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THE DIFFERENCE.

In olden times the business man His letter thus began: "Respected sir, to write a line. I take my pen in hand."

But in modern times 'tis vastly changed, And this is what we see:

"To write to you, I take, dear sir, My typewriter on my knee."

-Ex.



NY ONE desiring a copy of President Butler's picture, printed in the last ECHO, can obtain the same by sending a stamp to the publishers.

THE informal receptions held on the first Tuesday of every month by Professor and Mrs. Butler are a pronounced success if one may judge by the reports from those who attended last Tuesday.

WE are looking forward with a great deal of interest to the first debate in the New England Intercollegiate Debating League February 27th, when we meet Bates at Lewiston. Messrs. Cole, Collins, and Dunn, who were the winners of the Junior debate last year, are to be Colby's representatives.

TN the next ECHO we hope to present our readers with several articles discussing the advisability of abolishing final examinations, at least in the case of those students who have attained an average rank of 85 per cent. during the term. Several, if not

all the articles, will be by different professors, giving their views on the subject. We are anticipating a very interesting discussion on this subject as it is one which is being agitated n many of the progressive colleges of the country.

WE shall also publish a half-tone engraving of Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Colby '70, with a sketch of his life. Mr. Powers is Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives, and will undoubtedly be our next Governor.

THE Greek play and German entertainment which are soon to be given at City Hall by students in these branches will be something entirely new in this State, nothing of the kind ever having been given by a Maine college. Great credit is due to Professors Stetson and Marquardt for the work they have done to make these entirely successful. The practice in the languages which the students get rehearsing for these plays is of great value. It is hoped that every member of the college will attend, and so help to make the financial part as successful as the literary part is sure to be.

full report of the changes effected in the Athletic constitution is given in another column. The old Baseball, Football and Athletic Associations have been abolished and in their place the new Athletic Association will hereafter have full charge of all athletic sports here at Colby. Through the efforts of members of the faculty, and by subscriptions from the students, a debt incurred by the different associations and amounting to over \$1400, has been lifted, and the new association will enter upon its duties with every assurance of success. We believe that a new

era of prosperity has begun for athletics at Colby.

TOR some time past the manifest improvement in THE ECHO had given its friends reason to hope that slowly and steadily our college publication would become one that we could read with some degree of pride. For THE ECHO that appeared on January 22nd no one-student or editor-has a word of defense. An issue like that is a disgrace to the college which it represents or, rather, misrepresents. When a bi-monthly, issued in a college of over 200 students, contains only one page of original literary matter within its covers, it is about time a reform was The editors of THE ECHO work started. for that publication, but it is rather too much to expect them to write the literary matter in addition to doing the reporting, clipping, proof-reading and numberless other small things attendant upon editorial work- We appeal to the pride and college spirit of the student body. From our ECHO there ought to ring as bright poems, as spicy essays, as characteristic stories as from the pages of any college publication in New England. There is enough literary tal ent in college, if each student would contriute willingly one article or poem a year, to make our paper what it ought to be. Will you personally help lift THE ECHO to a higher plane?

THE HONOR SYSTEM.

HERE is one crying evil in this colege, and that is dishonesty in examinations. One of two things ought to be done here at Colby, and done at once. Either those students who attain an average of 85 per cent. in regular class-room work should be excused from examinations, or the honor system, as adopted with such

marked success Princeton, Williams and other colleges, should be introduced. \mathbf{At} Princeton so highly do the students guard their honor that recently, when one of the men was found cheating in exams an indignation meeting was held by the student body, and word was sent him that he could obtain his things by sending for them, but that he could not again come In several instances upon the campus. students have been suspended for dishonesty, and it is said that nothing has been so potent a factor in raising Princeton to her present high moral standpoint as the introduction of the honor system. In the past it has not been an uncommon thing here at Colby to see professedly Christian men, men who would scorn to do a mean action or cheat their fellow-students out of a cent of money, go into examinations and apparently leave all their moral principles at the door. The harm done by one who is thus dishonest is two-fold. He wrongs both himself and his fellow-students. No man can deliberately cheat in examinations without blunting his moral perceptions, and whether his dishonesty is seen by anyone or not, he will feel meaner; will unavoidably be lowered in his own esteem. Now, while the man who does faithful work in the class-room gains higher rank than does the dishonest one, yet in examinations the rule is reversed, for there the man who cheats passes the best, and so the relative. standing of the faithful, honest man is lowered. This is a manifest injustice, and yet one must either himself cheat or be cheated if the system now in vogue is to prevail longer. At Princeton each student, before he leaves the examination, signs a slip stating that he has received no outside aid of any sort. None of the professors are present in the room and without doubt

they are only too glad to be excused from so unpleasant a duty. Each man takes it upon himself to see that neither he nor his neighbor cheats in any way, and the result is that not only the moral but the intellectual standard of Princeton has been raised immeasurably. Why cannot Colby share in these good things?

MORNING.

The world lies in the hush of morn, While heavy hangs the ghostlike mist Far o'er the rustling yellow marsh, Soft-shaken by the sea's salt breath. The black sea lies in sullen calm, Ane by its blackness bodes its harm.

But lo! the eastern gates grow red, The moon fades in the glowing light, From out the sea the bright sun rides In painted splendor's car of gold. The marsh-grass bows in reverence deep, Awakened from its drowsy sleep.

-BRUNONIAN.

A SONG FOR ROSE.

The roses bow down as she passes by, They're fair but she's fairer; Than any rose that blooms under the sky, Yes, lovlier, rarer Is my Rose, bonny Rose,— Yes fairer, And rarer.

-THE MOUNT HOLYOKE,



HORACE, BOOK IV, ODE XIII.

The gods have heard, have heard my prayers, And, Lyce, though you put on airs, We all are counting your gray hairs.

You sip your wine with delectation, And now, in sweet exhilaration, You sing in cracked tintabulation.

Shameless, you dare play with the fire That haunts the blooming cheeks of Chia, Who picks out tunes upon the lyre.

Love flees the withered trunk; you, too, With wrinkled cheeks and silvered queue, And molars which no longer chew.

Not purple silks nor gems, forsooth, Can bring back thy departed youth Buried, 'alas, in books of truth.

Where flees love, blushes, steps to pride The two-step or the polka glide? What's left of her you may decide.

Who in my love played second fiddle, Fate, cutting life's thread in the middle, For her who first solved my love's riddle,

Erom Lyce, poor old crow, forbore That youths might see, with many a roar, Her torch fall crumbling to the floor.

J. C. 8. '98.

THE TWO GREAT ENGLISH UNIVER-SITIES.

Of Oxford, Dr. Butler has told an incident that will show us Colby students that the English University is different from ours. He was present at the conferring of degrees, and, as always, the undergraduttes were making a tumult in the great sheatre by their impudent raillery that spared no one. When the officer rose to confer degrees the tumult was as loud as ever. Dignitaries make no impression on Oxford students. His address was in Latin. At the end of his third sentence the house was quiet and then the students were as busy following the address as they had been in interrupting others. Every joke was appreciated, every good point applauded. "A Latin oration to quell a mob!" exclaimed Dr. Butler.

Probably none of us have found it easy to give any just conception of our college life to outsiders yet when we look at Harvard and see the influences of numbers of buildings and apparatus of every .description for work, of years and traditions; when we consider these influences we see that the Harvard student lives in a more complex college life than we do. Yet Harvard dwindles more beside the English universities than Colby does beside Harvard. In years, for example, Harvard was 184 years old when Colby began life. Cambridge and Oxford were 380 years old and more when Harvard was born. Consider also that there are 32 colleges in Cambridge and Oxford, many of them larger than Colby, and do not think you know anything about these universities when you have finished this article.

Oxford, the older of the two, lies between the river Thames (or Isis, as it is called between Oxford and Dorchester) and the river Cherwell, a smaller stream. Thus Oxford's situation is not unlike Waterville's except that the smaller stream is on the left and the larger stream on the right of the town. Cambridge, the seat of the other university, is a very different town from Oxford. It lies on the river Cam, at the meeting of the chalk and fen lands and is described as a dull, ugly town, without interest save for its university. In this it is a complete contrast to the rich old cathedral town of Oxford.

The two universities are much alike in general plan; rather unlike, I judge, in minor points, and quite different in policy, Cambridge being progressive—the Whig; Oxford being conservative—the Tory.

An English university is formed on a plan not unlike this: A number of colleges, separate corporations, are joined in one corporation, the University, which has its head officer and corps of lecturers, examiners, etc. The University has laws, which must be obeyed by its colleges and its individual members. The members of the university are all regular students in the colleges and those men who, after a seven years' residence at a college and after taking an A. M. or higher degree, keep their names on a college list. These last named members are allowed to vote for the university officers and for the university representative in parliament. The University offers no courses of study and no recitations, only triposes or examinations. The man who passes most successfully Cambridge's four or five triposes in Mathematics, is the Senior Wrangler, a person of whom we have all heard. These several Mathematical (and other) triposes come near together with intervals of four or five days only between them. They last from three to five days and are of increasing difficulty. No man can enter the higher triposes, be he never so well qualified for the work, until he has passed the lower, and when a man does not pass his name is printed in the list of "plucked" students. The University offers examinations only; what do the colleges offer? Examinations and a few lectures, and the college examinations are as a preparation for the University examinations. There are no classes and no professors. There

are tutors and coaches and examinations. Each student is under the charge of a tutor, who advises his pupil what coach to choose and the coach prescribes a course of study. Two or three times each week the student recites to his coach and only the favorite coaches, who have a large number of students, have more than one student at a recitation. To his tutor the young man is accountable in all matters of spending money and behavior.

All the students must wear the regulation cap and gown. Richard Harding Davis thus speaks of the Oxford costume: "There were also some delightful rules as to when and where the undergraduate must appear in cap and gown, which latter he wears with a careless contempt that would greatly shock the Seniors of the colleges in the Western States, who adopt the hat and gown annually and announce the fact in the papers. It struck me as a most decollete garment and in most cases was very ragged and worn without much dignity." These garments reach only to the waist hence they are described in this way by our compatriot. In both universities, if a student is found out of doors after dark without his regalia on he is fined. If at Oxford a student is found ontside his college quadrangle after ten P.M., he is fined. If he is caught smoking after ten he is fined. If it is after eleven when the proctor catches him the fine is two-pence greater. Imagine such rules obeyed by a Colby boy! Yet I suppose Oxford and Cambridge boys would consider the daily recitations an encroachment on their personal liberty.

There is something "different" in the very names of those colleges. Imagine a western college called Corpus Christi! It is worth our while to know what are the names of these colleges. Those of Cambridge lie on the two sides of the Cam.

On one side are Magdaline, Clare, Trinity, Hall, Gonville and Caius. On the other side are St. John's, Sidney, Sussex, Jesus, Emmanuel, Christ, St. Peter's, Pembroke, Queen's, Dowing, St. Catherine, (called Cats for short) Corpus Christi and Kings. It is this last named college that has the wonderful Kings' Chapel among its buildings, but it is useless to begin to tell the things that are connected with these col-The colleges of Oxford are: All leges. Souls, Balloil, Brasenose, Christ Church, Corpus Christi, Exeter, Hertford, Jesus, Keble, Lincoln, Merton, New College, Oriel, Pembroke, Queen's, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary, Magdaline, Trinity University, Wadhan, Worchester and seven others have The students of these become extinct. colleges live in the rooms where many of England's most noted men have lived. The halls where they dine, huge stone paved halls, are hung with the portraits of Every building has somethese masters. thing rare and old and unique connected At Oxford the Bodlian Library is with it. perhaps the greatest treasure house of all. It is inconceivable that a young Englishman could live in one of these universities without having his national pride and love intensified for his living among the glories of old England.

A thing of which we often hear is the boat race between Cambridge and Oxford. For weeks before the great day the college crews are racing together for the honor of being University crews. When at length the appointed day comes the crews gather at the appointed place. The boats are ranged in a long line, the shore is crowded with students in running costumes all alike save that each man wears his college's color. A shot is fired and the boats are pushed by long poles into the stream. The distances between the boats are exactly alike. As the last shot is fired the boats leap off and the howling mob of young men dashes along the bank. The streams are not wide enough to allow the boats to pass so the only way in which a boat wins is by so gaining on the one before it that the two boats bump. There is no finish to the race but at the end of the course are the visitors in gayly decorated barges. A rather cut and dried affair, it seems to us, but it is exciting enough to the racers, no doubt.

There is a good deal that has been written about these universities. R. H. Davis's "Our English Cousins" and C. A. Bristed's "Five Years in an English University," are the best books I found. A series of lectures "On the Cam." by William Everett is a long spoken story of the Cambridge life that does not let one into the spirit of the life as much as Davis's short chapter. O. W. Holmes gives us a very dignified description of the universities from the standpoint of "a distinguished guest."

THE STANDARD OF TRUE GENTLE-MANLINESS.

AN ALLEGORY.

What constitutes a gentleman? This question entered my mind quite unceremoniously one day and demanded an answer. I pondered the matter for some time without arriving at any satisfactory conclusion, until at longth, wearied with my problem, I fell asleep. I dreamed, however, that I was confronted by the same perplexing question, and with the same inability to answer it.

I was about to give up in despair, when one who stood near me, noticing my troubled look, inquired the cause. I told him, and he at once directed me to a place close by, where he assured me I would find assistance. I went, and lo! I beheld an examination of nominal gentlemen. Thousands of men of all classes and conditions were there to undergo this ordeal. At a short distance from the throng, raised on a lofty platform was a measuring-post. Near the top of the post was a horizontal bar of gold, and above the bar I read, printed in letters of gold, these words: "This is the standard measure of a true gentleman."

The first to be measured was a prince. As he passed up through the throng to the measuring post, the sea of humanity quickly fell back, making a way before him, even as when that sea of old fell back before the on-coming host of Israelites. Every hat was lifted; every head bowed in homage; but as the prince approached the testingpost I saw that he began to decrease in size. Shorter and shorter he became, until, as he stood up for measurement, the glittering rod shone some three feet above his head. He was given a certificate and with shame-faced countenance descended.

The next to be examined was one whom we would term a "gentleman of dress." He presented an appearance as attractive as it was faultless. Indeed, as I looked at him, his rich, dark eyes and luxuriant hair and mustache, his elegant apparel and the glitter of gold and diamonds which adorned his person—it seemed to me that never before had I seen one quite so handsome. I was much interested in this case, for I knew that the man represented a large class of men popularly considered as gentlemen. Imagine my surprise when I saw him, before the standard, decrease to a size even smaller than that of the prince.

The next was a brilliant scholar—so said one who was standing by my side, In college he had won high honors, The applause of fellow-students, pride of parents and

flattering compliments of professors and friends, had been lavished upon him. During his public life his fame as a scholar had rapidly increased, until it had become worldwide. But as he neared the post his scholarly attainments seemed to fade into insignificance before that relentless test. He, too, came far below the standard.

I then beheld one after another go forward for examination. Among them were men of exceptional popularity: famous orators, statesmen, politicians, athletes. Every one, however, failed to reach the glittering standard. "Can it be," I exclaimed, "that of all this vast throng not one reaches the standard of a gentleman!"

I was about to turn away disappointed, when I noticed a young man of modest demeanor ascend the platform. I saw a smile pass over the countenances of the multitude, for it seemed clear to all that this humble fellow stood no chance what-The smile, however, was soon ever. changed into a look of astonishment, for as the young man approached the post he seemed to rise. Higher and higher he rose until I saw his head touch the golden rod. Applause rang through the throng, but the young man, having received a certificate, descended with the same modest, unassuming air that had so impressed me when he I hastened over to where he went up. stood and asked the privilege of reading his certificate. He handed it to me and I read these words: "The Golden Rule is the standard of true gentlemanliness. By it you have been measured and not been found wanting." I looked up from the certificate into the man's face. The face was plain, but there was an inexpressible something that characterized his countenance, and, indeed, his whole demeanor, which gave me the feeling that I was in the presence of a true gentleman.

The dream has long since vanished, but its influence still lives to remind me that the rule divinely taught and practised is the only standard of true gentlemanliness. C. L. S. '97.

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THE CHARM OF THE PAST.

The farther we go back into the past the harder it is to discover the true history of a people. It is not long since the early history of many nations was almost wholly based on unreliable tradition. The most painstaking research and study have given men of the present day what seems to be a truer idea of the remote past, but the problem is not all solved yet. We talk about unveiling the future; men have spent their lives in trying to unveil the past.

What knowlege of history we have, however, is enough to interest and fascinate us. In the more immediate past lived men and women whose names we often speak, whose lives we often think upon. Pericles, with his noble Grecian face, Cæsar sinking at the foot of Pompey's statue in a dark pool of blood, Columbus sailing over a wide and unknown sea, Zenobia with her golden chains, and Saxon Edith with her broken heart,—how plainly we can see them ! They have gone from the world but not from its life. Of that they are still a part.

If we go farther back where we have not much to guide us but stories and legends, whose literal truth we can not vouch for, we shall still find men and women who by their sins and their longings, their hopes and their despair, appeal to us for sympathy and belief. If they never really lived, they represent life so truly that their names can not be forgotten. 'As long as men dwell upon the earth, Hel-

en will be a synonym for beauty and Job for patienee. As long as one man shall give his life for many, men will think of Quintus Custius, who threw himself into the dark abyss to save his native city.

There are many things yet to be learned before we can look with clear vision through the long vista of past ages; many things that both science and history are powerless to explain. We have searched in vain for the four rivers that flowed through the Garden of Eden. The Sphinx of Egypt, looking over the white sands of the desert, still asks men questions that they cannot answer. The sea sweeps over the lost Atlantis and gives no sign.

It is these secrets of history, that we may never know, that charm us after all, more than truth or half truth, fact or legend. We pursue them like phantom shapes. We reach out to touch them and they are gone. And if we could, would we take away the iron mask to see the face behind it?

FLORENCE ELIZABETH DUNN.

JACOB STRAUSS SEES A FOOTBALL GAME.

Jacob Strauss had not been in this country very long when he chanced one day to see a football game. I shall try to imitate the way in which he told a friend about it.

I vas oud daking ein leedle valk de odder tay, unt I haf do go py a fielt, vhere dere vas some poys blaying vat you call 'im ? ach, yah, foodpall. Py cracious! Dey vas all tressed in funny clotes, mit pig stuffed preeches. Unt I guess dey vas haf neet of de stuffiing, 'cause dey vas blay so hart unt rough as neffer vas. I tought dey vas hafing ein pig fight, put somepody tolt me dey only blay, so I tink I sday unt vatch dem. Dey haf ein pig pall, vich vas nod shapet like pall, put shoot like ein aig. Von of dose poys vould dake id, unt den he voult dry do run, put de odder poys voult trow him town unt den dey voult all chump on him unt dey voult neffer gid off until he holler 'town'. Den anodder one voult dry id, but dey chump on him shoost de same vay. Some dime von of de poys voult kick der pall, unt dey voult all run after id as fast as dey coult.

Dot vas de vorstest game I vas effer see. I ton't see vy dey calls im foodpall, Dey dakes de pall mit dere hants most all de dime, unt dey ton't kick id fery often, aindt it ?

Vell, pimepy I go home, unt I dells mein frou all apout id. I got me some leedle poys at home, unt ven I dells mein frau apout dot game she vas scaret like efry dings, 'cause she dink may pe dose poys voult learn do blay id. Put I dells you, mein frient, I guess maype I don't led 'em blay dot game, 'cause id vas so rough. Ven I see dose odder poys blay, dere vas a lod of dem vas get hurted, unt I guess I ton't vant my leedle poys do go unt get dereselves hurted, ven dere vas so many vays dey can get hurted ven dey don't vant to get hurted. Ach! No, dot footpall vas doo mooch like dose,-vat you call 'em ? Ach, ja, it vas doo mooch like dose brize fights.

THE LAW SUIT.

He had a steadfast friend at its beginning,

The highest honor and the deepest truth,

Desire to keep in thought and deed from sinning, A plan for righting fancied wrongs, and youth.

He had an enemy when it was ended,

An honor stained, a heart grown sad and cold. A little pile of gold, a mansion splendid,

Dim eyes and silver hair, for he was old. ALIGE LENA COLE, Colby '98, in Youth's Companion.



Concert company composed of several ladies of the college intend a trip to Vassalboro in the near future. Their programme will consist of solos, duets, quartettes and readings. The entertainment will be given for the benefit of the Congregational church there.

It was 10.15 P. M. at one of the halls. He closed the door gently from the outside. She, within, went slowly up the stairs singing joyously, "We'll never say goodbye in Heaven."

The first full rehearsal of the Greek play was held at Prof. Stetson's home on the evening of January 18th. After the business of the evening was finished, ice cream, fancy cakes and coffee were served. No one regretted having a part in the Greek play that night. Since then rehearsals have been held regularly and everything is promising well.

Several informal teas have been given by the young ladies at the Hall recently.

The date of the German entertainment has been fixed for February 21st. Look out for the posters.

The Freshman class of women have elected the following officers:—Orator, Bertha Weston; Prophet, Jessie Curtis; historian, Jennie Buck; poet, Annie Hull; toastmistross, Dora Parker.

President Butler spoke before the Boston Baptist Social Union Monday, January 27th, on "New England Baptists and Higher Education."

Dr. B. L. Whitman is delivering addresses in different parts of the South, in the interest of Columbian. He contemplates a trip to Mexico, lecturing at several places on the route.

On the 21st of this month an entertainment will be given by the German department of the college under the direction and with the assistance of Dr. Marquardt. Both professor and students will endeavor to make the occasion interesting and will undoubtedly receive the hearty support of all, especially since the receipts are to be devoted chiefly to the Athletic Association.

Albert Robinson '93, Superintendent of Schools at Skowhegan, passed a few days at the college recently.

M. E. Sawtelle '95, who has been teaching at North New Portland, called on the boys last week.

Miss Carrie M. Douglass, instructor in elocution at Hebron Acadmy, visited friends at the college, Wednesday last.

Professor A. J. Roberts lectured at Norridgewock, Friday evening, January 31st, on "Education." Mrs. Roberts accompanied him.

The last two illustrated lectures given by Professor Warren in Shannon Observatory have been on (1) "The Earlier, and (2) The Later Forms of Greek Sculpture."

Professor J. William Black has recently been elected to active membership in the Alpha chapter of Maryland Phi Beta Kappa Society at Johns Hopkins University.

E. M. Stacy, Colby '91, Supt. in the Maine Water Company in the Calais department, was in the city on business last woek.

Lost :--- A large pan of peanut taffy. The taffy was set out by the door to cool,

and mysteriously disappeared. If the finder will return the pan he may have the taffy. H. H., E. M., E. F. and A. E.

Valentine parties seem to be the style this year. On the night of February 14th the Senior ladies will receive the gentlemen of their class at the home of Miss Florence Dunn; and the Freshman ladies will receive the gentlemen of their class at Miss Josephine Toward's.

The students are finding the Thursday night conferences especially interesting this term. Dr. Butler shows himself to be in close touch with the young men and women of the college along this line as well as along other lines.

The Bachelor of Arts offers a prize of \$125 for the best short story written by an undergraduate subscriber, the particulars and terms of competition being explained in the February number. The Lasselle Leaves also offers prizes amounting to \$150 for short stories written by college students. Such incentives ought to inspire our amateur story writers to undertake this very profitable branch of composition, even though they turn a deaf ear to the entreaties of their college publications.

Last Sunday Lorimer preached at the new school-house in Benton. He was assisted by the Zerocolanian quartette, which rendered several selections.

The University Extension department will give the following lectures in this city under the auspices of the Women's Association: February 17th, "The City of Rome," illustrated, by Professor L. E. Warren; February 24th, "The American Congress in its Various Homes, illustrated, by Professor J. William Black; March 2nd, "The City of Florence, illustrated, by Professor Warren. Last Monday evening Dr. Butler lectured on "Holmes," this being the first in the above series.

Sigma Kappa has purchased a new Ivers & Pond piano to use in their society rooms at Dr. Pepper's house.

At the regular meeting of the Chess Club last Saturday night C. E. Gurney '98 was elected president in place of H. W. Watkins, resigned. The secretary was instructed to arrange for tournament games to be played by correspondence with Bowdoin, and also with Hebron, where a chess club has recently been organized.

The Fifteenth Annual Reunion of the Boston Colby Alumni Association will be held at Young's Hotel next Friday evening, February 14th, at 5 30 o'clock. The meeting is to be a very important one, and some questions of vital interest to Colby will be discussed. Of the five speakers, all sons of Colby, three are college presidents. A more complete account of the meeting will be given in the next Есно. The toast list follows:

Opening Address,

D. P. BAYLEY, '67, President of the Association "Boston, the Scholar's Home."

BORDMAN HALL, Esq., '82

- "Colby's Opportunities and Present Needs," NATHANIEL BUTLER, D. D., President of Colby University.
- "The Relation of Athletics to the College Curriculum.
- GEORGE W. SMITH, '73, President of Colgate University,
- "The Higher Education of the Negro,"
- CHARLES F. MESERVE, '77, President of Shaw University.

A bulletin of the events for the next four weeks is posted at the beginning of each month in the library, thus giving the students notice of the events of interest in the order in which they are to occur. For the remainder of the month the principal events are :

Friday, February 14th. Meeting of the Boston Colby Alumni Association, at Young's Hotel, Boston.

Wednesday, February 19th. Meeting of the Faculty, at 7 o'clock.

Friday, February 21st. German Entertainment, under the direction of Professor Marquardt.

Friday, February 28th. First session of the Y. W. C. A. Conference; at the Chapel, 7 o'clock, Concert; Athletic Association Course.

Saturday, February 19th. Sessions of the Y. W. C. A. Conference, forenoon and afternoon.

The *Physical Review*, published by Cornell University, has accepted an article by Cole and Durgan '96. The subject is "An Example in Thermometers," in which the method of procedure adopted at the International Bureau of Weights and Measures has been applied to the discussion of their observation. This work will prove to be useful to students, inasmuch as the details of the method are scattered here and there over three large volumes of Memoirs, and being in French are not generally available. In the course of their work they have developed a method of studying the errors of thermometers, as first proposed by Professor Rogers. This method has within a short time been adopted in the laboratory practice of Cornell University.

W. A. R.

LOVE AND MUSIC.

Music is not the "food of Love," But Love, of Music; The spirit nourished from above Ambrosially, at Aphrodite's breast, He singeth best.

Music is not the soul of Love, But Love of Music;

Music's a bell of crystal wove,

Without the silver tongue of Love to swing, It may not ring.

-BRUNONIAN.

Coburn Classical Institute.

The last term at Coburn was marked by an increased advancement and prosperity of the school. The number of students has been greater than ever before. The work has been characterized by a spirit of earnestness and application that augurs well for the maintenance of that high standing in scholarship which the school has always held.

Miss Gilpatrick, the new preceptress, entered upon her duties at the beginning of the term. Miss Gilpatrick is a lady of broad culture, and has won a high place in the esteem of teachers and students.

During the term the reading room has been furnished with the most popular periodicals and affords a good opportunity for students to become acquainted with the affairs of the day. In this way it is of valuable aid to the literary societies of the school.

The attendance this term is greater than that of last and is increasing as new students are entering every day.

A Y. M. C. A. has been organized with officers as follows:—President, Howlett; vice-president, Sturtevant; recording secretary, Fogg; corresponding secretary, Jenkins; treasurer, Schwindt. Funds are being raised for the fitting up of a room for Y. M. C. A. work. About \$150 has already been raised.

The Y. W. C. A. has also been organized with these officers:—President, Miss Gilpatrick; vice-president, Miss Williams; recording secretary, Miss Powers; corresponding secretary, Miss Mayo; treasurer, Miss Tozier.

The young men's and young women's Bible classes are held at the school building every Sunday afternoon. They are taught by Principal Johnson and Miss Gilpatrick.

The Philomathean Debating Club has the following officers :--- President, Edward Jenkins; vice-president, Will H. Sturtevant; secretary, Charles F. Towne; treasurer, Arnold L. Foye; executive committee, Will H. Sturtevant, Herbert W. Hall, Harry Tozier and Earnest Towne. There is much interest manifested in the society and its members get valuable training in debate and parliamentary forms. The Philomathean Club has challenged the Lincoln Debating Club of Waterville High School, to a joint debate, and their challenge has been accepted. The date has not been settled but it will probably be held on the 19th of March, at the time of the High The following committee School's fair. has been elected to confer with the High School:-Professors Johnson and Lane, Messrs. Marks, Howlett and Hudson.

Hebron Happenings.

A new feature has been introduced into our school life this term. Each Tuesday morning a member of one of the classes or debating societies is appointed by the principal to give a five or six minutes' statement on some current topic of the day and world. So far this term the following subjects have been given out and very interestingly treated : The Venezuelan Boundary Dispute, The Armenian Atrocities, Transvaal Invasion, and the Monroe Doctrine. Much interest has been excited by these discussions, and this results in more study and reading of whatever our well supplied' reading room now furnishes on these subjects.

Monday, the 20th inst., the junior class had a supper in Sturtevant Hall. The teachers were invited and a social and enjoyable evening was spent. A portion of the evening was devoted to recitations, declamations, singing and piano solos by members of the class. Such gatherings are not only profitable socially but create a class and school spirit.

Henry W. Clark '96 returned this week from teaching a successful term of school in Greenwood.

A delegation from the Y. M. C. A. accepted an invitation from Pastor Hunt of Bryant's Pond to be present at the dedication of the new chapel in Greenwood on Friday evening, January 24th. The Y. M C. A. had special interest in these exercises because of their contribution toward paying the debt of the chapel at the Oxford Association in October.

All the students are taking regular work each night in the gymnasium under Mr. Teague. The baseball squad take special work by themselves under Knapp '97.

The first Lyceum was held Wednesday, January 22nd. These are wholly supported by the students; the literary standard of the meetings is of a high order and they are very helpful and instructive to all.

Rev. C. E. Owen of Houlton, now visiting the churches of the State to raise money to pay the debt of his church, passed Sunday, 19th inst., at Hebron and preached. The students enjoyed his visit very much and made a substantial contribution at their prayer meeting in the evening.

Ct Higging.

The winter at H. C. I. is a quiet and workful one. There has been no change in our numbers through the term from illness or any other cause. The public meeting of the term given by the Philopean will occur. February 17th.

There has been a little thought of organizing a football team the coming spring term, but it is the second thought that both baseball and football cannot yet be supported by the backers of sporting interests here. And the question at once comes up, "What would be done with the choice and elegant baseball ground that has been donated to the school ?"

The presence and work of Miss Tracey, Colby '97, who is supplying the place of Miss Hazleton for the term, are highly acceptable.

We, at Higgins, can share in the spiritual blessings that are falling to Colby, for nine out of the eleven that received the ordinance of baptism and united with the Baptist church recently, are from the Institute. The power of the spirit has visited us in a quiet but thorough-working way. Much credit is due Rev. Mr. Clark for his faithful and fond interest in the welfare of the school.

THE EDITOR.

The editor sat in his sanctum, His phiz was clouded with awful gloom, Letting his lessons rip; Racking his brains for an item, And stealing all he could clip. The editor sat in his class-room, As if getting over a drunk; For he made a total flunk. —Ex.

"Oh! stay," the young man said, "and rest Thy lovely head upon this vest." "I won't," replied the maiden proud, Your Waterbury ticks too loud,"

-CORNELL WIDOW.





THE NEW ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

It cannot seem out of place to review at this time a subject that has occupied a good deal of attention among the students and friends of the college for some weeks past. The changes that have just been made in our system of athletic management are changes of much importance. It is not necessary to enter into a discussion of the various evils that have cropped out under the old system. It is enough to say that through the fault of no individuals, the various athletic associations of Colby had contracted a debt of over \$1400. At a time when the importance of college athletics was being realized more than ever before, and when Colby seemed just entering a new era of success, we were weighed down by a burden which it was impossible for us to carry and which only a radical change in our whole system could permanently remove. We trust, however that the problem has been correctly solved. The confidence of the friends of the college in the new constitution we have adopted has already borne substantial fruit in subscriptions from faculty, alumni and students, to an amount sufficient to place the new association on a solid financial basis. We have confidence that it will remain so.

Without entering into the details of the new system we may be allowed to mention briefly some of the advantages it is expected to secure. The consolidation of all the athletic interests under one general management cannot fail to diminish the friction and increase the effectiveness of the machinery. The representation of the faculty and alumni on the executive com-

mittee has two advantages. It ensures wise and businesslike management and it must create a much greater interest in our college athletics among faculty and alumni, and with that more sympathy between them and the students.

Everything possible has been done to avoid the danger of hasty legislation. No meeting of the association can be held and no business 'transacted without ample notice. At the same time the general conduct of the association is left in the hands of a carefully constituted committee, much better suited for the duty than either an individual or a large and cumbrous body. Within the committee a system of checks and balances is provided which is thought to secure safety at the same time that it divides the work as simply as possible. The general committee is divided into snb-committees each of which has charge of one of the departments with which the association has to deal. While the actual work is so divided, the acts of the sub-committees require the ratification of the general committee at its monthly meeting. Careful and thoughtful management seems thus ensured.

By placing the final appointment of managers, captains, etc. in the hands of the executive committee the dangers ot a hasty election and the evils of college politics are both, as far as possible, done way with. The college has a right to expect that men will now be appointed to these important places on the basis of ability and fitness. At the same time provision is made for securing, in the election of the executive committee itself, perfect freedom of choice combined with careful and thoughtful selection.

But as the greatest evils of the old system were in the line of finances, the changes along that line are perhaps the most important.

Students and faculty become members of the association by signifying in writing their intention to pay the annual dues, and thereafter the association expects them to do so until they give notice to the contrary. While every member is at liberty to pay in cash if he wishes, it is thought that the majority will find it more convenient to have their dues included in their term bills, and they are permitted to choose While it is possible that that method. a student might find himself unable to pay dues throughout his entire course after he had signified his intention to do so, such cases would be rare, and on the whole the executive committee will have at the beginning of the year a tolerably accurate knowlege of the amount to be received from the members of the association during the year. It was the absence of this knowlege more than anything else that caused the deficits in the accounts of former years.

The total amount thus ascertained is appropriated, under the direction of the subcommittee on finances, to the uses of the various other sub-committees, allowance being made for gate receipts and other sources of income.

Each sub-committee is then compelled to live within its income. An accurate and full account of all its expenditures is kept by the treasurer of the sub-committee. At the same time the funds of the association are actually paid out only by the general treasurer, who is allowed to pay no bills without the sanction of the whole committee. Otherwise he acts at his own personal risk. Each year the accounts are audited, first by the finance committee, then by the whole executive committee, and finally by a member of the college board

of trustees. The machinery may seem complicated, but in reality it is comparatively simple and it is believed, free from serious inconvenience.

The new association starts out practically free from burdens. It starts out with the determination to contract absolutely no debts that it cannot pay, and best of all it is so constituted that it can carry out that determination successfully.

It would not be right to close this article without a word of acknowlegement to Professor Bayley, whose interest, energy and judgment have contributed more than anything else, to whatever of good there may be in the new system. The students as well as other friends of the college owe Dr. Bayley a debt which they will not find it easy to pay. Just one more word will not be amiss. The time and thought and labor that have been spent in this matter will amount to nothing without the cordial co-operation of the student body. Permit us to urge every student to support his college loyally in this as in every other way and by the payment of the exceedingly reasonable sum required, do his part toward the success of the objects in which we are all interested.

THE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

THE DAY OF PRAYER AT NEWTON.

The Day of Prayer for colleges was observed here by special services in place of the usual class-room work.

At 9.80 A. M., the various college delegations met in different rooms to make special prayer for their own loved colleges. Colby has six sons in the Seminary this year, Brothers Smith '91, Slocum and Lombard '98 of the Senior class, Kimball '94 us. After reading Acts 12: 1-5, 11-18, earnest prayers were offered in behalf of Colby and the Christian work there. Especially did we petition that the power of righteousness in the lives of professing Christians might avail in winning their fellow students.

At 10 a general meeting of students and faculty was held in the chapel. Reports from the various colleges were presented, and these were followed by remarks on the condition of the colleges. It was shown in the case of several colleges that revived interest in Christian work was in a large measure due to the influence of Northfield upon the delegations sent there. A glowing tribute to Mr. Moody's school was paid by a student who had been there. After a season of prayer for the colleges, the meeting was dismissed till 2 P. M., when we again met to listen to a very able and inspiring sermon by Rev. N. R. Everts of Wakefield, Mass., from the text, "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." Zech. 4:6. He emphasized the thought that we are not indispensable to God, but that God is indispensable to us, in Christian work. Israel was utterly rejected for failing to do God's work, and a new people chosen, so that for eighteen centuries Gentile lips have proclaimed His truth. In order to realize our need of God we must learn to know Him. "The pure in heart shall see God."

Twenty colleges were reported. In the case of a few no exact statistics could be given. A table is subjoined showing the general condition of the colleges as relates to Christian work.

It is the profound desire of our hearts that Colby may prosper, and that the importance of the Christian work of the college may be magnified in the estimation of students and faculty alike.

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Colleges reported:—Arcadia, Amherst, Arkansas, Brown, Colby, Colgate, Dennison, Drake, Harvard, Kalamazoo, Maine State, Manitoba, University of New Brunswick, Michigan, Rochester, Richmond, Syracuse, Vassar, University of West Virginia, and Uremia, (of Uremia, Persia).

Syracuse and Vassar are interested in college settlement work. Syracuse has attempted, with some success, to do away with cheating in examinations. Vassar is also engaged in philanthropic work.

Harvard reports only about 250 Christians out of 2,000 who are in the Arts course. They are interested in philanthropic work.

Some of the smaller colleges do not present as encouraging reports as last year. Brethren pray.

D. W. KIMBALL, '94.

The meetings that closed last week mark an epoch in the history of Christian Associations at Colby. The last three years have been years of rapid progress and marked change for our American colleges, and perhaps there has been no more potent factor in bringing this about than the Christian Associations. They have developed that strong and earnest and Christlike manhood and womanhood that characterises college life of today. Ten years ago one student in five was a Christian, but now nearly four students in five are The majority of onr colleges Christians. have been visited by sweeping revivals, and last year nearly five thousand college men and women accepted Jesus Christ as We have longed the model of their lives. that our college might be visited as others have been and for some time our Association work has been directed almost exclusively to such an end. Colby had never seen a revival and yet it seemed impossible that the blessings so richly poured upon other colleges should be denied us, The past fortnight has decided the matter, and the revival that has reached many of our strengest and most influential men and women has placed Colby beside her sister colleges, and has broken down the old tradition, we hope, forever. We feel confident that God sent Mr. Gale to us at this critical period in our Association life. He is a man preeminently fitted to work among college students, and we can never forget the debt of love and gratitude we owe him. Mr. Gale's very powerful and simple talks attracted us, while his winsome, strong personality held us, as he himself often said "I must gain your confidence in myself in order to lead you to Christ," and he has done this for many of our number. Twenty of the students, men and women, have begun a Christian life in these two weeks. No one can tell what that means, even if their influence were only in the college, but these twenty are not the only ones in college that have been made better by these two weeks' life, There is not a Christian in college that has shared in the services, who is not a more Christian-like Christian, and who is not to be a greater power for Christ than before.

Having more Christians and better Christians in Colby than before, college

life here will be more wholesome, beautiful and powerful than before. The men and women who do not care for Christ, those who have just confessed themselves his followers, those who have long been Christians, all feel the helpful influences of this time. Each class will rouse the other to a better life, and we have the certainty that our president will help us all in this way.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

Tuesday evening, January 28th, Mr. Gale was at Ladies' Hall and spoke upon the "Ideal Womanhood." His words were simple and earnest and each one went from the room with a higher ideal of Christian life and a firmer resolution to live up to that ideal.

Again Monday evening February 3rd. Mr. Gale met the Y. W. C. A., and instead of speaking on any one subject, answered any questions that were troubling the women. Many a vexed question was settled by the wise, sincere words of this good man. At the opening of the meeting Misses Walker and Searles sang the beautiful song, "God is Love," and as the music rose and fell so sweetly, our hearts, overflowing with the many blessings God has showered upon us these past two weeks, echoed the refrain, and acknowleged that truly, "God is Love and his mercy endureth forever."

After much trouble the dates for the Y.W. O.A. deputation meeting have been settled for Friday and Saturday, February 28th and 29th. The sessions will be held in the college chapel Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday morning. Addresses will be given by President Butler and Miss Simms, one of the international secretaries. Delegates are expected from nearly all the fitting schools, as well as from the colleges of the State. All persons interested in Y. W. C. A. work are cordially invited to meet with us.

For a long time the college women have felt that in some way they ought to come closer in touch with the girls at the Institute. Next Tuesday evening the college women will receive the Senior and Junior classes at Ladies' Hall, in an informal manner.

For the past two weeks, owing to the special meetings, most of the Bible classes have been omitted.

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A PASTORAL.

One day I chanced to wander idly through the fields.

"Twas summer's height, and hot the hazy, cloudless sky.

The air about was filled with scent of apple sweet, And every vine and stone and tree that day looked fair;

But I walked on all careless 'midst this lovliness,

Walked on and like my steps my idle thoughts did roam;

Until, perchance, my roving eye did find close by, Turning toward the sun its graceful, yellow spray, A Golden Rod, symbol of sweet Summer's end, And melancholy bitter-sweet did fill my soul.

-W., IN BRUNONIAN,



Miss Ada Edgecombe has returned to college. She had been at home two weeks sick with bronchitis.

Miss Douglas, teacher of elocution at Hebron Academy, who came here to read for the G. A. R., stopped with Miss Chase '99. Miss Douglass delighted the young ladies at the Hall with some selections rendered in her pleasing way.

Miss Isley spent Sunday with her brother in Belfast.

Miss Croswell made a short visit to Augusta, Saturday, February 1st.

Miss Dascombe and Miss Searles spent Sunday at Miss Dascombe's home in Wilton.

Miss Lamb '97 spent Sunday at Livermore Falls, her home.

Miss Larrabee went to her home in Gardiner, February 5th, to stay until the next Monday.

Alice Nye '97 has gone to Wilton, to take a position as substitute in the Wilton Academy. She expects to return in two weeks.

F. M. Padelford '96 went to Portland last Saturday to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the State Y. M. C.A.

Herrick '98 took charge at the Dunn House last week during the absence of Dr. and Mrs. Dunn.

The Zerocolarian quartette, assisted by Getchell '96 and Pike '98, gave an entertainment at Clinton Monday evening, Feb. 10th, The programme consisted of selections by the quartette, violin and harmonica solos, humorous and dialect readings etc. The boys report a most enjoyable time.

Maling '99, King '98 and Drummond '98 spent Sunday in Portland.

C. B. Kimball '96 went to his home in North New Portland last week to make a short visit.

W. A. Harthorn '97, who has been out teaching, returned to the "Bricks" last week.

H. R. Browne '98, who was very ill last week, has gone home. Mr. Arthur A. Browne, his father, came and stayed with him a short time.

Levi P. Wyman '96 spent Sunday at the "Bricks." The occurrence is so rare that we wish to record it.

Miss Evelyn Whitman and Miss Sarah Matthews '96 went as delegates to the Kennebec County Y. P. S. C. E. Annual Convention at Gardiner.

H. T. Watkins '96 recently spent several days at his home in Roslindale, Mass.

H. C. Hanscom '96 returned February 5th from a week's trip to New York and Boston, on business connected with the Colby Oracle.

H. H. Chapman '97 spent Sunday, February 2nd with Dascomb '99 at his homo in Wilton.

Miss Searles '98 spent Sunday, February 2nd with Miss Dacsomb '97, at her home in Wilton.

R. B. Austin '98 visited his home in Farmington last week.

L. F. Adams '98 went home to Wilton for a short visit last week.

C. H. Whitman '97 spent Sunday in Bangor.

Alumni et Alumnae.

'53. Rev. Alfred Owen D. D., has relinquished the presidency of Roger Williams University at Nashville, Tenn., which he has held since 1887. He remains in the Faculty as professor of Moral Science. A recent number of the Rogerana says: "Dr. Owen accepted the Society's invitation to take the presidency at a very critical period in the history of the University, when great wisdom was required in the administration of its affairs. By his rare combination of educational experience, sound judgment, excellent tact, geniality and firmness, he fully met the demands of the situation and won the esteem of all. His presidency of eight years leaves the institution in excellent condition for his successor, while his continuance in another capacity gives it the benefit of his experience in the work, as well as the influenceof his noble Christian character."

'68. Rev. William O. Ayer is now pastor of the Warren Avenue Baptist Church, Brockton, Mass.

'68. Rev. George W. Davies has recently settled as pastor of the Baptist Church in Wales, Mass.

'77. Hon. Edwin F. Lyford, formerly of this city, but for some years a prominent lawyer in Springfield, Mass., has been appointed by Governor Greenhalge as associate judge of the district of which Springfield is the center. Judge Lyford was for several years a member of the legislature, and made a vigorous and successful fight against the Bay State Gas Co. He is admirably fitted for the new position. His friends are much pleased with the appointment, for it has come not through political wire-pulling but because of peculiar fitness and sterling integrity.— Waterville Evening Mail.

'79. Rev. Nathan Hunt, State Missionary, conducted the afternoon services at the dedication of the Greenwood Baptist chapel, January 24th.

'83. Rev. R. H. Baker is in the eighth year of his pastorate at the first Baptist Church, East New York.

'85. Rev. Dr. Asa Dalton gave an address at the Free Street Baptist Church, Portland, on the "Armenian Sufferings," Sunday evening, Feb. 2nd.

'86. John R. Wellington, M. D., is practising in Washington, D. C.

'91. E. E. Morse, principal of the Franklin High school, attended chapel recently.

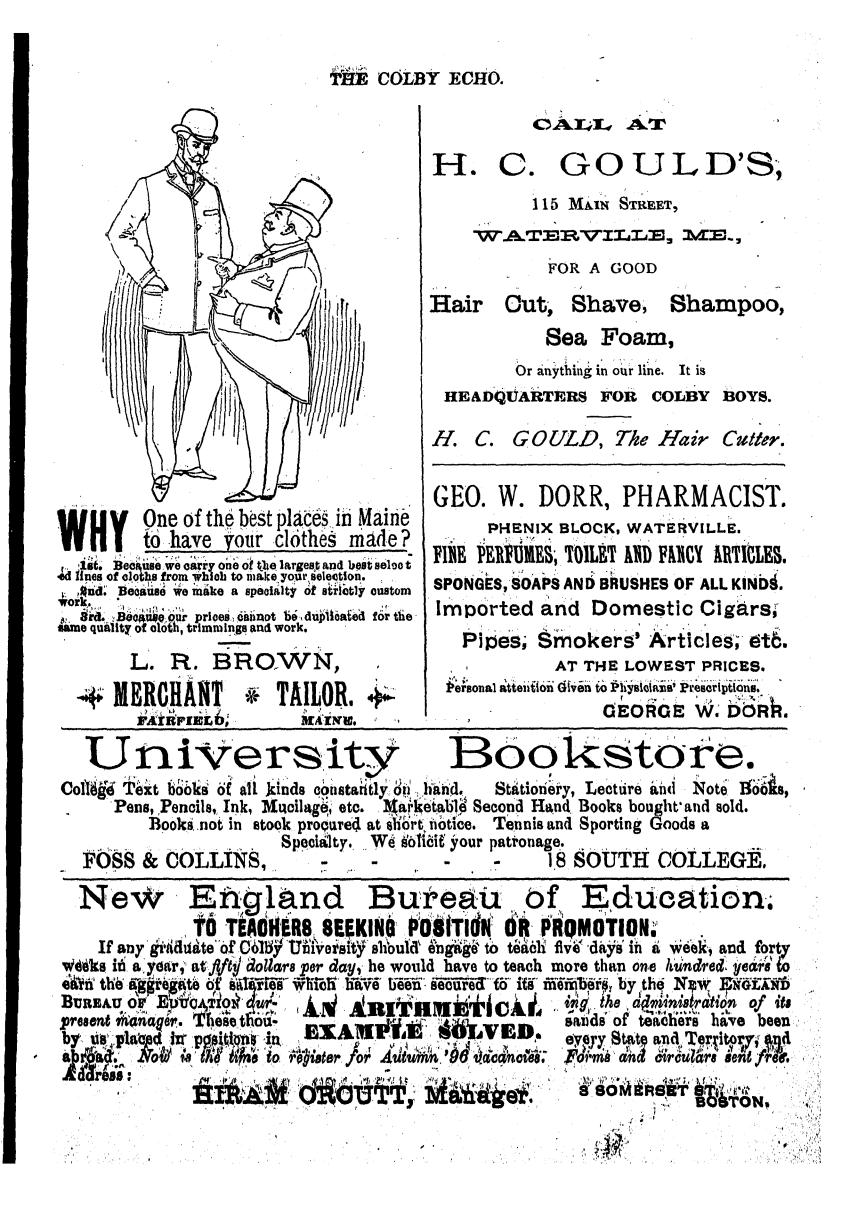
'92. A. G. Hurd a graduate of Pennsylvania Medical School is practising at Milbury, Mass.

'92. H. F. Kallock is taking a course at Bellevue Medical School, New York.

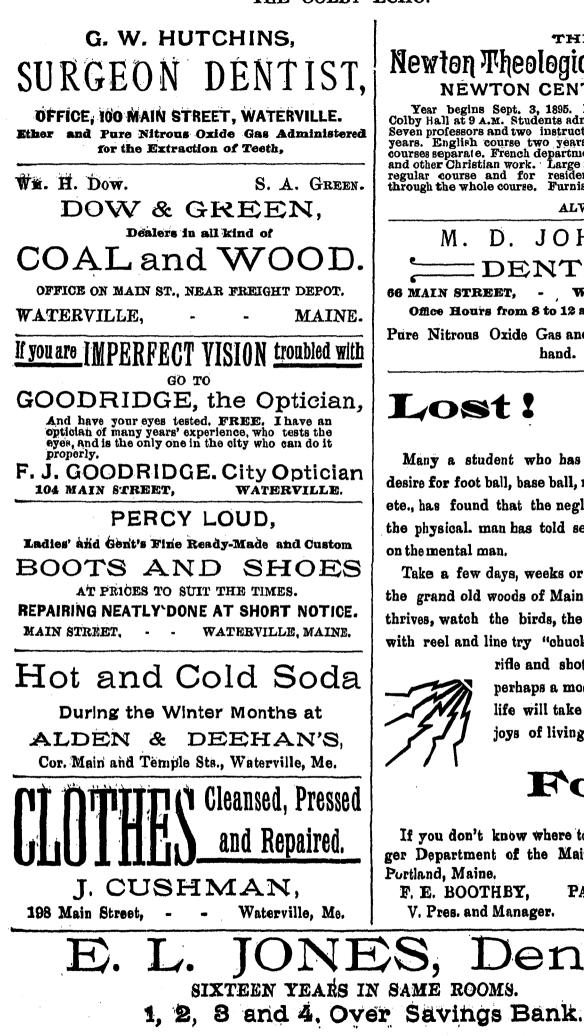
'95. Archer Jordan, who has been teaching at Vanceboro, was calling on friends at the "Bricks" this week. He has been obliged to close his school on account of searlet fever:



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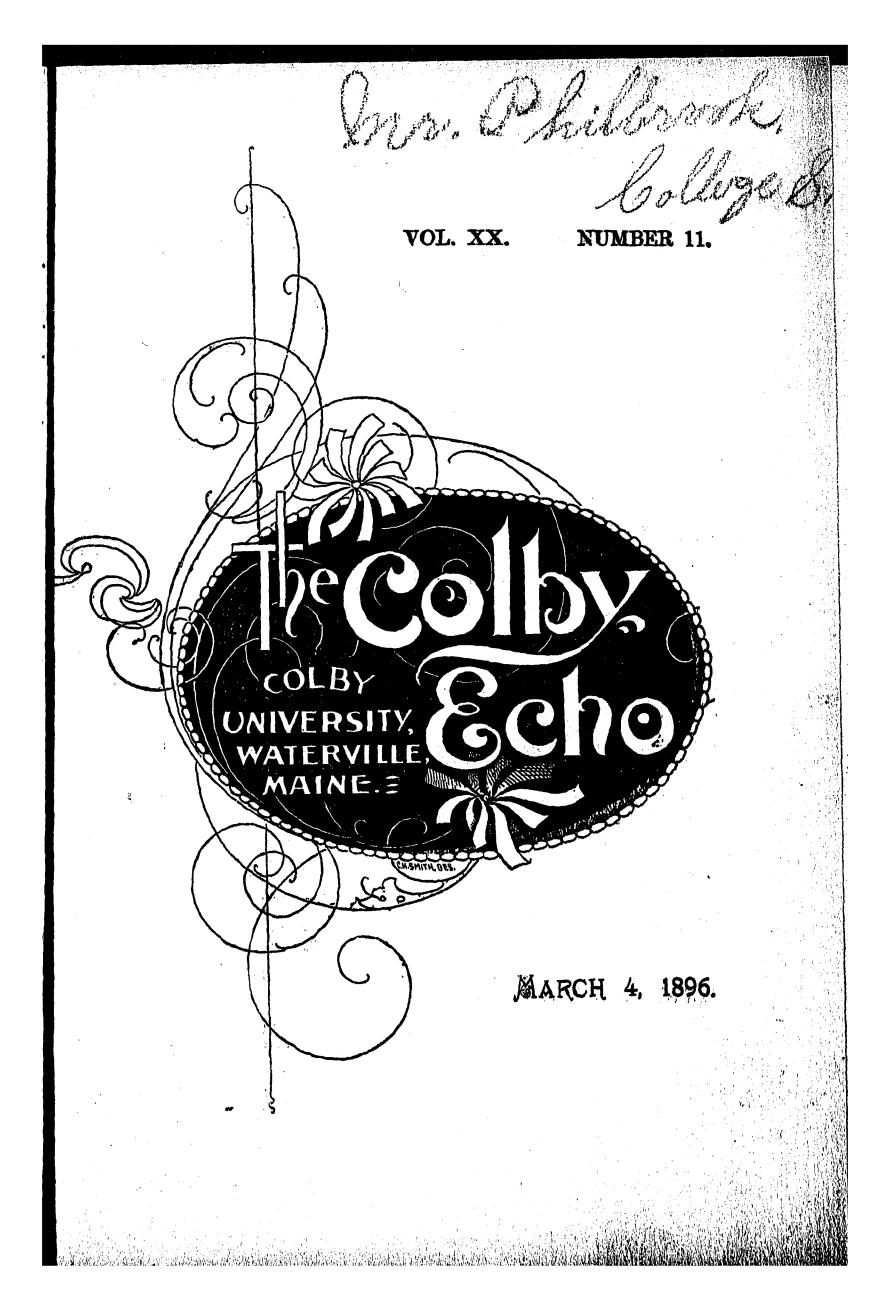
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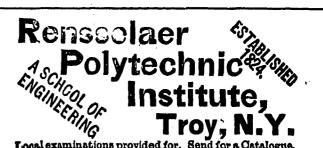
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