in reading."



Of all sad words of lad or lass  
The saddest are these, "I did not pass!"

A Japanese holds one of the professorships in Yale.

Atlanta, Ga., University has a course in black-smithing.

In the recent oratorical contest at Harvard a negro took the prize.

The Seniors at Williams College are to wear the cap and gown this year.

The University of Wisconsin has beaten three professional ball teams this year.

Dartmouth and Williams have abandoned class day and the accompanying exercises.

The president of the Pekin University is translating Shakspeare's works into Chinese.

Four college dailies are now in circulation. Princeton, Harvard, Yale and Cornell each publish one.

The city of Helena gave two hundred and fifty acres of land to the Montana University, which is now being built.

Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia have made arrangements for holding entrance examinations in Paris next year.

The oldest college in the world is the Moham-medon College at Cairo, Egypt, which was 1,800 years old when Oxford was founded.

Oliver Wendell Holmes commenced his literary career as an editor of a college journal. His first verses were written for his magazine.

A second expedition will be made this year from Princeton, to investigate the Gulf Stream, the results of last year's trip having been so fruitful.

Six Siamese students have been sent by the government of Siam to be educated in this country. They will go to Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa.



MY ROMANCE.

I met her on the train ;  
 The first sight made me sigh ;  
 But when she shot a glance at me  
 Out of her bright blue eye,  
 My heart was wholly won.  
 There was a friend with each,  
 And I in vain did strive to gain,  
 With her, the boon of speech.  
 But soon the train was stopped,  
 And I rejoiced to see  
 My princess and her friend alight  
 At the same place with me.  
 Ah, now I could discover  
 My charmer's dwelling place ;

"We'll follow them, my friend," said I,  
 But keep at proper space.

We follow them a mile,  
 Alas the bitter cup !  
 A child runs out and greets her with :  
 "Mama, do take me up."

Student reading.

On my *dun* colored steed as I galloped away  
 Through the fresh fragrant air of a morning in May,  
 When I glanced to my right to my left, it was seen  
 That the corn all around was resplendently *green*.

Teacher.

Sir, will you pardon my mention to you of a fact ;  
 No matter how potent your presence may act,  
 Or whatever the color your glances between,  
 If *you* were not there *still* the corn would be green.

—*Athenaeum*



[Contributions from alumni and alumnae are earnestly solicited.—Ed.]

Ex-President Pepper and wife passed through Waterville recently, *en route* to Houlton.

The degree of D.D. was conferred upon Rev. W. H. Spencer at the commencement of Brown University.

'39.

Dr. Joseph Ricker was in Waterville, visiting friends, on the 20th.

'43.

James N. Merrill, Esq., of Rockford, Iowa, is expected in Waterville, commencement, to visit his classmate, Prof. Foster.

'44.

Rev. J. B. Wheelwright is pastor of the Congregationalist church at Anoka, Minn.

'58.

Hon. S. S. Brown was one of the speakers at the Board of Trade banquet.

'63.

Thomas Judson Neal died in Cincinnati, May 23, of Bright's disease.

Hon. Percival Bonney, accompanied by his daughter, will be here during commencement.

'64.

Dr. F. C. Thayer sails on July 5 for Europe. While abroad he will attend the International Convention of Physicians and Surgeons held in Berlin.

'66.

Rev. Francis W. Bakeman, D.D., is expected commencement:

'68.

Rev. E. S. Small, recently pastor at Livermore Falls, has been obliged to retire from the pulpit on account of ill health and has entered the real estate business in Boston.

'72.

The Memorial Day sermon delivered by Rev. H. R. Mitchell at North Uxbridge, Mass., has been printed by request of the Post.

W. W. Perry is chairman of the Prohibition State Committee. He has also recently been elected editor of the *Portland Herald*, the organ of the Prohibition party.

'75.

We are pleased to note that Dr. Howard is on the fair road to recovery.

'76.

Dr. A. W. Small delivered one of the brightest and most elaborate after-dinner speeches ever heard in Waterville, at the collation given by the Unitarian conference.

'81.

"A Lesson for the Young," from the pen of Rev. J. M. Wyman is a very interesting and noteworthy article. It appeared in *Zion's Advocate*, June 11.

'84.

P. S. Lindsey was on the campus last week.

Walter C. Emerson, proprietor of the *Portland Advertiser*, was on the campus last week.

C. W. Morrill, one of the real estate nabobs of Tacoma, Wash., has arrived in Maine to spend the summer. He will be in Waterville commencement week.

Prof. Shailer Mathews delivered the address before the graduating class of the Calais High School, June 19. He also attended the anniversary exercises of the Ricker Classical Institute.

'86.

L. C. Bridgham is in business at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Byron Boyd was in the city recently. He expects to reap a fortune in Bar Harbor this summer.

'87.

A. L. Snow is head waiter at the Augusta House.

Miss Bessie Mortimer is visiting friends in Waterville.

Harvey Eaton has returned from the Harvard Law School to spend the summer vacation.

'88.

J. F. Tilton was in Waterville recently.

Miss Mary E. Farr, who has been teaching in Osage Seminary, Osage, Iowa, returned home last week to attend commencement.

W. B. Suckling, principal of the High School in Georgetown, Col., has returned home to spend the vacation. He is expected in Waterville commencement.

Miss Bertha Brown, assistant principal of the Georgetown High School, passed through Waterville last week *en route* to her home in Bangor. Miss Brown will attend commencement.

'89.

Parker P. Burleigh is expected to be present commencement.

C. H. Pepper has been in the city on business several times of late.

'90.

C. W. Averell has completely enumerated the inhabitants of Alna.

Walter Cary is sojourning at his home in Houlton until after the *Oracle* comes out.

Merton L. Miller went to Halifax, N. S., June 20, where he will visit Frye, '89, vice consul general.

Mr. A. P. Wagg has been playing second base for the Frederictons since the Senior vacation began.

Rev. F. A. Gilmore will preach in Winthrop during the vacation. He intends to enter the Harvard Divinity School in the fall.

George N. Hurd completed a very successful term of the Fairfield High School, June 27. Mr. Hurd has won many deserved compliments by his faithful work during his reign as a pedagogue.

'91.

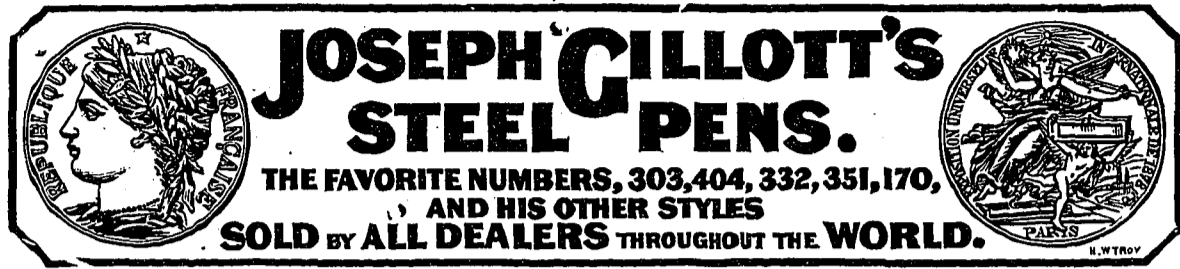
Mr. A. M. Dick has been appointed special theatre correspondent for the ECHO.

D. W. Parsons came down from St. John to attend Field Day. He went back loaded with medals.

'92.

W. N. Donovan will spend the summer in canvassing.

Knapp Kalloch has secured a position as clerk in the Pemaquid Hotel at Pemaquid Point.



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