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## Editorial

THIS will be the last issue of the ECHO for the present term. The board of editors wish to express their appreciation of the hearty co-operation of those who have given the ECHO their support.

ANOTHER term of our college course is nearly completed. It has been a term of hard work and one that will rank among the most successful in the history of the college. The predictions that we made at the opening of

the college year have been verified. Together with the large increase of the number of students, the pleasant relations that have existed in class and factional matters there is every evidence of the healthy, inspiring life of the college.

IT is a matter of good fortune that only a few of our students will teach during the winter. The terms are so arranged that absence from college during the winter months is accompanied by severe loss to the student. Besides, no allowance is made for the work that is done outside of the class room, and the work of making up the deficiencies has little attraction for the average student. But those who engage in teaching during the winter hold responsibilities of no small importance. To those who are planning to teach after graduation faithful and successful work is preeminently essential, and for that reason, if for no other, students should ever be on their guard to see that the best results are kept in view. The reputation of a teacher is not a thing to be looked upon as merely local or temporal, but permanent. More than this, every student who teaches is a representative of the college, and should never lose sight of the great part that higher education is playing in the lives of men and women in all departments of life. Every where and always the college student should see that the claims of higher education are vindicated in his work and in his life. In this way the power of every student who teaches may be productive of good results, not only among those with whom he is directly concerned, but to the whole community in which his work is accomplished. In this way, teaching ceases to be looked upon as drudgery, but opens a way in which they with broad views

and strong hearts may leave the world a little better morally, intellectually and socially than they found it.

THE new arrangement for the care of the dormitories well deserves the universal support it has received. For the origin of this scheme we are indebted to the Conference Committee, and this reminds us of the important part that this body plays in originating and effecting improvements. The new plan for the employment of efficient service to take regular and proper care of every room and hall in the dormitories is only one of the many plans that have originated with the Conference Committee. Many of the plans that are devised by this body have in times past been of little importance because of the lack of college sentiment and interest to support them. The matter now before the student body is one in which every man who rooms in the dormitories should take an interest, because it is something that appeals to the good sense of every man in college. The disadvantages in the system as proposed are few. Unsatisfactory service is the only objection advanced. Economically the system will be saving in time and money. Everything will be cleaner and more orderly. No contrasts of tidiness or slovenliness will appeal to the critic. The uniform improvement will add materially to the pleasure and comfort of all. Systematic regularity will have a beneficial effect in many ways. Capable servants cannot fail to be secured. The arrangement if well carried out will be one of the most needed and greatest improvement in recent years.

#### A CRUISE OF THE DORCAS L.

ON the evening of the third of July, 189—, five boys, the writer among the number, embarked for a two day's cruise in the sloop Dorcas L. then lying in Dorchester Bay.

The Dorcas was a twenty-five foot keel sloop, and was built more for cruising than for racing. She had a good-sized cabin with bunks set in the side of the walls. Forward of the cabin was a small cubby, used chiefly for storage.

The standing room was smaller than is usually found on yachts of this size, but it was large enough to accomodate our party.

There was a good sailing breeze and we tacked briskly out of the bay. In about three-quarters of an hour we entered Squantum Gut, the Sphinx-like Squaw Rock smiling grim approval on our passage. Leaving the Gut and rounding Moon Island we were in the blue waters of Quincy Bay.

From the gate-house on Moon Island to Nut Island, we could as the wind then was, sail in a single tack. So with sails close hauled, all hands to windward and the water bubbling over the lee-rail, we shaped our course for the island. We passed to the eastward of the island and as we rounded it and came to anchor amid the fleet of the Hough's Neck Yacht Club we saw the battle-scarred Brooklyn and Hartford, made famous by the part which they played in the memorable siege of New Orleans. Now they lie stranded on the beach, a prey for the junkmen. After we had anchored and made things snug for the night, we had supper on board. What ravenous appetites we had and how delicious those flapjacks tasted, cooked only as Wright could cook them.

After the supper things had been cleared away, we took the tender and went ashore. We called on the Misses T—, who had a cottage at this place. The evening passed very pleasantly and at ten o'clock we returned to the Dorcas and to slumber.

During the night I dreamed a dream. It was of a game of foot-ball. The ball had just been downed and I was wondering if the pile of men on top of me were ever going to get off, when I awoke and found myself forming part of a heap of legs and arms and bodies piled up on the port side of the boat.

I extricated myself and with some difficulty made my way from the cabin out into the standing room. There the cause of our trouble was revealed to me. The night before, in anchoring, we had not made allowance for low tide and had run our boat too far in shore. Where there had then been eight feet of water, there was now a sea of mud, in the midst of which

the Dorcas was lying, listed badly to port. With the incoming tide our troubles were at an end and we once more rested on an even keel.

After breakfast, we hoisted sails and anchor and started for Nahant, the home of Henry Cabot Lodge. The breeze was not so strong but that we were able to carry full sail, but yet it was strong enough to make things interesting. We had a very pleasant sail to Nahant and upon our arrival we wandered around the town for a couple of hours watching and aiding in the celebrations of its patriotic citizens. We had dinner at the Bass Point House and I think that we must have eaten very heartily, because I overheard the proprietor telling the clerk that he guessed that those boys had had nothing to eat for a week. Immediately after dinner we started for Boston, as we wished to see the races in the harbor. We did not see the races but we did see something that left a very vivid impression upon us. During the afternoon there had been a balloon ascension on Boston Common. With the aeronaut were two newspaper men. The ascension was safely made, but when the balloon was about three hundred feet from the ground it struck a current of air that carried it rapidly toward the sea. The aeronaut, hoping to land on one of the islands in the harbor, pulled the valve rope. Instead of striking land, however, the balloon fell into the water between Fort Independence and Thompson's Island. We put the boat about hoping to rescue them, but before we could reach them, the police boat Protector bore down upon the scene. They grappled for the bodies, but one, that of the chief aeronaut was never found. The bodies of the other two were taken on board the police boat, one living, the other dead. I can see the dead man now as they lifted him from the net work of the balloon, his head thrown back, his eyes staring wide, almost starting from their sockets and with a look of horror in them that I can never forget. One hand grasped one of the ropes of the balloon with a grip that could not be broken and which made it necessary to cut the rope. It seemed hard to see lying there, one, who only a few moments before in the full flush and vigor of manhood

had battled for his life and who was now only a piece of cold, unresponsive clay.

It was a sober party that sailed the Dorcas back to Hough's Neck and settled down for the night. There was no skylarking that night. All turned in early and all thought more or less during the night of those two fellows who had been taken from their loved ones without one chance to utter a single parting word or give a single parting glance.

But the spirits of youth are buoyant and the next morning one would scarcely have known that only the day before we had witnessed a terrible tragedy. This day we had planned to spend in fishing off Boston Light. We made an early start, arriving at the fishing grounds before seven o'clock. We fished all the morning and had a very fair run of luck. After dinner we cruised out toward Minot's Light. There the wind freshened to such a degree that we were forced to take down our top-sail and double-reef both our main sail and jib.

On the run home when about half way up the harbor we were struck by a squall. It had been a terribly hot day in the city and the squall was one of those that precede a thunder storm and which will rival in suddenness and fierceness a small-sized tornado. It came upon us with a suddenness that defies all description. Before we could make a move to throw the boat's head to the wind, the squall was upon us. The boat lay almost on her beam ends, but did not capsize. The strain was, however, too great for the mast which was an old one and it snapped off about two feet above the deck. Then the storm burst upon us.

The scene that we looked upon was one well calculated to shake nerves older and firmer than ours. Overhead were the black, lowering clouds, and when the lightning flashed, the entire harbor was illumined with a brightness that served only to intensify the gloom that followed. Around were the black, tumbling, seething waters and with our deck covered with torn and tangled wreckage, it is small wonder that we were thoroughly disheartened.

It was useless to attempt to do anything while the storm lasted, so we cast out our anchor

and sought shelter in the cabin. After the storm had abated somewhat, we cleared away the wreckage, and signaling the government tug William Woolley we were towed to our moorings. As we came within sight of the Club house, Wright heaved a long sigh and said to me, "Well, old man, we've had quite a trip of it, havn't we?" "Guess we have," was my reply.

G. L. B., '97.

### LUCK AND ITS RELATION TO SUCCESS.

A large portion of the world to-day is content to be ruled by a phantom. By it is furnished authority and support for all—even these most desperate—measures. It is a ruler requiring little exertion and sacrifice at the hands of its subjects, and is, therefore, popular. It is willing to take upon itself the odium which arises toward it owing to the misrepresentation of the causes of misfortune in life. Young, it is not—its reign has been co-existent with the life of man. Ancient literature is full of tributes to its name; modern writers do not cease to make obeisance. Owing to this worship, it naturally attained and is attaining, an increase of power in determining the lot of man.

Cicero with his usual power and vigor says: "To Maximus, Marcellus, Scipio, Marius and other great commanders, commands were often given and armies assigned not only on account of their valor, but also on account of their good fortune. For to some very great men was joined by divine power a kind of fortune to conduct them to greatness and to glory and to the successful carrying on of important affairs." And he then proceeds to recommend Pompey on account of the great degree in which this fortune awaited on him. With other commanders almost their highest recommendation was that the same thing was true of them. And this thought is not only confined to the ancients but has had influence even in our day. In other occupations circumstances, at times, seem to favor in every way one man and to be arrayed in opposition to the success of another. This influence, real or imaginary, is variously called luck, favoring circumstances and destiny.

Luck, so called, may be defined as the occasional operation of certain unforeseen and uncontrollable forces. By seemingly unimportant events, the issue of great undertakings has been changed; men have been aroused to the utmost that was in them (and that no small ability) by the chance finding of some great man's utterances. Mr. Mathews tells the story of the Persian, who, for some misdemeanor, was condemned to have his tongue cut out, and the operation was performed in so bungling a manner that it simply removed an impediment in his speech. Also, of the painter, who having labored in vain to produce a desired effect, in desperation threw his brush at the canvas and behold, there before him, was the desired effect. Every one can recall cases of men, who have passed through the greatest hardships and dangers, only to perish by some trifling accident. Ignorant men have at times, happened upon that for which those with greatest learning were diligently seeking in vain.

Therefore, that there is an element of chance in human affairs cannot be denied, but it is just as true that, in the minds of men, it is so exaggerated that its true small proportions are not known. As has been well said, circumstances sometimes may make or mar a man but at the same time, man may make the circumstances. If two men engage in the same business on a seeming equality, and one succeeds and the other fails, shall we lay the failure at the door of bad luck? The one succeeded because he took the proper means to reach his end; the other failed because he did not use the proper means.

"There is nothing great in the present which is not rooted in the past." Success is the reward of patient and painstaking preparation, of arduous and unremitting labor. There are golden opportunities offered to every man, but unless, by previous preparation, he has fitted himself to take advantage of them, they are nothing to him and his chance is, perhaps, gone.

The circumstances which are blamed for failure must be made stepping-stones to success (that for which effort is being made) by having previously fulfilled the conditions necessary to

enable man to take advantage of the opportunity or "circumstance" at the right time.

As Disraeli would say, "Man is not the creature of circumstances, but circumstances are the creatures of men." In this sense it is true.

Richard Sharp, as a summary of all this, said, "Untoward accidents will happen, but after many, many years of thoughtful experience, I can truly say that nearly all those who began life with me have succeeded or failed as they deserved."

Luck is a very convenient agent for the lazy and ignorant to place at the foundation of their failure, and is so used by them, although in any success attendant upon them, its place is denied.

Success, in almost every case, is an acquired, not a chance result. In Van Osdel's words, "Men do not rise by accident above their thoughts and purposes. Great lives are the actualization of great thoughts, of high and noble purposes."

A. W. CLEAVES, '98.

#### STAR-RISE.

AFTER THE GERMAN.

The twilight deepens and the Lord of all  
From his high throne begins the roll to call:  
One after one throughout the somber sky  
The little stars make answer "Here am I."

#### AN OPEN BOOK

We strive a life-time with most subtle art  
To keep life's secrets hidden in the heart,  
But all in vain, for he who will may trace  
The story, plainly written on our face.

*Youth's Companion.*

A. L. C., '98.

## College News

#### FRESHMAN CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS.

The class of '98 has elected the officers for the Freshman year as follows:

President, Fred King; Vice-president, J. I. Wellman; Secretary, Dean Tolman; Treasurer, Arthur Page; Orator, Charles E. Gourney; Poet, J. L. Dyer; Toastmaster, John Nelson;

executive committee, Willard McFadden, B. C. Richardson; Prophet, H. S. Allen.

#### SENIOR CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS.

The Senior class has elected its officers for the year as follows:

President, F. E. Norris; Vice-President, M. E. Sawtelle; Treasurer, H. W. Nichols; Chaplain, Fred Bryant; Poet, S. R. Robinson; Historian, W. L. Waters; Orator, J. Colby Bassett; Address to Undergraduates, F. O. Welch; Parting Address, Archer Jordan; Statistician, A. W. Snare; Marshal, R. V. Hopkins; Executive Committee, R. V. Jewett, A. T. Lane, H. D. McClellan.

#### ORACLE BOARD.

The board of editors of the *Oracle* have been elected and the work on this year's publication is already begun. The editors elected are as follows: Business Manager, W. L. Waters from the Zeta Psi Fraternity; Editor-in-chief, John F. Philbrook from the Delta Upsilon Fraternity. The Associate Editors are H. W. Foss from the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity; Homer T. Waterhouse from the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity; Harry Dunn from the Zeta Psi; Albert T. Lane from the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity and Sigma Kappa is represented by Emma Fountain and Florence E. Dunn. The Non-Fraternity men have elected R. V. Jewett.

#### DELTA UPSILON RECEPTION.

A very pleasant reception was tendered the Colby Chapter of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity last week, by Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Merrill at their home on Dalton street. The occasion was most enjoyable one. A large number of invited guests from the townspeople and collegians was present. Representatives from each of the other Greek Letter Fraternities were in attendance and heartily joined their sister fraternity to make the occasion a pleasant one. The Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity was represented by Ralph K. Bearce, Zeta Psi by Charles W. Turner, Phi Delta Theta by Earnest H. Pratt, Al-

pha Tau Omega by Charles E. Curtis and the Non-Fraternity men by S. R. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill were assisted in receiving by Miss Ella Kittridge, Percy Merrill and F. O. Welch, after which the guests engaged in merry conversation. After refreshments were served the members of the Chapter sang several fraternity and college songs. These were followed by a beautiful piano solo by Miss Lotta Proctor and a vocal solo by Miss Effie Stephens. At a late hour the guests separated much delighted with the evenings entertainment.

#### BASE BALL MANAGERS MEET.

The managers of the Colby, Bates and Maine State College base ball teams had a meeting at Bangor, Saturday, and discussed the formation of the Maine Intercollegiate League for the coming season. Nothing definite was done, however, the whole matter and the arrangement of a schedule of games being postponed to another meeting to be held in January.

For the sake of keeping up the old four-club league, Colby and Maine State are in favor of allowing Bowdoin to play the students of the Maine Medical School, if she chooses. The Bates manager is against this, but agreed to lay the plan of admitting Bowdoin and the Medics with certain restrictions before the Bates students for their decision. Colby is very anxious to have Bowdoin in the league.

The rivalry between Colby and Bowdoin in base ball has always been very keen and the interest in the contests between their teams has created more interest than have those played by the other Maine colleges. Colby would of course prefer to have the league made up of the four teams, but in case that cannot be effected, she will want the chance to go up against Bowdoin for the championship.

#### GOOD WILL FARMS.

Every member of Colby University who has assisted during the past three weeks in raising a fund for Good Will Farms, should be glad that he has had the opportunity. The money was given to help one of the noblest works for the

uplifting of unfortunate and homeless boys in the New England States.

At first, it was intended to purchase turkeys for the boys' Thanksgiving dinner, but word was received that a gentleman in Hartford, Conn., had promised to do this. The work of collecting had begun. Should we stop it? Or should we continue, and send the money raised to help buy school books, school desks, or clothing for the boys? It was thought best to continue the work. The collectors canvassed the whole college, and every one was very willing to do his part. Indeed, it was especially noticeable how glad the students, and faculty too, were, to have a share in making up this fund.

Only a small amount was expected from each one, but the many small amounts made up a sum total of \$24.40. Out of this amount enough was taken to buy a nice, fat turkey for Mr. Hinckley's own family. With the turkey ten pounds of candy was sent for the boys. So, the cash amount sent was \$20.49, for which a receipt came Dec. 1, from Mr. Hinckley. He also sent a letter of thanks in which he said, "If there is any way of conveying my thanks to those who had a share in the gift of \$20.40 to the Farms, I wish you would do it for me." Again he said in regard to the fowl that "graced his table" Nov. 29: "I cannot think of any source from which such a provision could come that would have touched me as did this from the students and others of Colby. God bless them all."

In view of what has been said, and what the students know of the work at Good Will, how much aid it needs, and how worthy it is of aid, a plan has been suggested, whereby we that are here at Colby can do something for this work.

There are many societies and clubs in college now, but yet there is room for another. At any rate, there ought to be room for a Good Will Club. The reasons why there should be such a club at Colby are many.

First, we as students, ought to be more in touch with such a mighty work of God—a work which is right here in our State, and only ten miles from our doors. Some of the more specific reasons are that a club of this kind could

take as its work the supplying of some of the school books and school utensils. It could be responsible for part of the first, or see that the boys had shoes, stockings and mittens. But perhaps that which would be most interesting and profitable for a Colby Good Will Club, would be to pick out some boy and supply him clothing and school books while he is at the Farms, and during this time inspire him to seek a college education, and if he should enter college see that he got through.

This is a possible thing and may it not be many weeks before such a club is organized in our college.

C. L. CHAMBERLAIN.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY AT LADIES' HALL.

It was truly a winter's day, but the guests at the Hall appreciated the warmth and hospitality all the more. The walls of the dining room were hung with evergreen and the table was decorated with yellow and white chrysanthemums. Twenty-seven sat down to dinner. Among the guests were Mrs. S. J. Chilcott and Mrs. Christine Stephens. After grace was said by Mr. D. W. Kimball, a raid was made upon the soup and turkey and other essentials of a Thanksgiving feast.

When it was nearing the time to serve dessert, the use of certain mysterious cards that lay beside the plates, was explained. They were blank except for a word in one corner and a pencil was attached. The guests were told that no one could have plum-pudding until a verse had been written on every card containing the word in the corner. Each gentleman was to write a verse for the lady on his right, and the lady for the gentleman on her left. With the odor of plum pudding in the air, brains worked very diligently with some happy results. The card with the word "olives" bore this tender sentiment:

"I'm very fond of olives,  
I'm very fond of you;  
But surely this is a happy day  
When I can have the two."

After the dessert was served Miss Linda Graves called on several persons for toasts.

Miss Hanscom gave a vivid description of the pleasant time the girls had in preparing for the dinner. Mr. Hanson described Thanksgiving in Aroostook, where the people are partly civilized and use knives and spoons and sometimes forks. Mr. Dalrymple gave his opinion as to whether girls can tell chicken from turkey. Other toasts were responded to by Mr. Fred Roberts, Miss Edna Stephens, Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Leavenworth, Miss Hazeltine and Mr. Collins.

It was five o'clock when the company left the dining-room for the parlors where much fun was derived from games. An exciting game of conundrums is still undecided as to which side is victor. Time passed quickly, and all too soon the guests were bidding their good friends at the Hall good night.

#### MEDICS 8- LAWYERS 6.

Foot ball is the order of the day, and newspaper columns are pretty largely occupied with glowing descriptions of scientific games, or with protests against their danger and brutality. The game that was played on the Colby campus, Wednesday, November 31, was not noticeable for its superior playing, but for some two hundred people it rivalled in interest the great Yale-Harvard contest. And if neither captain could kick a goal, neither team tried to disable the men on the other side. Rain and mud were plenty, but they could not dampen the flaming M. D. banners, nor soil the purity of the white rosettes that were displayed by the friends of the lawyers. Most of the professors and all the college girls were among the spectators, and they enjoyed it quite as much as the boys.

At the end of the first half the score was tied 4-4. But as the game proceeded, it became evident that the Medics had utilized the two days allowed for practice, a little better than the lawyers; and when time was called the score stood 8 to 6 in their favor.

A word must be said in regard to the very efficient work done by Mr. Hanson, chief police, and his assistants Messrs. Hamilton and Thompson. Disorder was checked and needed arrest

made in a very prompt and praiseworthy manner.

#### SENIOR APPOINTMENTS.

The appointments for the Senior class for excellence in composition are announced and are as follows: Gentlemen, J. Colby Bassett, "Two English Novelists;" Albert T. Lane, "The Appeal of Laszarus;" W. L. Waters, "David B. Hill;" F. O. Welch, "The Policy of Richelieu and its Lesson." Ladies, Miss Emma Fountain, "Poetry of the Dark Ages;" Miss Alice Bray, "Browning's Philosophy of Life."

#### RECEPTION AT PRESIDENT WAITMAN'S.

Last Tuesday evening President Whitman's home was the scene of a very pleasant gathering. The large parlors were filled to overflowing with a crowd of pleasant, happy people. Town people, professors and students mingled and got acquainted with one another. During the evening several musical selections were given, including a piano solo by Miss Smith, of Skowhegan, and songs by the '96 Ladies' Quartette, and by a '95 Gentleman's Quartette. After the music refreshments were served.

A contributor, who was asked to write something seasonable for the ECHO, begs us to print the following that came into his mind Thanksgiving night:

"Most of the rhyme  
At Thanksgiving time  
Is properly spent on the turkey  
But as you will see  
Even that's beyond me  
For this meter's decidedly jerky."

### Personals

D. L. Flynt preached at Stetson, last Sunday.

H. T. Watkins and F. O. Welch are on the sick list.

Roy M. Barker visited Lynn Adams at Wilton, last week.

Miss Mattie D. Tracy, class of '97, is teaching at the Westbrook Seminary.

Miss Kate Hegarton, of Winthrop, is visiting Miss Grace Gatchell at Ladies' Hall.

F. E. Norris was the guest of Fred Bryant in Pittsfield during the recent recess.

George Baker spent the Thanksgiving recess with W. H. Holmes, Jr., in Augusta.

Hopkins, Chapman, Waters and Bradeen, witnessed the Yale and Harvard game.

D. W. Kimball, who is taking the Theological Course at Newton, visited friends at the Bricks, last week.

Mrs. S. J. Chilcott spent Thanksgiving Day at the Palmer House with her daughter, Miss Clio Chilcott.

Miss Elizabeth Searles, class of '98, leaves college Saturday, to take charge of a school in South Berwick.

Dean Tolman, '98, left last week for Otis Falls, where he is to teach the High School, during the winter.

Miss Hattie McCallum, '97, has been obliged to give up her college work for a time on account of ill health.

Albert Robinson, who graduated in the class of '93, and who is principal of Hampden Academy, is visiting friends in town this week.

C. K. Brooks, who was seriously injured in the Colby-Bates game has sufficiently recovered to be able to resume his college work.

Walter L. Gray, President of the Base Ball Association, attended the meeting of the managers of the different Maine College ball teams at Bangor, last week.

A very pleasant afternoon tea was given to the '94 girls in town by Miss Hazeltine on Friday, Nov. 30, at Ladies' Hall.

At the meeting of the city Y. M. C. A., the Colby Ladies' Quartette consisting of Misses Farr, Pepper, Mathews and Searles assisted in the evening exercises.

Miss Annie Richardson and Miss Ella Merrill are passing a day or two with friends in town. They are on their way to Charleston where they teach in Higgin's Academy.

Most of the students passed the Thanksgiving recess at their homes. A number visited friends

in Bangor and in Skowhegan. Those who were left were made welcome by friends in the city.

#### PSCHYCOLOGY.

"Fate rolls around again to you,  
Expound, How can mind know matter,"  
The maiden smiled as maidens do  
And sweetly said, "No matter."

### The Faculty

Dr. Whitman preached before the students of Cornell, last Sunday.

Dr. Rogers entertained several members of the Senior and Junior classes, who are taking elective work in his department, at his home Thanksgiving.

President Whitman lectured at the Baptist Church in this city, last week, on "Browning." The lecture was attended by all the students and a large number of townspeople.

President Whitman has delivered two lectures since the issue of the last ECHO. Tuesday evening, Nov. 27, he delivered a lecture on the "Revival of Patriotism," at Belfast, and the following evening lectured on the "Message of Youth," at Rockland.

Prof. William Rogers read two papers Oct. 30, before the National Academy of Sciences at New Haven, Conn. The first was on "An Indirect Experimental Determination of the Energy of Obscure Heat," and the second on "Determination of the Errors of the Circles of Electrotpe Copy of Tycho Brahe's Altitude Azimuth Instrument now in possession of the Smithsonian Institution." The latter paper was exceptionally valuable, and indicated deep original research. Dr. Rogers proved conclusively that the experiments and deductions of Tycho Brahe were remarkably correct and that his primeval instrument was approximately accurate.

### Fraternity Notes

#### DELTA UPSILON CONVENTION.

The 60th Annual Convention of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity was held with the Union

Chapter at Schenectady, N. Y., Oct. 25th and 26th.

On the afternoon of the 24th the delegates began to arrive, and at the opening of the convention on the morning of the 25th, about one hundred and twenty delegates were present representing twenty-eight chapters. The private sessions of the convention were held in the County Court House on the morning and afternoon of Thursday and Friday.

Important business was transacted of interest to every D. U. man. Immediately following the Thursday afternoon session an afternoon tea and reception was tendered to the delegates and visitors by Judge and Mrs. Sandon assisted by their daughters. Many of the ladies of Schenectady were present and assisted in making the occasion an enjoyable one.

On the evening of the 25th the public literary exercises were held in the First Reform Church. The delegates attended in a body. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Andrews, and after prayer by Rev. Thornton R. Penfield, E. H. Cassells of the University of Wisconsin was introduced as historian of the occasion. The history was well given and received hearty applause. The special feature of the occasion was the oration of Prof. John F. Gening, Union '70, on the subject the "Liberalization of a Liberal Education." It is needless to say that the address did credit to the author, and was a treat rarely enjoyed. The exercises closed with selections from the orchestra and a rousing fraternity song. The boys then repaired to the hall of the Union Chapter where a pleasant evening was enjoyed interspersed with music and refreshments.

Friday evening a theatre party was formed and a pleasant evening was spent at the Van Curler Opera House. After the play the members boarded a special train for Albany, where a fine banquet was enjoyed at the "Delvan." After the eatables were disposed of, toasts were given by George F. Andrews, Brown '92, Ralph W. Thomas, Colgate '88, Emerson E. Schneff, De Pauw '95, W. S. Youngman, Harvard '95, and many others.

The old fraternity songs were then sung, and amid cheers for Delta U. and the Union Chapter, the convention broke up all agreeing that it had been one of the most successful conventions ever held.

The Annual National Convention of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity will be held at Washington, D. C., on the 26th, 27th and 28th of this month. The Gamma Alpha Chapter will be represented by H. T. Waterhouse, '95.

#### THE D. K. E. CONVENTION.

The Forty-eighth Annual Convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity was held in New York, Nov. 14-15-16 with the New York Alumni Association and was one of the largest in the history of the fraternity. New York being so centrally located and offering so many attractions is an admirable place for a convention of any sort, and as this convention was the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the fraternity, it was to be expected that it would be a most glorious occasion.

Our New York brothers proved themselves Past Masters as entertainers, and it was with deep regret that the delegates finally had to part from them.

The headquarters of the delegates were at Park Avenue Hotel, one of the finest in the city, while the public exercises and banquet were held at "Sherry's" on Fifth Avenue. The first part of the convention programme was the reception which was given by the New York Club at their magnificent Club House on Fifth Avenue, Wednesday evening. Here amid beautiful surroundings new acquaintances were formed and old ones renewed, and enlivened by vocal and instrumental music the evening passed quickly away. At this reception Xi Chapter was well represented, there being present beside the six undergraduate members, Hon. Mark Hill Dunnell, of '49, who delivered the Commencement Oration here a few years ago, Col. R. C. Shannon, '62, who has brought honor to the Chapter and Fraternity by being elected as Representative to Congress from New York

State, and E. F. Stevens, '88, who is a member of the Grand Council of the Fraternity. At 10 o'clock the next morning the business meeting of the convention was called to order by President Henry Hyde, Yale, '86, and in the two sessions of that day business of great importance to the Fraternity was transacted.

In the evening the public exercises were held at Sherry's, the presiding officer being Hon. Charles S. Fairchild, Ex-Secretary of the Treasury. The Historical Address was Hon. John Dewitt Warner, Cornell '72, and was intensely interesting. The oration was by Judge Samuel Hunt, of Ohio, and was one of the most classical, eloquent and finished orations it has been the pleasure of the delegates to annual conventions to hear.

Business occupied the next day, and among other things it was voted to hold the next convention in Syracuse, N. Y. Part of the day was spent in a trip through Central Park which is so famous as to need no description.

Friday evening occurred the crowning glory of the convention, the banquet, and it was a splendid affair. It was given in one of the most beautiful halls in New York city, fitted completely in white and gold, and the music by the orchestra in the balcony made the discussion of the elegant menu seem a beautiful dream. The post prandial exercises were in charge of Hon. Charlton Lewis, Yale '53, a brilliant and witty speaker himself, and in his brilliancy and wit he was rivalled by the eight speakers who responded to toasts.

The hero of the evening, however, was William Boyd Jacobs, of Yale, the only surviving founder of the Fraternity, and the love and esteem in which he is held, was indicated by the presentation of a beautiful gold loving cup, made by Tiffany, and the gift of all the chapters of the Fraternity. It was a late hour that the Mystic Circle was formed and in the usual Deke manner the convention proper was dissolved.

The next morning many of the delegates went to New Haven to visit the home of the parent chapter, and one of the pleasantest things of the whole week was the half-day spent

with the Yale brothers. It was a fitting close to the anniversary.

## Y. M. C. A. Notes

The work of the Y. M. C. A. has been very encouraging this term. There has been an unusual interest in both the prayer meetings and the Bible study courses. Our desire is that we can report even greater progress next term.

### MR. CHIBA'S LECTURE.

At the Union Missionary Meeting last Tuesday, we were favored by a very interesting talk from Mr. Chiba upon the China-Japanese war. He gave a very clear account of the origin and cause of the war, and its probable outcome and effects upon Oriental civilization. He said that although Christian missionaries were at present jeopardized yet eventually the war could only result in the further advancement of progress, and in added strength to Christian missions. For Japan, he said, stood for the nineteenth century's enlightenment, and that there was no doubt whatever but that Japan would be victorious in its conflict with conservative and backward Chinese.

Mr. Chiba is studying in this country with a view to returning in a few years as a minister and teacher to his native people, the Japanese.

## Y. W. C. A. Notes

Generous contributions for sending delegates to the Northfield Convention next summer, are being received from the members of the Association.

The Association will take charge of the prayer and praise service at the Women's Reading Rooms next Sunday afternoon. The '96 ladies' quartette will furnish music.

## Athletic Notes

The board of management of the Foot Ball Association wish to extend a vote of thanks through the columns of the ECHO to Dr. J. F.

Hill for his generous support during the season. Not only did he devote services to injured players, but he also used his influence with the business men of the city to the material aid of the association. The thanks of the association is also due those of the business men who so readily granted financial help. The men of the college should in all their dealings remember and patronize those who patronize us. In addition to the list of last week the following have made generous contributions: Alden & Deehan, Dr. A. E. Bessey, Wardwell Bros., H. C. Gould, David Gallert, J. Peavy & Bros., W. B. Arnold & Co., Thompson & Wheeler, A. F. Drummond.

## Alumni Notes

'43.

We regret to learn of the death of Rev. Lyman Chase, formerly pastor of the Baptist Church in Kennebunkport.

'68

Rev. W. H. Clark, of Charleston, conducted the Chapel service at the college Tuesday, on Dec. 4th.

'71.

Rev. A. K. Gurney, after a period of rest in this country, sailed from New York, Nov. 28, on his return to missionary work in Assam.

'81.

On Sunday, Nov. 18th, the Waterville Baptist Church was supplied by Rev. F. M. Preble, of Camden.

'82

Rev. W. T. Jordan, founder, and for seven years pastor of the Free Church at Morrill's Corner, has accepted a pastorate at Silverton, Col.

'83.

Ernest H. Rowell, who was obliged to give up his college course on account of ill health in his Sophomore year, died recently at Oakland, S. C. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

'84

The new buildings of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Yokohama, were dedicated on Mon-

day afternoon, Oct. 22. Rev. J. L. Dearing, president of the Seminary, had charge of the services.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 25, at the Free St. Baptist Church, Portland, Rev. J. E. Cummings of Henzada, Burma, delivered an exceedingly interesting, instructive address on his missionary work.

'93

Albert Robinson is visiting college friends.

'94

E. C. Clark was in town on Monday, Dec. 3.

M. C. Freeman was in town for several days recently.

C. W. Pierce has been visiting college friends in Waterville.

Miss Fannie Chutter spent the Thanksgiving recess at Ladies' Hall.

Miss Clara Jones, was in town a few hours Tuesday on her way home for the Thanksgiving recess.

T. H. Kinney preached at Bath, Dec. 2, and stopped at the college a few hours on his return to Bangor Theological Seminary.

Miss Lillie Hazeltine, preceptress at Higgin's Institute, Charleston, is spending her vacation of two weeks with her old friends at Ladies' Hall.

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