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THROUGH our printer's negligence, credit was not given to Miss Powell, who contributed the article "Tennyson, the Man," in the last number of the ECHO.

ANOTHER term has passed. The year is so much nearer its end; and already we can look back and see in some degree what the year has been at Colby. In the two terms that are now completed, there have been changes. First and most important, is the change in the general college spirit, something of which we all are aware, but yet not to be defined. The Colby of last year, we thought to be good, but the Colby of to-day is far better. Rowdyism has never been a characteristic of the student-body of our college. Thoughtless acts of a destructive nature, however, have been committed in the past; and it is the absence of these that has called forth from our janitor the words, "You gentlemen are coming civilized."

COLLEGE publications have peculiar difficulties. Thus bewaileth the *Hobart Herald* with regard to the tardiness of its last issue: "The fates were not auspicious; examinations, the charms of good skating and inability to get at work after a long recess, all were potent causes." Such are the inauspicious fates at Hobart. The ECHO perhaps should also offer excuse for its faults. At first, we thought the cause of the late appearance of issue after issue, lay with the editorial board. Now, however, the editors have attained a wonderful degree of promptness, and the ECHO is still tardy. That is not all, but that is sufficient. The criticism in the late Symposium is our criticism. If we want a better ECHO we must pay for it.

AN addition to the library which deserves special mention is the "Index to general literature," which has very recently been issued by the American Library Association. Doubtless every student in college knows from a longer or shorter experience the great value of Poole's "Index to periodical literature." The volume under consideration occupies a similar place with reference to the great body of literature outside the periodicals, volumes of essays, reports and publications of boards and associations dealing with sociological matters, books of travel, etc., etc. The work is by William I. Fletcher, librarian of Amherst college, "with the co-operation of many librarians"—One of the fifty-nine librarians who have contributed is Prof. Hall, who indexed for the work over 100 volumes of the 1,405 indexed by these librarians. There is little need of emphasizing the value of such an index; it was put to use five minutes after it was placed in the library. G.

WE believe that the talent of the college is well represented in the *Oracle* board. How versatile this talent is, we never imagined, until we chanced to learn of a new feature of the editorial meetings. One of the editors has favored her co-laborers in the literary work, with the proof of her skill in another line. The result is said to have been highly commendable. Now, the ECHO is perfectly willing to follow in the steps of the *Oracle*. We therefore call the attention of our contributors to the following recipe. The *Oracle* has passed favorable judgment upon the cake; now, let all improve the coming vacation in preparing to present the ECHO Chief with proof of the excellence of this recipe. This will be a new department in college journalism, but the *Oracle* furnishes precedent.

ORACLE CAKE—Three eggs, whites beaten to a stiff froth, one cup powdered sugar with one-third cup butter well rubbed through it; one cup of milk in which dissolve one-half teaspoonful of soda; one and one-half cups of flour sifted seven times with one teaspoonful of cream tartar; a little of the grated rind of a lemon; and a pinch of salt. Frost to suit editorial taste.

There will be no regular Commencement at the University of Chicago as it is in session throughout the year, but at the end of each term degrees will be given and a so called University convocation will be held. The first of these was held Monday, January 2.



#### ANGELS IN OUR VERY MIDST.

Should you ask me whence I know that  
Angels in our very midst dwell,  
Watching over needy mortals,  
Caring for the sad and helpless,  
I should answer, I should tell you  
How an angel in a man's guise  
Ministered to little children,  
Desolate, uncared-for, suffering.

On a back street of a village,  
Of a fair New England village,  
By the Kennebec's blue waters,  
Dwelt a poor man with his children.  
Honest was he and well-meaning,  
But with all his earnest struggles,  
He could scarce appease the hunger,  
Of the ones dependent on him.  
Wretched were those little children  
Suffering much for food and clothing,  
When the boisterous winter winds blew,  
When the earth with snow was mantled.

As one day they huddled, shivering,  
Near the door of their poor dwelling,  
Passed that way a kindly traveller,  
Saw their pitiful, pinched features,  
Saw their bare feet, almost frozen.  
Touched his heart with sudden pity,  
Straightway to their succor went he,  
Bought warm shoes for those poor children  
Warmed them, and relieved their suffering.

As they, grateful, gazed upon him,  
Saw his look of sweet compassion,  
Happy smiles broke o'er their faces,  
And they uttered in hushed whispers,  
"Tis an angel, God has sent him."

Simple was the deed the man did,  
But the God-thought that inspired it,  
To those poor neglected children  
Gave a hope that will live alway.  
"God is good," they say, "for surely  
Once he sent an angel to us;  
We will trust him and obey him  
And he never will forsake us."

Thus, like them, I am persuaded,  
Angels in our very midst dwell,  
Watching over needy mortals,  
Caring for the sad and helpless.

E. E. P.

#### OUR COLLEGE ART GALLERY.

DURING the presidency of Dr. Robbins, and chiefly through his influence, a movement was made by means of lectures and the purchase of casts and photographs to interest

the students of Colby in the history and development of art, and to give them a knowledge of some of the world's great masterpieces. In the year 1883 the first purchases were made with money appropriated by the trustees, and the Apollo Belvedere and the Venus de Milo were placed in Memorial Hall. This movement was gladly hailed and greatly appreciated by the students, so much so, that the Junior class of that year, the class of '84, insisted upon paying for the Apollo and inaugurated Presentation Day by making a gift of it to the college with appropriate ceremonies. The Art Department then began to be talked about as a settled thing and the title of "Lecturer on Art" first appeared in the catalogue of 1883-84.

The trustees have made further appropriations from year to year and casts of the Discobolus of Myron, the Minerva of the Vatican, the Olympian Hermes, the Jupiter Otricoli, and the Juno of Naples, have been added to the collection. Several classes have followed the example of '84 and have greatly beautified Memorial Hall by their gifts. Diana with the Stag, a fitting companion piece to the Apollo Belvedere, was presented by the class of '88. The Dying Gladiator was the gift of '89. The Niobe Group came from '90. The class of '91 chose a gift from the realm of painting and gave a large carbon photograph of Raphael's Sistine Madonna. The class of '92 appropriately celebrated the year of their graduation by a gift of a bust of Columbus. The last gift was from the present class of '93, the Marble Faun.

The collection also contains five hundred well selected photographs, illustrating painting, sculpture and architecture. These have been purchased with special reference to the period of art discussed in the lectures. Most of them are foreign photographs of large size and of the best quality.

It is proposed to publish in the columns of the ECHO a series of short articles on the most celebrated masterpieces represented in our collection. They will be given in historical order, so far as possible, and will illustrate the great periods of art to which they belong.

In a later article some account will be given of the portraits, reliefs and other works of more modern date belonging to the college.

L. E. W.

## THE DISCOBOLUS.

As has been already intimated, the object of these articles on art is not to set forth what we know about the subject, but to give to those interested in this department a short description of what has been collected by the college in the way of statuary.

Greek sculpture is divided into four periods, each of which is represented in our collection.

The First period extended from the first attempts at sculpture to the close of the Persian wars, 479 B. C. This period is represented by the Discobolus.

The Second Period extended from the Persian Wars to the close of the Peloponnesian, 404, B. C. Minerva, Jupiter and Juno are the representatives of this period.

The Third from the close of the Peloponnesian wars to the death of Alexander, the Great, 323 B. C., Hermes, Niobe, Venus of Melos, and the Marble Faun are the representatives of this period.

The Fourth, from the death of Alexander the Great, to the Roman Conquest 146, B. C., which is represented by the Dying Gladiator, Apollo Belvedere and Diana of Versailles.

The First or Semi-Archaic Period includes all of the pieces of art executed by some fifty or more artists down to and including Myron, who lived in the latter part of this period. At this time under the influence of the olympic games the great ideal of the artist was to represent the human form in the most perfect physical development as seen in the renowned athletes: thus the characteristic of this period was physical beauty or excellence.

Myron is the principal artist. He was born at Eleutherae in Boeotia about 480 B. C. Like Phidias and Polycletus, he was a pupil of the renowned Ageladas of Argos, and appears to have been old enough to contend with Pythagoras. He excelled especially in the delineation of manly strength and vigor, generally choosing for representation some momentary action involving great energy or skill. His fame was great among the ancients, and a large number of works are assigned to him. He worked chiefly in bronze, his works comprising a variety of subjects; statues of the Gods, athletic figures and animals. Especially noted was Myron's cow, which was so true to nature, that various epigrams were suggested by the work such as—

"Myron did not model this cow; time changed it into bronze, and he passed it off as his work." "Shepherd, take thy cows further away, lest thou also take that of Myron."

His most admired work, however is the "Discobolus" or Disk-thrower, which as the most life-like and true to nature of all these works, is the principal characteristic of Myron's art. The original was in bronze and there are now in existence no less than five copies in marble. The best preserved of these is in the Palace Massimi, at Rome. It was found on the Esquiline in 1761. Another is in the Hall of Biga, in the Vatican. A third which was found in 1791, in the Villa Adriani, near Tivoli, is in the British Museum. The other two are in the Museums at Turin and Naples. Ours is a cast from the one in the British Museum. It is distinguished from the one in the Vatican by having a plain discus, while the discus of that one is marked with concentric circles.

None of these statues have been found perfect, but have had to be restored in some part; as for instance, the Vatican stature has head, arms and right leg modern. These restorations have not always been accurate, for the head of the one in the Palace Massimi is turned more backwards than in the others. This is supported by the testimony of those who saw the original.

The Discobolus is described by Lucian (A. D. 120) and Quintillian (A. D. 40) in a manner which needs no comment. Lucian says:—"The disk-player bending down as if about to throw, and looking towards the hand that holds the discus, with one knee bent as if prepared to rise after the cast. That is the Discobolus, the work of Myron."

Quintillian says:—"What can be more dreadfully convulsed, and at the same time critically elaborate than Myron's Quoit-Tosser? But was any one to condemn that figure as being off its upright, would he not betray gross ignorance of art, the chief merit of which consists in the novelty and the difficulty with which the figure is executed."

Lubke, a more modern critic says:—"In fact, we can imagine nothing more life-like than this noble image of youthful power and beauty, and this moment of rapid action thus caught in marble, the whole play of the muscles manifesting a tension which, in the next moment must take a new direction."

We are assured by those who have been fortunate enough to see both, that our Discobolus is a good copy of the one in the British Museum. At one time the index finger of the cast was accidentally broken off, and one who is much interested in this department felt very much grieved about it. But the other day he informed us that our piece of statuary was a much better copy of the original than he supposed it was, for when he came to examine that, he found that it had also had the fore-finger broken off, which had somewhat reconciled him.

M. S. GETCHELL.

#### LAMENT OF THE CHAIRS.

Ye pitying mortals, lend an ear  
Into a woeful tale.  
Prepare to shed full many a tear,  
To move you we can't fail.

We live in good old Colby's halls  
Where college maidens dwell,  
Long years we've been their faithful friends,  
And we have served them well.

To well alas! For now we feel  
Our bones begin to crack.  
We are unsteady on our legs,  
We're weak as to the back.

We creak, we groan, we writhe in pain  
When thoughtless college lass  
Sits down a little bit too hard,  
(This often comes to pass.)

But this is not the saddest part,  
For though we try to bear  
All burdens that are put on us  
Displaying patience rare—

Sometimes the suffering is so great,  
Our trembling limbs give way  
Beneath some learned maiden's weight,  
Alack! Alack-a-day!

But *then* they won't let us alone  
But straightway we are sent  
Unto an *Ayer's* hospital  
O why don't the relent!

They pound, they twist our aching limbs,  
And when at last they're done  
They rend us back to try again,  
And so we suffer on.

Dear friends, we've lived a useful life.  
Now do you think it's fair  
That peaceful, undisturbed old age  
Should be denied the chair?

O listen to our squeaks and groans  
And grant this simple boon,  
That others take the burdens now—  
And let them do it soon!

HULLEN R. BEEDE.

## CHAPTERS IN A SCHOOLMA'AM'S EXPERIENCE.

## III

NO! Temperance would not be called a subject productive of much fun, but yet I once listened to a Temperance lecture which was decidedly amusing.

'Twas the summer of 1889. Seated at the breakfast table one morning, about six o'clock, I was informed by the landlady that I was wanted at the outer door. As I entered the hall, expecting to see some questioning pupil, a strange, strange figure met my gaze.

A woman of about forty-five years, tall, straight, and angular, with black hair and eyes, stared at me wildly. What was once a decent green wrapper, now much the worse for wear and without buttons, hung loosely from her form; on her feet were heavy cowhide shoes, on her hands, some gray cotton gloves, minus the fingers; on her head a curious bonnet. With one hand she carried a little yellow parasol of 'ye olden time; and no maiden of sixteen could have flourished it more coquettishly. With the other hand, she held an old-fashioned carpet-bag.

After a moment she addressed me, "You're the teacher?"

"Yes."

"Well, they sent me to you to see if I could have the hall over your school-room. You see, I want to give a temperance lecture this evening."

"I think you can have the hall," I replied.

"Now," she continued, "will you just give it out in school; tell them to come about quarter of eight; and don't forget to say that I ask two cents admission. I never lecture for money, but must have something to pay my expenses." I thought she had ended, but she stepped a little nearer, instead, and whispered, "Say, is there a minister in town?"

"Yes."

"Don't let him know I'm to speak. I'd a little rather he would not be there. Now, I'll come on time; remember."

She left me in a state of amazement; soon she disappeared in the woods near.

"A crazy woman speaks tonight on Temperance" was spread throughout the village. Promptly at seven-thirty, the people gathered, but there was no speaker. Of course 'twas said

"I didn't believe she'd come back," yet they lingered. Just before quarter of eight, my morning caller was seen approaching. I met her at the door and escorted her to the platform.

In a business-like manner she removed her gloves and bonnet drew some papers from her bag, and turning to me asked if we might have some music. A hymn sung, she asked if any one would read the Scripture. The minister, strange to relate, was there, although he had been informed of her feeling toward ministers; and he, then, came forward and read. Slightly embarrassed, the lecturer opened by saying that she was not accustomed to such large audiences. She gained courage, and for almost ten minutes spoke fluently and accurately as anyone ever did. Statistics and facts of law were given correctly, and a knowledge of the entire subject was plainly possessed by her. We were all wonder-struck. Could it be she was a Temperance lecturer in disguise for some secret purpose? But she hesitated, looked over her papers and started in this wise: "Do you know, I've always noticed if there's only one church in town and that is a Congregational, the town is always wicked. I don't like Congregational ministers; they always act as if they had swallowed a broom stick."

The local church and minister being of the hated denomination, a burst of laughter followed her remarks, and acted as a reminder to her that she was wandering from her text. So, she returned to tell us of addressing a Temperance Convention in Tremont Temple and of her interview with Miss Willard. Without a break, she continued with a raid on the use of tobacco, closing thus: "A man who uses tobacco isn't fit to ride in a car with pigs."

This was followed by stories, good, bad and indifferent; every once in a while she would touch her subject only to wander farther from it immediately. "Why, the other day I was at Moosehead and I was surprised. The women were terrible smart; they could sew, knit, cook, teach, anything. It's only thirty miles away. I should think you might know something up here." Nine o'clock came and she was as fresh and full of life as ever; while we were exhausted, she seemed to be only started. Taking advantage of a pause in her discourse, the minister arose, thanked her for the pleasure she had afforded, took up the two cent collection, and dismissed the people.

Without a word she departed. Next morn about five oclock, a man saw her hastily walking toward Canada. Our strange lecturer has never been seen or heard of to this day, but her visit will always be remembered as one of the most interesting chapters in a school ma'am's experience.

L. G.

### PEDAGOGISM AND WHAT IT MEANS.

The past winter has been crowned with eminent success to Colby's Pedagogues. Every report that has come to the college of the work that has been done and is still being done by our students should bring a feeling of pride to every loyal friend of Colby.

Some of the schools have been at first difficult and unpleasant but these things have been overcome and in no case have we heard of anything but successful work. Some have found their schools in excellent condition but even in these, we are informed that there has been a steady and popular advancement.

Certainly we should honor the man or woman who leaves the pleasures of College life with a firm faith that the work here left undone shall be faithfully accomplished on their return, establishing for themselves a reputation for successful work, coming back with a happy greeting to all and with financial condition greatly improved.

What does the success that has come to our students in this line of work mean? It means that Colby is moving onward. It means that the work accomplished in the class room is of a high order. It means that our instructors are using the right methods. It means that the students are ambitious to do good work and are faithful. It means, in a word, that student life in Colby is a success.

While the work in the school-room has been eminently successful, we must recognize the that much of this success has been due to the out side popularity of our students. Much of the success has been brought about by the social life with the people. Let us remember then the duty we owe to social life here in college and have for our aim not merely to be "educated" men and women but men and women of culture.

It is hardly possible that any student who leaves college to teach will not look with kindly

feeling to what he has left and almost count the hours before that time when he shall return. I believe this is the experience of every student.

Now since this is so there is a plain duty before us? Let every man and woman that has the advantage and inspiration that our college affords lead others to raise their ideal of education. Let us remember what the college is doing for us and what is in its power to do for others.

The power that the students have outside of the college for making success for Colby is not to be ignored. We are the representatives of the college and just as the product of manufacture shows the character of the firm bringing it to the market; we as the product of the college are the evidences of its character. There is no opportunity where the patriotic college man can do more for his college and the cause of Higher Education than in the school room. Scholars and people outside alike look for and have the right to expect in the college man true manliness, enthusiasm in the work of education, a social and sympathetic character. Such qualities in a man always make for him success, always bring honor to himself and his college. If we do not have these qualities there comes defeat and disgrace to all concerned.

Let us then cultivate these qualities and by them inspire others to appreciate and to secure a higher education.

The true object of a college such as ours is to instruct her students along general lines, to cultivate a broad sympathy for all that pertains to the welfare of humanity. These qualifications are greatly essential to the success of any profession but most of all to that of teaching. It should be the object of every student who leaves college to teach to leave that community where his work is executed a little better, intellectually, morally and socially than he found it.

If we begin thus early to act in accordance with this great principal of human life we shall find that when we leave college success will come much easier.

It is related of Alexander the Great that when he was contemplating building the city of Alexandria in Egypt that some of his councillors advised him not to build it, saying that he was about to build a city should compete with those of his own countrymen. The great monarch replied, "Mankind are my coun-

try men." That sentiment is as true to day as it was then. May we as students here and as men and women of the world be actuated and inspired by it.

F. O. WELCH.

#### REPORT OF Y. M. C. A. PRESIDENT.

*To the Young Men's Christian Association of Colby University:*

The progress of the Association in the past year can be indicated in part by mention of the meetings and other associational work.

In the Spring term, the annual sermon was delivered before the two associations, the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A., on Sunday evening of Commencement week by Dr. F. W. Bake-man, of Chelsea, Mass. At the Summer conference at Northfield, our association was represented by W. B. Tuthill.

The Fall campaign was conducted by the committee on work for new students. The hand-book had been issued by the committee acting with a committee of the Y. W. C. A. The religious census showed that an unusually large proportion of the men in the entering class were Christians. The annual reception was given by the two associations to the Freshmen. At the State Convention at Augusta, Oct. 9, we were represented by twelve delegates.

Oct. 15 and 16, Mr. F. A. Keller, the traveling secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, addressed the two associations. As a result of Secretary Keller's earnest talk, we believe our associations received much good in the line of increase of interest in Missions. The week of prayer was observed by four meetings.

In the present term, the only special meetings were those on Jan. 26, the Day of Prayer. In the morning, a college prayer meeting was held at the hour of the usual chapel exercises. The meeting was led by Dr. Pepper. In the afternoon, Rev. C. A. Watson, of Arlington, Mass., preached before the students. In the evening, the two associations held a union prayer meeting.

Throughout the year, the union meetings on alternate Tuesday evenings have been continued. The average attendance at these meetings has been larger than ever before. The Sunday morning Bible Talks of Prof. Mathews have been of even greater interest, as has been shown by the attendance. In the Spring term, Dr. Small continued his Thursday evening addresses

before the Y. M. C. A. In the Fall a change was made, and the Thursday evening meeting the form of a weekly conference of the two associations, held in the college chapel. The results of the change have been most encouraging, the attendance being greatly increased. These meetings as conducted by Pres. Whitman and Dr. Pepper have been most helpful and inspiring.

The thanks of our associations are due to Dr. Pepper, Pres. Whitman and Prof. Mathews for the interest they have felt in the Christian work of our association. Their cooperation has been such as to encourage every member of the Y. M. C. A.

This associational year just ended, we believe, has been blessed. Results attained are of a nature not easily to be described in a formal report. The members of the Y. M. C. A. are conscious of good received in the various meetings. The students in general can testify to the increased influence of the Y. M. C. A., as a power in college life. Such results constitute real progress. The aim of the Y. M. C. A. member must be to live the Christian life, and the degree of his attainment of that aim is the measure of associational progress.

Respectfully,

G. O. SMITH.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF Y. W. C. A.

The annual meeting of the Y. W. C. A. for the year beginning May 15 and ending March 6, was held on Monday last. Reports from officers and committees, twelve in number, were submitted. The following extracts from the report of the President may be made:

Like the previous year, ours may be called one of changes. Not least of these was a larger corps of workers in '96 than Colby before has given us. In work, two new branches have been started. This year for the first time, our association has conducted once a month a Sunday afternoon meeting at the Woman's Reading Room. But the most novel of our departures is a sewing class among the younger portion of the French Missionary Church on the the Plains. Every Saturday afternoon four of our girls go down and instruct—not "the young ambition how to soar," but the young finger to ply "over and over again." Thus far the work has been eminently satisfactory, and if with age, earnest-

ness and faithfulness do not decline, our work undertaken at Mrs. Foster's suggestion and with her kind help cannot fail to be successful, and may amount to more than so many stitches.

I would strongly recommend to the association to consider the matter of systematic giving; to help support the International Association of which we are now a part; and to keep in touch with other local associations by means of occasional visits. And while striving to do just all that time and strength permit, let it not weary or discourage, but let the thought of our motto assure us of success, "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of Hosts."

Respectfully submitted,

EVA M. TAYLOR, President.

From other reports we glean the following: Aside from Union meetings, eighteen prayer meetings have been held, with an average attendance of thirty. Twelve missionary meetings have been held, four of which were union, including the two addresses by Mr. Keller; three missionaries from the foreign field have been listened to, Mrs. Partridge, of China, Dr. Cummings, of India, and Miss Royal, of Africa; and from the home field, Mrs. Meserve, of Haskell Institute. Contributions as individuals and classes were made to the barrel sent to Miss Brown at Pine Ridge Agency, and mite-boxes for the Alaskan Orphanage are now in the hands of the members. Interesting addresses on Temperance have been given by Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Pepper. Much help has been received from all the union services, including the Conference and Bible Class. The total number of religious meetings conducted by Y. W. C. A. during the year is thirty-five. The associations now enrolls 33 active members and 15 associate members, four names have been changed from associate to active membership during the year.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

Whereas, Our omnipotent Father in his all wise providence has seen fit to remove from the family circle, the mother of our esteemed classmate Elmer C. Atwood.

Be it resolved, that we, the class of '95 of Colby University, extend to him our heartfelt sympathy.

And that we present him with a copy of these resolutions.

Be it further resolved that these resolutions be published in the Colby ECHO.

F. O. WELCH.

A. T. LANE.

J. F. PHILBROOK.



Gray '95 is with us once more.

Cram '96 visited his home in Mt. Vernon, Sunday March 5.

Several of the Oxford county boys took a day off to vote, March 6th.

Cole '96 returned to college last week, having finished his term of school.

Stimson '93 has been seriously ill and confined to his room but is out again.

The architect's sketch of the proposed ladies' dormitory, has been presented to L. H.

Recitations in Physiology for the Juniors have been discontinued for the rest of the term.

The Oracle board are working hard over the new volume. Two meetings are held each week.

A Harlequin Party was given by Miss Fannie Chutter to the girls of '94, Wednesday afternoon, Mar. 8.

Jewett '95 has secured a position in the Waterville Hospital where he will remain for the rest of the year.

A chorus choir has taken the place of the quartet at the Cong. church. Several students assist in the singing.

Professor Mathews delivered his illustrated lecture on Rome before a large audience in Fairfield March 3rd.

President Whitman delivered an address at Dover on the evening of Mar. 2, and preached there Sunday, March 5.

An interesting talk on the Indians was given before the Y. W. C. A., Feb. 26, by Mrs. Meserve, of Haskell Institute.

A certificate of membership in the International Association, tastefully framed, was presented the Y. W. C. A., by the retiring President.



Geologically speaking, "a faulted fault is older than the fault that faults it." Strange as it may seem, this is a perfectly faultless statement.

Nichols '95 who has been confined to his room with tonsilitis left for his home in Calais last week Wednesday. He will not return until next term.

Prof. Marquardt entertains his class in elective French with a judicious mixture of French grammar and Germa-American manners.

City election came off on Monday last and as usual resulted in a Democratic victory. The streets, on this glorious occasion, were filled with living arguments for the affirmative on the Junior Debate.

The Y. W. C. A. have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Lillie M. Hazelton; Vice President, Lila P. Harden; Cor. Sec., Alice M. Bray; Rec. Sec., Augusta Cottle; Treasurer, Edna Dascombe.

J. S. Lynch, '94, attended the anniversary banquet of the Rhode Island Alpha Chapter of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity at Providence, Feb. 24, as delegate from the chapter here; he responded to a toast on "Maine Alpha."

It seems as if something ought to be done to secure a better supply of hot water for the baths. It takes but a very short time to exhaust the present tank and on the days when it is most wanted there is no hot water at all.

Prof. Mathews and his living pictures are in great demand. Characters appropriate to Washington's birthday were presented at the Congo. Feb. 24. The French Revolution was illustrated in the same way at the Baptist vestry, March 6.

The new catalogue has appeared and is in many respects an improvement. The new cut of the campus is a fine one indeed. The addresses of faculty and students are given and this gives a more business-like appearance to the catalogue.

Jordan and Millett, '93, Howe, and V. M. and H. L. Whitman, '94, went home last Saturday to perform their duties as loyal citizens at the annual "town-meetin'" of Norway and Paris. Such a general show of patriotism on the part of the citizens of these particular towns is perfectly inexplicable—until you know the reason for it.

The excitability of the retina is easily exhausted. Looking steadily one particular "flame" soon renders the retina insensible to that "flame." A certain member of '94 had better take warning, for we notice that his eyesight is suddenly failing him.

We advise any one who feels in danger from the strain on his mind during exams. to look across the hall at the beautiful statue Venus de Milo and imagine he sees thereon the sign which is said to adorn the same statue in a certain art gallery, "Hands off."

The officers of the Y. M. C. A., for the ensuing year were chosen last Tuesday evening and are as follows: President, W. B. Tuthill; Vice President, F. W. Padelford; Cor. Sec., S. H. Hanson; Rec. Sec. F. W. Peakes; Treasurer, Fred Bryant.

On a recent afternoon we noticed for the first time a large red letter S in one of the library windows towards the colleges. We did not inquire, but suppose it signified that Sam was summoned in order to be sent to perform some service or other.

A large number of students availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing President Hyde, who preached at the Congregational Church, morning and evening, Sunday, Feb. 26. There is no need of saying that they listened to thoroughly able and inspiring sermons.

It may hardly be regarded as a universal principle that "a carpenter turned preacher will never draw many people in his train," yet every example of such preachers that has come to our notice in recent years tends to confirm our belief that the principle closely approaches universality.

In our last number it was stated, in connection with University extensions, that Prof. Rogers was away most of the time and that cuts were frequent in his department. An indignant Junior class would like to protect against any such notice as this and would testify to the presence of this particular Prof., at every exercise appointed for the class during its connection with him. And as further inquiry elicits the information that Prof. R., has neither gone out nor has been invited so to do, the conclusion is that the campus editor either was thinking of someone else or tried to be unduly sarcastic.

Inspiring reports from the Providence delegates were given before the Y. W. C. A., Feb. 28. Among the good things of the Convention were a sermon by Dr. Paton, of the South Sea Islands, addresses by President Andrews, Mrs. Joseph Cook, and Miss Price, the General Secretary.

The appointments for the Junior debate are as follows: Affirmative, J. B. Alexander, A. L. Blanchard, D. T. Harthorn. Negative, G. H. D. L'Amoureux, V. M. Whitman, W. B. Tuthill. The question reads: Resolved that a law embodying the principles of license affords a better means of dealing with the liquor question than does a law embodying the principles of prohibition.

Those who went to the sociable on a recent Friday evening missed one of the sights of a life time. In the hall of the upper story a south college division, the two distinctively "fat men" of '94, delighted the assembled members of the division and guests with a jovial and artistic exhibition of clog-dancing. Excellent music was furnished for the occasion by the banjo and guitar club.

If any one doubts that the Indian is in general like the white man in his characteristics, all doubt will be at once dispelled by the remark made by Supt. Meserve in his recent lecture before the seniors, that "the more horses the Indian has the lazier he becomes." It is worthy of note also that the possession of cows marks a decidedly higher stage of civilization than the possession of horses alone. People who live in glass houses along this line will do well to beware how they call people "Farmers."

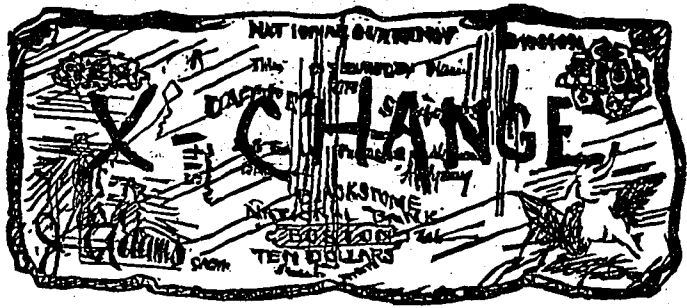
A sort of prelude to the Junior prize debate and a fitting close of the interesting term's work in Ethics was the debate which occupied the recitation hour in Ethics, last Wednesday, on Intuitionism vs. Utilitarianism. As no one in the class seemed particularly desirous to champion either one side or the other, the principal disputants were chosen by lot. Intuitionism was represented by Bowman and C. F. Smith, Utilitarianism by Graves and Lombard. Weighty and convincing arguments were presented by both sides as well as by the class at large, and a judge would have been in such a whirl of conflicting judgments with accompanying emotions that he could scarcely have awarded the prize to either side.

Prof. Mathews delivered the last of his series of University extension lectures on the French Revolution at the Congregational vestry last Tuesday evening. The campus man can say from experience that these lectures are thoroughly interesting and give an exceedingly clear view of the important period in modern history treated. In attending lectures like these intended for those who are not enjoying the opportunities of college, one realizes, as he might not otherwise do, what a privilege the college student has in being able to devote his entire time—not one hour in two weeks or such a matter—to study in the various departments open to him in college. If we would occasionally put ourselves in the place of those who haven't our opportunities we should be likely to realize, as there are many indications that we do not realize, what these opportunities mean. We need more hungering and thirsting after knowledge.

One of those perplexing questions we often meet with is how the excellent bird's-eye view of the campus in the new catalogue was obtained. A single attentive look at it must convince the inexperienced that it is from a photograph taken in a balloon which probably ascended from a point near the Maine Central station and was probably held fast by a rope attached to a neighboring chimney while the photograph was being taken. Thinking that the ascension might have taken place during the last summer vacation, we approached the librarian with a view of obtaining a brief account of the event for the campus. We regret our inability to gratify the curious reader with such an account, as the writing of it is attended with special difficulties, chief of these being that—there was no balloon ascension at all. On the contrary the librarian informs us that an artist skilled in such work got a view of the campus from the highest point available in the vicinity and then imagined how it would look if he *were* up in a balloon. Verily, the good old-fashioned imagination beats all the modern inventions after all.

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In an article entitled "Collegiate Education in Maine," the *Wabash* of Wabash College gives a short history of Maine's four colleges Bowdoin, Colby, Maine State and Bates. These accounts contain much information, new even to a Maine student.



The *Miami Student* calls attention to the hearty approbation the new scheme of opening the college library on Sunday afternoons is meeting with among the students. Sunday afternoons are far more profitable and enjoyable than under the old method.

In connection with an article on the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of Pope Leo XIII, *The Owl* of Ottawa University publishes a fine portrait of the pope.

Those who doubt the existence of honor in college men have only to observe the workings of the new examination rules at Princeton. According to the *Tuftsionian* the prevailing habit of cribbing has reached such a limit that the faculty of Princeton have been obliged to dispense with the presence of the instructors at examinations. Every student is required, however, to sign a statement pledging his word of honor that he has neither given nor received assistance. The result of the matter is noteworthy. On the first trial several of the students disregarded the provisions of the new law and availed themselves of the absence of the professors to resort to wholesale cribbing. A mass meeting of the student-body followed in which resolutions were drawn up and adopted, condemned the cribbers and requesting them to make full confession or to leave the college at once.

The *College Rambler* notes that the old time custom of holding joint debates between the literary societies of a college shows signs of being revived. At the suggestion of President Bradley, of Illinois College, a debate has been arranged for the tenth of March, between the Sigma Pi and the Phi Alpha Chapters, of Illinois. Such an arrangement as this cannot fail to stimulate work in the several chapters, in any and all colleges. The plan is one that deserves adoption.

The University of Colorado we are glad to see represented in the *Silver and Gold* on our exchange table.

The *Williams Weekly* prints a scheme now in

progress whereby the best college base ball teams of the country, east and west, may be brought together at Chicago during the World's Fair. It is intended to have a series of games in the first ten weeks in July, to be played under the auspices of the World's Fair International Congress of Physical Education. No prizes are offered but expenses will be allowed to twelve men to and from the colleges which the committee have selected. The colleges thus far invited to participate are the Universities of Chicago, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Northwestern, to represent the West, and Harvard, Yale and Princeton the East.

In an article entitled *College Journalism* the *Messenger* of Westbrook Seminary draws a characteristic picture of the modern college journal. It seems worthy of being emphasized. Therefore we clip the following portion:

"At hand is a recent number of a college journal in which its supporters seem to take much pride. Perhaps its contents may be noted with some interest. Two pages of editorials are given, urging the college men to a more enthusiastic support of its college athletics, followed by three pages and a half devoted solely to football; then four pages of "local" and "personal" notes continue to endorse the manifest interest in "literary" work. Sandwiched in are two stories, covering three pages, both of "humorous character, and one poem of excellent merit. It is devoutly to be hoped that this one poem satisfied the ambition of the editors as to the literary side of their paper, if the five and a half pages, including editorials, did not appease their desire for greater interest in athletics. There was also an exchange column of half a page, containing the funniest things which other college editors had been able to conceive during the past weeks. Editors of college journals seem to have a mastering passion to convulse their readers.

In a graphic article the *University Cynic* describes the manner in which many of our larger colleges are being disturbed over the question of debarring from the athletic teams all but undergraduates. Yale and Princeton have been for some time in favor of such an arrangement. Many other colleges, however, such as the University of Pennsylvania draw their athletics from their alumni largely and of course oppose. Yale and Princeton claim that the only way to avoid the danger of professionalism is to limit a college team by debarring all men in post graduate departments. In Yale the measure has met with a protest on the part of the members.

of the law school with whom a sufficient number of undergraduates combined to vote down the measure when proposed before the college body.

The *Pennsylvanian* in relation to the same matter states that Harvard has absolutely refused to limit herself to the undergraduate law, and that the proposition has been lost in the Intercollegiate Athletic Association by a vote of 11 to 8.



'38.

Until 1883 Gen. Butler smoked a great deal. In the fall of 1882 he confided to his private secretary that he thought the habit of smoking had grown on him too strongly, and he was beginning to think that his will might be weakening. On the day after the 1st of January, 1883 he sent for his private secretary to come into the Executive Chamber at the State House. The private secretary came and seated himself at the desk that he usually occupied.

"Hand me that paper weight," said the Governor, pointing to a heavy glass weight on the desk.

It was done, and then Gov. Butler quizzically inspected the private secretary's desk at long range, and said in the low grumble that was characteristic of him:

"I hope you haven't any missiles there?"

"Why, Governor?" said the private secretary.

"Well, I don't want you to throw anything at me," he growled, "when I tell you that I've been d—d fool enough to take a New Year's resolution. When the old year went out the other night I said to myself, as I finished my cigar, that I would smoke no more while I lived."

This resolution, as everybody knows, was sacredly kept.—*Boston Daily Globe.*

'58.

Among those present at the Central Maine Theological Circle were Rev. C. V. Hanson, '62; Rev. G. B. Ilsley, and Rev. C. M. Emery, '93, and Rev. J. E. Cochran, '80.

T. F. Batchelder, who went to Wisconsin and thence by the overland route to California soon after his graduation, is practising law in San Francisco. He has a ranch at Sunol, 36 miles out, where he is very popular and, on account of what he has done for the place, he is called the King of Sunol.

'59.

Dr. H. C. Vaughan recently at Lawrence Kan., is at the Preble House, Portland, this winter. He was in Waterville this week.

'77.

Chas. Francis Meserve, Prin., of Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kansas, was in town a few days last week. He addressed several audiences, and among them the Senior class at the College on the subject of Sociology as applied to the Indian Question.

'78.

H. B. Tilden, Pastor of the Baptist church at Cherryfield has resigned in order to take a much needed rest.

'84.

H. M. Lord of Rockland has been elected one of the Aldermen of that city.

'86.

Sheridan Plaisted was in Portland Wednesday Feb. 22 attending the meeting of the Sons of the Revolution.

Dr. R. H. Pulsifer was married to Miss Grace Yeaton at the home of the groom's parents on College Avenue, Thursday Feb. 23.

'88.

Rev. A. B. Lorimer, recently returned from Burmah, is situated at Mt. Pleasant, Vancouver B. C.

The following alumni are members of the Maine House of Representatives for this session, '58, S. S. Brown, Waterville; '79, H. E. Hamlin, Ellsworth; '84, Walter E. Emerson, Portland.

Miss Mary Edith Farr, who has been teaching since her graduation at Cedar Valley Seminary, intends to give up her work there at the end of this year and study for Ph. D., probably at Chicago University.

'89.

E. L. Sampson, Prin. of Foxcroft Academy, was at the college Monday Feb. 27th.

'90.

F. A. Luce was at the Bricks Sunday, Feb. 26th. He has just completed a profitable term of school at Boothbay.

'92.

Stephen Stark is at home on his vacation from Kent's Hill.

D. G. Munson has returned from a very successful term of school at Brooklin.

H. F. Kalloch was in town for a few days of his vacation, enjoying the much needed rest after his arduous duties at Fort Fairfield.

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