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SOME time ago a suggestion was made in regard to work on the ECHO. The writer stated, that, in other colleges, work on a college publication was accepted in place of the regular work in English composition; he advocated the adoption of this plan at Colby, because it would give the editors a better chance and thus raise the standard of the ECHO. The suggestion apparently fell dead; for nobody has mentioned it, or heard of it since. Why this was so we do not know, but it is very evident, to the editors at least, that some action should have been taken. Ask one of them, two or three hours before his copy must be handed in, if it is ready, and he will promptly say: "No I have had no time to give to the work, but I suppose I must take time now." This need not be the case, if the proposed plan were carried out; for each one would feel that a definite and sufficient portion of his time should be set apart for this work, and that it should come at a regular day and hour, just as the time for the preparation of any regular college exercise comes. The ECHO Association should not fail to take some action in this matter at the next meeting, which will occur in a few weeks. Such a change would be good both for the ECHO and the future editors, and all, who have an interest in this, should think it over and be ready to act, when the time comes.

THE Juniors have commenced to discuss "Presentation Day" and we shall watch the progress of the discussion with interest. It is true,

that Presentation is costly and it comes at a time of the year when many bills are coming in; but it ought not to be passed over, for the college certainly needs objects of art just as much as the homes of private individuals need them. How could these things be given to the college more appropriately, or with less inconvenience to the donors, than by a class in college; how could we better demonstrate to the world at large our enthusiasm for our *Alma Mater*? We certainly do not wish her to lack any of the needful things, and especially those which other colleges have in abundance. The Juniors, by the time they have finished their course, will have given the college a splendid present of books to the value of a hundred dollars or more; but we hope that Presentation Day will not be omitted in the future; for such an omission will surely be regretted as a mistake. More than this Presentation Day is one of the main features of Commencement exercises and its omission would leave an awkward gap. The spirit of innovation may be a good thing, but when we drop a custom, let us be ready to substitute for it something better.

THE first of the league games will be played on the twenty-seventh inst., and there is a prospect of a very interesting base ball season. The fact that there are three colleges in the league will make the contest more interesting than that of last year. Some of the newspapers have already decided how the different clubs will stand at the end of the season, and, needless to say, have not presented a flattering picture of success for Colby. However, it is well to remember that no contest is decided until it is finished. It is true that the loss of Whitman will be a serious drawback, but the team has not gone to pieces entirely; and our opponents may yet find us worthy of their steel. The pitcher we have, through the courtesy of the other two colleges in allowing a specialist to play on our team, can pitch a good game, and the rest of our men are up to the average of college ball players, and some even above. It would hardly seem reasonable or courageous, under these circumstances, to give up the ghost

just now because somebody has said we are going to die. So live on boys, and "play the game."

ARRANGEMENTS have been made to hold an Intercollegiate field day; three delegates met at Lewiston and after considerable discussion an association was formed. It was decided that the gate money received at each meet shall be divided equally between the three parties to the association, wherever the meet should be held in this and succeeding years. This seems indeed, to be the fairest possible financial basis, for each party will have a share of the receipts each year and each one will get one third of the total proceeds for any number of years. This association will doubtless meet with approbation and enthusiasm from all the colleges and good results are to be expected. Not only base ball and tennis, but athletics in general will feel the impetus of intercollegiate contest. This stimulus is nowhere needed more than at Colby; a fact which any of the students will readily declare. Let us do our part toward making this new movement a success, not only by practicing for the event, but by giving what financial support it may need. Our own annual Field Day will not be omitted and we wish to say just a word about it here. It often happens that the lower classes and especially the Freshman class, do not have as many men in the various contests as they should. There is good material in these classes, and no need, or excuse for waiting until the Junior year before developing it. In '91 the Sophomores won the silver cup and this should be a constant reminder to the lower classes that a similar possibility is before them. If we could make them realize this, we feel sure, they would respond in the most appropriate way—in action.



OUR FOREIGN MERCHANT MARINE.

A nation having in her power the cheapest and most efficient means of transportation, especially to foreign ports, has a decided advan-

tage over all other countries. Not only does she become very conspicuous by having her flag floating upon every sea, but a large merchant marine betokens prosperity at home, and abundance of wealth in manufactures and produce.

Perhaps it is not generally known that a difference in cost of a single penny in laying down grain at Liverpool, decides whether this product shall come from the United States or from the agricultural districts of Hungary and Southern Prussia. This country makes to the ocean carrying trade its most valuable contribution and annually our commerce amounts to 15,000,000 tons. There are splendid opportunities for shipping yet untried, as the imports of Australia and New Zealand, for example, amount to over \$400,000,000, and their necessities demand the articles we make most skillfully and supply most cheaply. As for return cargoes, they have many things we want to buy cheaply and are compelled to pay dearly for. In 1879, Australia sent to England wool valued at \$35,000,000, and the next year we imported from the latter country \$25,000,000 worth of the same staple, thus probably buying second-hand wool for double freights and brokerages.

Although the United States possesses not only the finest railroads, but also the best lines of sound, river and coasting steamers in the world, yet when we turn to foreign trade, the most important of all, we find that she ranks sixth. Out of all the many noted steamship lines running between this country and Europe, but one is owned by Americans and sails under the American flag.

After the war of 1812, our commerce began to expand, and emphasized by the splendid service of our navy just at that time, soon came to be recognized as the best in the world. Our mariners had no equal, our ships were navigated most economically, our flag came to be respected everywhere, and the American traveller and seaman felt at home wherever he went. In 1850, the famous yacht race occurred at Cowes, England, in which the schooner-yacht *America* made fully evident our superiority in sailing vessels.

But from that time to the present day, the decadence of our foreign shipping has been

rapid and astonishing. Probably the chief causes were, that about this time the transition from wooden to iron ships took place, and also the substitution of steam for sails. The success of iron steamships gave to England the opportunity she had long desired—of seizing upon the carrying trade of the world—and she was not slow to take advantage of it. She at once aided her shipping interests by liberal mail pay, by subsidies, and also by guaranteeing seven and eight per cent dividends to capitalists. Even Parliament, in 1854, established a Board of Trade, with its president a member of the ministry, for the sole purpose of furthering British commerce and British shipping. They revised their shipping laws so as to remove every burden from their merchant marine and to afford every possible facility for gaining possession of the ocean.

If at the same time our government had come forward and assisted her marine, by devising new shipping laws and removing every burden from vessels engaged in the foreign trade, we should not have been today lamenting over so humiliating a decadence of our shipping. If she had given the same assistance to her shipping that she did to establish railroads in the West, when she granted millions of money and hundreds of millions of acres of lands, and when she appropriated vast sums to improve our harbors and rivers, that these enormous English steamships might come into our ports, probably the results would have been far different. But on account of her inaction, from the 82 per cent of commerce formerly carried by American ships, it has now diminished to 12 per cent, and unless something is quickly done the American flag will have faded from the sea. The grain fleet sailing annually from New York numbers about 3,000 vessels, of which 1,800 are sailing vessels and the remainder steamships, but among all of these only 75 are American sailing vessels and not one an American steamer.

Such a decay in our merchant marine has also caused a similar reaction in the navy, and until the past two years we have had practically no navy at all. Members of Congress have agreed that unless we had foreign ships to protect, there was "no need of a navy," and there

is more truth than fiction in such arguments. Before our nation can have an efficient navy and one that can be run without a great expense, it must have steamship lines owned by American citizens running to different parts of the globe, consisting of powerful iron steamers that may be called into service by our government in any time of need.

From the arguments advanced, we have seen the former place America held in foreign commerce, and its place today. Our commerce had gone to the very foremost of man's adventure on the high seas; then paused, retreated, and finally almost perished. That ships are profitable abroad needs no further comment than the fact that England's capitalists put millions in it every year. We were a great maritime people, and thus possess those qualities so essential for success upon the ocean, viz:—national instinct and necessities of environment, in land, population, and geographical position.

And now as to the manner of reviving it. Subsidies will not bring it about, and the great foreign trades of other countries have not been established by a grant of public money to a favored few, but by the opening of the world's commerce to the bold essay of free men in free ships. To regain our position and obtain our share of the world's carrying trade, certain measures must be adopted, as the following:—First, the admission to American register of all ships over 3,000 tons, and the admission, duty free, of all materials to be used in the construction and repair of such vessels. Second, the exemption from taxation, local and national, on all vessels engaged in the foreign trade for more than eight months in the year. Third, a general and equitable postal bill with fair compensation for carrying the mails. Other minor measures should also be adopted, as the training of seamen, the prevention of such enormous pilorage, consular and hospital fees.

But when Congress and the people shall regard it as of some consequence, whether or not we have a merchant marine sailing under the American flag, ready to obey the call of our government in time of need; when they realize that our commerce is dependent on it as well as our own independence in peace and safety in war,

then probably we shall witness a much needed change, and our shipping will begin to revive. When our government pays some attention to her foreign carrying trade, and makes it feasible to build the kind of vessels required for foreign trade as cheaply as do other countries, then, perhaps, we shall regain our proud position.

And, finally, when our leading politicians and officials, whether advocates that shine in the broad light-beam of free trade, or are glorious in the panoply of protection, shall treat this subject as it should be, the only necessary element of our country's success will be steadfast.

MONHEGAN ISLE.

This island, situated about forty miles east of Portland, is one that always attracts the attention of strangers sailing along our coast. It lies out in the open sea, ten miles from shore, and is about six miles in circumference. We find it mentioned in history as far back as 1605, when Captain George Weymouth, sailing northward from Cape Cod, touched here, and from his glowing accounts of it, many people flocked there, especially those desiring to fish. Not long after him, John Smith arrived at Monhegan, and in 1622 it became permanently settled by Europeans, who did a flourishing business in fishing and trading.

Several naval fights have taken place near its shores, the most important of which was the great conflict between the British brig Boxer and the United States brig Enterprise. After a hard struggle the American brig came off victorious, but not until its commander, Lieutenant Burrows was severely wounded.

The inhabitants obtained a good living by fishing and to this day it is the chief occupation. It has an excellent harbor formed by two islands, Monhegan proper and Monanas, and is often frequented by trading vessels. Monhegan never was incorporated as a town but is called a plantation and the people living there cannot vote in State elections, but support their schools by private subscriptions.

They have no horses on the island but one or two yokes of oxen do all their plowing, trucking, and other work that requires such help. Their mail is brought in a boat from Boothbay

Harbor, three times a week, when weather permits, but of course is very uncertain, since she is propelled by sails only. Most of their other stores, or what they cannot raise on the island, are brought here, and passengers to get on the island, must take passage on this sloop.

The captain of this craft amuses his passengers by telling of his experiences, which in the winter season are full of peril and danger, and several times the boat has lost all of her sails and drifted at the mercy of the waves, until picked up by some vessel.

In the summer the men intend to earn enough by fishing to keep them through the winter, but during the last few years this has been impossible owing to the scarcity of fish, and many have been compelled to lobster during this cold season. Yet here the thermometer never goes so low as back in the country, owing probably, to the effect of the salt water.

Monhegan has one of the few first-class light-houses on this coast and connected with it is an immense fog horn, which gives warning to approaching vessels. The light is a revolving one, as nautical men say, *i. e.*, the flame is surrounded by a revolving globe which is transparent to the light only on one side, and it is only when this side comes around that you can see the light at all. This is so arranged because if the light was fixed as many are, to a mariner coming on the coast it would be difficult to tell it from many others.

Of late years this island has been frequented by quite a good many summer visitors, who are attracted there by the beautiful scenery, the quietness of the village and people, but chiefly by the unusual advantages it offers for fishing.

MAINE INTER-COLLEGIATE TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. NAME.

SEC. 1. This Association shall be called the Maine Inter-Collegiate Tennis Association.

ARTICLE II. OBJECT.

SEC. 1. The object of this Association shall

be to further the best interests of tennis in the colleges of the State.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1. This Association shall include the four Maine colleges, viz: Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, and Maine State College.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Association.

SEC. 2. These four officers shall constitute an Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V. AMENDMENT.

This Constitution may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the Association.

RICHARD C. PAYSON,

President Bowdoin Tennis Association.

NELSON W. HOWARD,

For Bates Athletic Association.

EUGENE H. STOVER,

President Colby Tennis Association.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I. MEETING.

SEC. 1. This Association shall hold an annual meeting on the first Saturday in March, for the election of officers and the transaction of other business.

SEC. 2. At all meetings of the Association each college shall be entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings, and shall act as chairman of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. The Vice President shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President, and shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 3. The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings and shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association and shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee shall have charge of all the business of the Association and supervision of all tournaments.

ARTICLE III. TOURNAMENT.

SEC. 1. This Association shall hold a tournament in the spring of each year, on such a date and at such a place as the Executive Committee may decide upon at the annual meeting.

SEC. 2. At all tournaments of this kind, each college shall be represented by two men in singles and four men in doubles.

SEC. 3. The rules of the National Lawn Tennis Association shall govern all play.

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The Seniors had their first "quiz" in Sociology last Tuesday.

"Tate" umpires the practice games. The boys put up with it very well.

Clark, '94, went home to Waterboro, Wednesday, for a few day's visit.

Stimpson, '93, gets around again. But he has to move very gingerly.

Clark, '94, assisted at the Easter service at the Good Will Farm, last Sunday.

Perkins, Bates '93, was the guest of Hight, '93, for a few days last week.

Wadsworth says: "No man can insure in my company till he proves that he is alive." No chance for Peleg.

Merrill, '92, preached at Monson last Sunday.

Dr. Small returned from Chicago, Friday, the 15th, and preached an Easter sermon at Bangor, Sunday.

Col. A. J. Small of Portland, has given to the library a copy of his new book, "The History of the 16th Me."

The Senior class, at class meeting last Saturday, elected G. W. Singer class historian in place of A. T. Watson, resigned.

Prof. Bayley gave the Geology division of the Seniors the first cut for four years, last Tuesday. Thanks, Professor.

The study of the Greek Testament is bringing to the surface a surprising ignorance of Scriptural history, on the part of some of the Seniors.

Fred Latlip, '92, our third baseman got a clip from a ball, last Saturday, that made his eye as big as a base ball. He is around all right just the same.

Jackson, '95, our darling short stop had eleven chances in last Saturday's game and accepted them all. He is going to cut off lots of safe hits in his territory.

All the winter term bills of the Freshmen are decorated with demerits this term. Some of them handled their feet too carelessly in elocution last winter.

Cupe has taken the position of manager of the Zeta club at Marston's in place of Graves resigned. Charles J. Ross, '92, is running Cupe's old club at Mrs. Lowe's.

The syndicate owning the tennis court near North College has issued more stock, taken in new stockholders, clayed their court, and now have the best court in college.

Gen Butler and his publishers have granted a special dispensation, permitting his autobiography to occupy a place on the shelves of our library. Both the General and the publishers express the greatest pleasure at being able to grant this favor to the college and express an urgent desire that the faculty and students shall subscribe freely. General Butler very properly still has a tender regard for his *Alma Mater*.

Prof. Bayley has secured from the Smithsonian Institute, in behalf of the National Museum, about 160 ichthyological specimens. Prof. Bayley has a way of keeping up with the times and

of securing for his department everything that makes it instructive and interesting. These fish are from all parts of the United States and comprise specimens of salt and fresh water families. The fishes filled a large tin can. Each was carefully tied up in a square of white cotton cloth with a slip of paper bearing a number referring to an accompanying catalogue. The whole was immersed in salt water and alcohol. Prof. Bayley and his assistant had a nice little time arranging them properly in bottles. Thomas B. Reed secured the collection for Colby.

The representatives of the Bowdoin, Bates and Colby Athletic Association had a meeting at Lewiston, April 16, to arrange for an Intercollegiate Field Day. Some steps were taken in organizing an Intercollegiate Association. It was decided to hold the Field Day with the several colleges in rotation. It is to be held with Bates in '92, Bowdoin in '93, and Colby in '94. As arranged it will be held this year, June 10, on the State Fair Grounds. It is the intention of the managers to have an experienced referee from Massachusetts, and to have three qualified timers, together with a judge from each of the three colleges. Thus, the records made will not be questioned. Each college will be allowed to enter five men and to start three. The scoring will be 1st, to count five points, 2nd, two, and 3rd, three. Each college association is to pay the expenses of its own team and to share equally in the net receipts. The prize will probably be a cup, open to competition every year. The list of events as decided upon is as follows:

- 100 yards dash.
- 220 yards dash.
- 440 yards dash.
- Pole vault.
- Standing broad jump.
- Standing high jump.
- Running broad jump.
- Throwing 16lb. hammer.
- Putting 16lb. shot.
- 1 mile run.
- 2 mile run.
- 1 mile walk.
- 120 yards hurdle race.
- 220 yards hurdle race.

The organization of the Intercollegiate Associ-

ation will be completed next week. From past records Colby ought to send a strong team to Lewiston.

Cy's jaw is doing nicely and he can talk a little when he wishes.

The nine played ball in Portland, Fast Day, with the Lovell nine.

Miss S. L. Brown went home for a short visit through the Fast Day recess.

The nine will play ball to-day at Pittsfield, with the Maine Central Institute team.

The '95 girls, it is said, take their suppers with them, so as to "stay after school" with 'Fessor.

Prof. Bayley, taking advantage of the Fast Day cuts, went to South Paris this week, after minerals.

Two delegates from the Colby Y. W. C. A. visited the Bates Y. W. C. A. during the last vacation.

Repeated confessions of inability to recite on the part of one of the Juniors, led the German Professor to pronounce the verdict of "Chestnuts."

Practice for the new drama goes steadily on and no lack of work on the part of those who participate mars or will mar the prospect of success.

Tennis is beginning to present a lively appearance and the most of our best players are putting in daily practice, preparing for a lively contest in the coming tournament. It looks now as though there will be a hard fought battle to decide the championship in singles. Andrews, Connors, and Perkins are each doing their best. They are very evenly matched and will make things lively when they come up against each other in singles. Extensive improvements have been made on the Library court, Delta Upsilon court, and the Phi Delta Theta court. There are still several other courts to be marked out and the sooner this is done the better. Tennis is the best game we have for the student body and should be as heartily and enthusiastically supported as base ball is.

The silvery voice of the bloody Sophomore is now heard in the land. He is practicing for the Declamation. Oh, when will this misery cease!

"Robby" and "Tate" have not forgotten how to play tennis yet; for they made a good showing a few days ago, playing against some of the best tennis players in college.

The Athletic Association have elected the following officers: President, G. O. Smith; Vice President, G. W. Hoxie; Treasurer, S. H. Hanson; Directors, E. C. Cohen, H. L. True, J. Kleinhans, S. R. Robinson; Master of Ceremonies, C. E. Cohen.

The selections of the Glee Club at the Good Will Concert were finely rendered and well received. The Club is evidently doing good practice work and it is an organization, of which we have good reason to be proud. Raise the standard higher yet, boys, and let improvement be your motto.

G. W. Singer has presented to the college mineralogical collection two fine specimens; one is a piece of the rare mineral, columbite, the other is a mass of large, almost transparent crystals of calcite. The crystals of the latter specimen are large and definitely formed, and altogether, it is a magnificent specimen.



'79.

A. P. Soule, agent of the American Book Company, was on the campus recently.

'83.

M. A. Johnson, who is engaged in the practice of law at Rockland, was on the campus, Wednesday.

'87.

H. D. Eaton has been appointed by Mayor Jones as the Republican member of the Waterville Board of Registration.

'88.

John F. Tilton, pastor of the Belfast church, was present at the recent missionary meeting in this city and took part in the exercises.

W. C. Philbrook has entered upon his duties as Judge of the Waterville municipal court. F. K. Shaw, '81, has also qualified and begun his work as clerk of the same court.

'89.

E. L. Sampson has lately got out his first catalogue of Foxcroft Academy of which he is the popular principal.

'90.

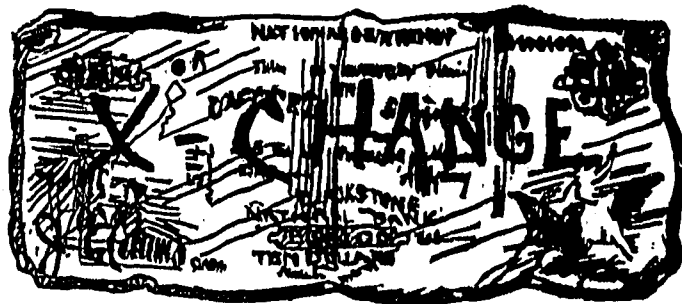
F. A. Gilmore, now of the Divinity School at Harvard, was in the city, Monday. He came down to attend the funeral of a friend at Winthrop, a former pastorate of Mr. Gilmore's.

George N. Hurd has been admitted to the practice of the law in the courts of Colorado and hung out his shingle in the town of Creed, which has recently come into a great deal of prominence as a mining town.

C. W. Spencer is spending a short vacation at his home in this city. He has met with very good success as an instructor in Hebron Academy.

'91.

D. W. Parsons, who is taking the law course at Yale, has received a flattering offer to play ball this season, but has decided to give up playing ball for the present.



From the *Swarthmore Phoenix* we take the following:

"For the benefit of any reader who may chance to feel that there are sometimes unnecessary and perhaps a trifle arbitrary restrictions imposed by the governing powers of some of our American colleges, we refer briefly to the article "Russian Colleges" in a recent number of *Aggie*

Life. After reading of the serious tyranny under which the Russian student is constantly living, one is made to feel more than ever before what a grand thing it is to enjoy the blessings of American liberty, not only political but social. Likewise we realize how utterly insignificant are the petty vexations, real or imaginary, to which American students are occasionally subjected. Let the college student conceive, if he can, of a system of education under the immediate control of a government whose aim, practically if not avowedly, is the maintenance of a curriculum that shall exclude all glimpses of the light of freedom, in the way of work upon government or political history. The system of spies and detectives, ever detested by the American student, is in complete operation there, and any attempts to reach a higher freedom meet with prompt and dire punishment. Professors and instructors themselves serve in the dishonorable capacity of government informers. It is a criminal offense for more than twelve students to congregate in any public place, and the mere possession of any work upon civil-government or even of a debating guide is sufficient cause for arrest. Such, according to *Aggie Life*, is the pleasant existence of the Russian University student."

SONG OF THE EDITOR.

Sing on, ye rhyming idiots,
And revel as ye sing;
We have rejected lots and lots
Of just such songs of spring.

We print these not for merit's sake—
Our taste is still intact—
But that the type your souls might wake
To what it was ye lacked.

Your rhymes are good, your metre fair;
Your wit is often bright;
Your sentiment would raise the hair
Of any listening wight.

But what enshrouds the editor
In misty clouds of blueness,
Is that ye one and all abhor
The slightest trace of newness!

Sing on, ye rhyming maniacs!
The world's less kinder than we—
She stands in waiting with an axe
For just such men as ye!

—University Herald.

'SPACIALLY JIM.

I was mighty good lookin' when I was young,
Peert an' black-eyed an' slim,
With fellars a-courtin' me Sunday nights,
'Spacially Jim.

The likeliest one of them all was he,
Chipper, an' han'som an' trim;
But I tossed up my head and made fun of the crowd,
'Spacially Jim.

I said I hadn't no 'pinion of men,
And I wouldn't take stock in him!
But they kep' a-comin' in spite o' my talk,
'Spacially Jim.

I got so tired 'o havin' 'em round'
('Spacially Jim)

I made up my mind I'd settle down
An' take up with him.

So we was married one Sunday in church
'Twas crowded full to the brim—
'Twas the only way to get rid of 'em all,
'Spacially Jim.

—Anon

SONG OF THE FRESHMAN

The snows have gone
From off the lawn;
O'er yonder meadow scene
The verdure shoots
Its tiny roots.
All Nature smiles serene;
The storm-songs hush,
For Nature's brush
Has painted all things green.
The fresh-daubed blinds are scarcely dry;
The grass dons green
As n'er was seen.
The leaves are green, but fief
I wink the other eye, and sigh,
"They're none so green as I!"

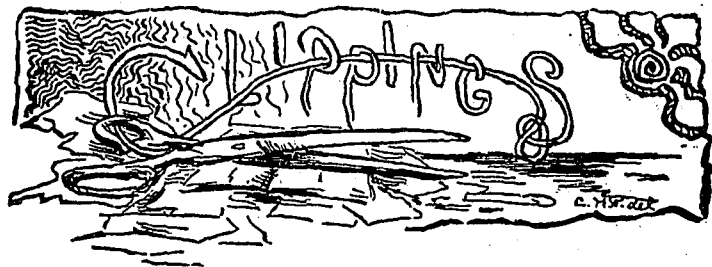
—University Herald.

To-day the Seniors are entering upon the last lap of the race-course, and the goal is glittering before them. For several years the slogan of '92 has been shouted in the halls with prophetic faith and fervor. Now all is reality. It is said that Columbus of '92 fame sat up all night before he discovered his new world. Closely following the example of the illustrious discoverer, some of our "redoubtable" Seniors are keeping nightly vigils—unlike Christopher, however, they are looking after certain tracts of lost ground—Whole continents sometimes must be rediscovered at this time of year. The man who has no back work to worry about is busily engaged in slushing down the ways, that, like a well-

built ship, he may slide from the stocks into the "restless, seething, stormy sea." *Beatus ille* who can look back over his college course without regret, yet even he will always say that he "might have done better." The church, the bench, the pedagogical chair, and the penitentiary are waiting for you, '92, therefore go forth and meet thy future with a stout heart.—*The University Herald*,

The *Ariel* says that a circular letter is at hand from the Pope Manufacturing Company advocating the formation of an association composed of instructors, publishers and writers for the purpose of eliminating errors from school and college text books. Some time ago they offered a prize to the teacher first pointing out an error of fact in any text book now in use. In trying to gain this prize it is surprising how many absolute misstatements were found, especially in grammar school histories and geographies. An example given is: "The earth moves in a circle around the sun." Of course, such errors drilled into the scholars in the common schools must be afterwards unlearned. This company now advocates the formation of an association to work in co-operation with the publishers and offer considerable award for the detection of such blunders in current school works, and towards this end they offer \$100 and ask for suggestions and assistance from those interested in education.

In the same paper we find the following soliloquy on "The Senior." Far from the maddening throng. He has forgotten the trials of his earlier career, but remembers the mistakes of Moses. He has grown larger in every way through faith in himself and high license. He is "not the first by whom the new is tried, nor yet the last to lay the old aside." He enjoys his inheritance with the saints on earth and is not in a hurry to die.



Williams will celebrate its centennial in 1893.

A new Harvard song-book has just been issued.

The faculty of the Chicago University will be American, only six of the one hundred teachers being from abroad.

Within the year the number of colleges and universities in the United States has increased by twenty-three, the total being three hundred and eighty-four.

The Trinity corporation has decided to erect a five-story building for the Architectural department.

A generous gift of \$50,000 has been received from an English "well-wisher" of University Extension in America. The sum is to be devoted to the assisting of needy students.

The building fund of the Wesleyan Y. M. C. A., has reached \$31,336.

An Institute of Technology will probably be added to Chicago University, although the arrangement will cause considerable change in the plans of the institution.

The class regatta at Columbia will take place on the 23d of this month. The course will be one mile on the Harlem river.

Since 1850 the *Yale Literary Magazine* has offered, annually, a prize of twenty-five dollars for the best essay by an undergraduate. This year the honor was taken by a Junior, a son of President Dwight.

The University of Nebraska has abolished the time-honored names senior, junior, sophomore, and freshman, and in future no distinction will be made in nomenclature, save in the case of freshman year, which will be known as the "first

year of residence." The number of hours per week taken by each student determines his advancement.

American colleges have been represented in the office of President of the United States as follows: Williams and Mary, 3; Harvard, 2; Princeton, Bowdoin, Williams, Union, Dixon, Hampden, Sydney, Kenyon, University of North Carolina, West Point and Miami, one each.

As promised several weeks ago, the *Princetonian* has begun to issue a daily. In this connection a brief history of the paper may be of interest. It was founded in 1876 as a bi-weekly by the class of '77. Mr. J. F. Williamson was the managing editor, and Prof. William Libbey, Jr., of Princeton, was treasurer of the first board of editors. In 1884 the paper was made a weekly. The demands for a more frequent issue grew until in 1886 it became a tri-weekly, which it remained until this year.

The old college, William and Mary of Virginia, has a new lease on life. It has accomplished much since its revival in 1888, and is now planning for even greater usefulness. The last session of the Virginia Legislature increased the annual appropriation from \$10,000 to \$15,000, thus setting its stamp of approval on the college. The bill to reimburse the college for losses incurred by the destruction of its buildings during the war has again been introduced in Congress and a favorable report made by the Senate Committee. It will be remembered that this bill has passed committees both in House and Senate often before, always failing because it did not come to the final votes, not because of any opposition, but so old a hand as Senator Hoar thinks the bill will really pass this time.



A Strange Resemblance.—Harry, who is always in debt.—"I had a curious dream, last

night; I dreamed all my acquaintances were changed into birds. But I noticed one very natural thing."

Dora.—"And what was that?"

Harry.—"Why, they all presented their little bills."

Pat McNaughty.—"Faith, Jim, an' did ye know the angels played cards?"

Jim.—"An' begorra, they don't."

Pat.—"Ye blatherin' heretic! An' for what, then, should the angel Gabriel always hold the last trump?"

A Thing of Beauty.—Miss Gladys: "And so you have been to see Carrie's new furniture. Tell me about it, that's a dear."

Miss Izora: "Oh, there were ever so many nice things, but what pleased me most was an article they called a washtub. It was not a pretentious affair, but its rugged, unassuming beauty was quite too overpowering for idle words."

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Good deeds that men have wrought. All this is o'er.
The watchword now is "Woman to redeem!"
And into these recesses where no beam
Of maiden's eye had shone, is oped the door.

The tender Freshman's cheeks now brightly flush,
The budding Soph avoids the quiet nook,
And whispers to the Junior, "Pray, beware!"
The Seniors only, who have learned to look
Into a girlish face without a blush,
May mount, O alcove, thine ascending stair.

—L. E. L.

TO THE SKY LARK.

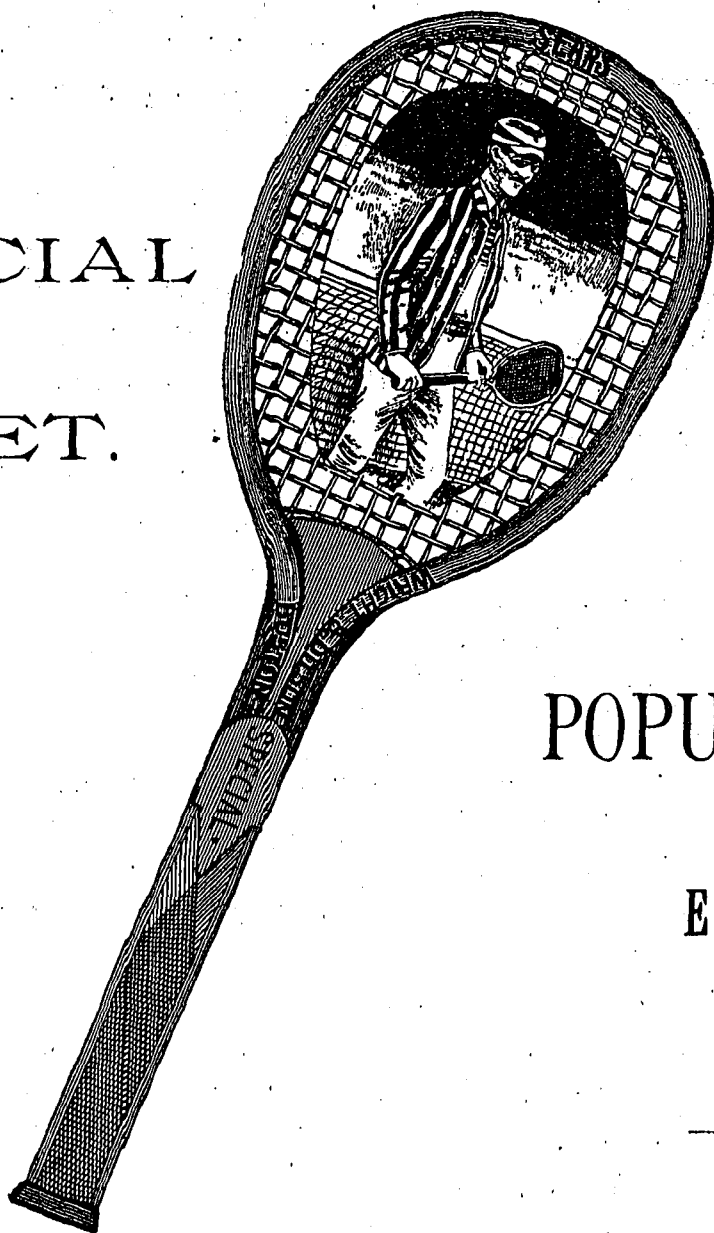
Although great poets in immortal songs
Have soared above the earth, sky lark, with thee,
They tell us that thy praise each morn belongs
To that in dawn, which we poor earthlings see.
Fair as Eos (her cheeks so softly glow),
And worthier of a poet's rosiest praise,
But not thy theme when thou at dawn dost sing;
And glorious is her Lord—no brighter thing
Than Light Triumphant could a poet's lays
Rehearse—but thou a greater still dost know,
Who risest high in air to give a last
Farewell to some bird-loving, orient star
Sinking at dawn, eclipsed, behind the car
Which Phœbus drives for thee, sky lark, too fast.

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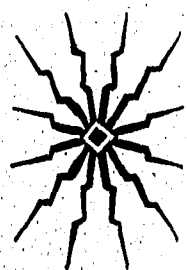
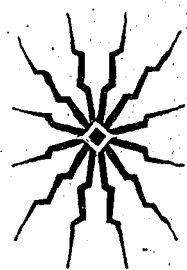
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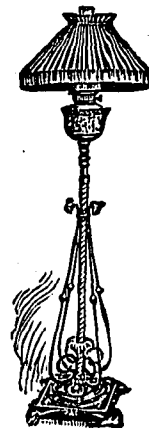
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