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"JE ME VENGERAI, JE LE JURE."

The young and beautiful Italian widow was not less admired at the hotel than her fairy-like child of three. Any pleasant day we could see the mother, exquisitely dressed and shaded by a gay white parasol, walking on the shore with her child and its nurse. Gay and thoughtless as the butterflies or white doves which circled around her as she passed through the garden, she seemed as much a child as the baby girl who frolicked at her side.

Each day was much the same to her until there came to the hotel a young Italian, as charming as herself. At first it was only a smile and nod between them when they met, such as guests of the same hotel are wont to give. But before long we could see that the white parasol shaded two in its excursions on the beach. The little child was left more to the care of its nurse and the widow's accustomed joyfulness was bestowed not on life in general now, but on one life in particular.

Oftentimes when we would enter some sequestered nook of the garden separated from the rest of the world by trellises of climbing roses pink with blossoms, we would find them there, talking softly in

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the low melodious language of Italy, or we would come across them on the beach sitting daintily on some overturned dory, watching the women mend the nets for their husbands.

Life was for our gay widow one long, joyous, never-ending dream. No thought of any reverse of her happiness occurred to her. But one morning we found our Signor's name gone from the hotel register which hung in the Grand Salle. Then our hearts were filled with pity for the Signora, who had become so deeply attached to him. She, who never had a pleasure marred—what would she do now?

Her white parasol was no longer seen brightly gleaming on the beach, and at *table d' hote* the Signora wore only sombre gowns. Her diamonds were laid away. Every one in the hotel had some pity for the attractive widow, who was a great favorite. For nearly a week things seemed no better for her.

Only the child seemed merry as before, dancing and flitting back and forth between her nurse and the great Bernard which was the pet of the garden.

One morning about a week after our Signor's name had been taken from the register, we read there a new name, Signor Talmone, Turin, Italy. And that evening at dinner, we all saw Signor Talmone—a tall, dark, fine-looking Italian.

The next day the white parasol was once more on the beach, and the widow at dinner resumed her former gaiety, and appeared in her brighter gowns. The programme of her days was again filled with delightful strolls and donkey-drives and sails, always in the companionship of Signor Talmone, who seemed to enjoy her company as much as she did his.

Almost a fortnight after Signor Talmone had arrived and they were so often seen to-

gether that people had ceased to speak of it, I was looking from my room window at sunset, out over the beach, gay with bright colored clothes hung out to dry. A solitary man was pacing back and forth over the pebbly beach, his figure clearly outlined against the broad Mediterranean, which seemed alive with changing colors—red and gold. On this sea of fire floated a golden boat, and I saw flashing there a white parasol.

I looked down and my eyes caught the words "*Je me vengerai, Je le jure*," (I will be avenged, I swear it) scratched in the hard plaster of the window sill; words which were written years ago by some hot-headed, jealous Italian lover when this quaint old hotel was the palace of Genoa's first Doge.

The sound of voices caused me to look up, and I saw my golden sea faded to the opal colors of twilight, and the golden boat to a dingy-colored dory. It had now reached the shore and the owner of the white parasol was being helped out on to the beach. The man whom I had seen a few moments before pacing the beach was there, and I saw the lady move as if to introduce him to Signor Talmone, but he quickly hurried her away, and they came towards the hotel leaving Signor Talmone standing in the twilight in gloomy surprise.

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The next morning when we came down stairs, there was a good deal of confusion in the Grand Salle, everywhere anxious waiters hurrying to get their parting tips. At the door was the hotel hack in which we saw our Signora and the stranger of the evening before. At last all was ready, and they whirled off through the dust.

At lunch I asked my talkative English neighbor who the stranger was. "He? He is the Signora's husband," she replied.

"And Signor Talmone?" "Poor fellow, haven't you heard that he was found this morning dead beneath the Balbi cliff?"

And the words of the lover of long ago are the words which men speak today.

A. H. P., '97.

THE HERO OF THE TIROL.

The Tirol, with its mighty, snow-capped mountains and low-lying valleys, is one of the most beautiful and picturesque regions of Europe. Few countries can compare with it in magnificence of scenery or variety of natural productions. But better far than all, Tirol can point with pride to the time when they were brave, when all other nations were cowardly; honest, when deceit was no shame; loyal to their country, when others bent the knee to the usurping powers of France.

Early one winter's morning in 1809, a band of soldiers might have been seen painfully toiling up the steep ascent of a certain mountain pass in the Tirol. The path was in many places blocked with snow, and the waning moon sent only a few feeble rays to light them onward towards their goal—a solitary hut in a hollow far up the mountain side. Surely the service was important that urged them onward in the face of so many difficulties. Perhaps the hut contained a band of armed desperadoes whom it was the soldiers' duty to capture, or else a company of insurgents determined to sell their lives dearly.

With the utmost caution and silence, the soldiers surrounded the hut and waited with levelled guns while the leader called on the inmates to surrender. No thunder of musketry, no shouts of defiance answered this command, but one man stepped quietly forth, followed by a woman and a young boy. This man, any of the soldiers would have told you, was "Andreas Hofer, ci-

devant, inn-keeper; now, rebel and fugitive from justice." The Tirolese peasants, however, would have called him "Andreas Hofer, the hero of the Tirol." Paint in your imagination a man tall and broad-shouldered, stooping slightly as if accustomed to bearing heavy loads; give him a good-natured, rather heavy face, almost buried in a huge black beard; clothe his figure in the garb of the Tirolese peasant and you have before you Andreas Hofer as he appeared that morning, nearly ninety years ago.

When all the nations of Europe were prostrate under Napoleon's power, this man dared lead an ill-armed body of peasants against the disciplined French and Bavarian troops.

The tale of a conflict such as this seems more suited to the chronicles of the days of lance and shield than to the matter-of-fact records of modern times. From beginning to end it was wholly a war of the commons, conducted with all the energy and at the same time with all the unthinking rashness of men accustomed to hardships, but not to discipline. Austria, the country to which the Tirolese owed allegiance and to which they looked for aid, had given them over to France almost without an effort in their behalf. The Tirolese did not humbly submit to their rights being thus set at naught. In the struggle which followed, fortune at first favored the Tirolese. Three times Hofer, with his men, beat back the enemy from the capitol.

The delight felt by other nations hostile to France, at this repulse, was great. Wordsworth voices the common feeling when he says:

"A few strong instincts and a few plain rules
Among the herdsmen of the Alps have wrought
More for mankind at this unhappy day,
Than all the pride of intellect and thought."

But this sentiment did not give the "herdsmen of the Alps" any aid in their attempt, and soon the hand of fortune was stretched out to the other side. The French poured in fresh forces and at every point the brave patriots were defeated. They were driven from hill to hill and from rock to rock and then, becoming scattered in their flight, were hunted down like wild beasts by the infuriated enemy. Hofer, bereft of all his followers, finally took refuge with his wife and son in the hut to which he was traced by his enemies.

After his capture, Hofer was taken to Mantua, and at the end of the week tried by court marshal. Though some wished to give him an acquittal on account of his bravery and humanity towards those who had fallen into his hands during battle, the stern decree came from Napoleon: "Let him be shot within twenty-four hours." So, on the following morning, the square at Mantua was crowded with thousands, eager to be present at the last moments of this noble patriot. Hofer showed not a trace of fear when he at last appeared, manacled, and guarded by a body of chosen men. Of him truly might it be said: "There was nothing in his life became him like the leaving of it."

The guard halted in an open space and formed three sides of a hollow square, with Hofer and his attendants in the middle. His fetters were knocked off and some one approached to blind his eyes. "No," he cried, indignantly, "Andreas Hofer has faced your arms too many times to fear you now." The crowd could not but admire his firmness in the face of death and when he joined with his confessor in devotion, there was a respectful silence. As he rose from his knees, a jeering hiss was heard, which was instantly silenced, however, by an angry murmur from the people.

The sun was just rising, and the calm beauty of the morning seemed a rebuke to the bloody purpose which had called them hither. When the firing party stepped forward, Hofer faced them calmly and himself gave the signal "Fire!"—twelve shots rang out and the "Hero of the Tirol" fell.

"Whatever farce the boastful hero plays,
Virtue alone has majesty in death,
And greater still the more the tyrant frowns."

L., '97.

TRIFOLIUM.

I saw mine enemy coming to seek me and I went out upon the highway to meet him. As he spoke, I took his hand and interrupted him, saying, "You have come to ask my forgiveness, I do forgive you freely," and my heart grew very warm. When I paused, he repeated what he had said with emphasis—"I have come to forgive you," and my heart grew cold again. We looked into each other's faces and knew that we were still enemies. Who shall say that it is more blessed to give than receive pardon?

In an unguarded moment a certain woman let fall a sentence like this: "My husband starves me and beats me. Look at that arm!"

"What a brute!" I exclaimed. "How dare you," she retorted, turning upon me fiercely. "Never darken my door again."

A country man said to me one day: "Nothing would induce me to live in the city. God made the country. See where He has moulded the mountains and smoothed the plains. Yonder, with His finger, He has traced out a river, and farther still He holds the sea in the hollow of His hand. Deliver me from brick walls

and stony streets. The city is man-made; there the people jostle one another, and the sin and perversity of the race are apparent at every street corner."

A city man, who heard him, answered in this wise: "I choose to be in the thick of life. Granted that the valleys and hills are fresh from the Creator's hand, yet He has wrought a certain other thing more wonderful still, even in His own image. Here, from sunrise to sunrise, there is always the echo of a human foot upon the pavement. On every passing face is written something that makes existence cease to be the mere sum of my own weal and woe. God speaks to you in the silence; to me in the voice of my brother."

V., '98.

Fraternity Notes.

PHI DELTA THETA CONVENTION.

Of all the pleasant experiences of one's college life, the most enjoyable and important is the attendance upon a National Convention of his fraternity. Such an one was the twenty-fourth biennial convention of Phi Delta Theta held with Pennsylvania chapter at Philadelphia during Thanksgiving week, 1896, when two hundred and fifty loyal Phis from all over the Union met in that quaint old Quaker town to exchange their vows of fealty.

The first event of the week was an "at home" given at the chapter house of our hosts. Here on Monday afternoon from four to six we met many of Philadelphia's fairest daughters and from this time on, business and pleasure crowded close upon each other. Again on Monday evening a party of jolly Phis assembled at the chapter house for an informal smoker. The time passed swiftly away with mirth and song, and at a late hour we departed to

make ready for the more important business of the morrow.

The convention was formally opened Tuesday morning in Odd Fellows' Temple with President Miller in the chair. After a prayer, the Vice-Provost of the University of Pennsylvania delivered the address of welcome and extended to us the freedom of the University. The response was made by Brother Miller, letters and telegrams of congratulation and regret were read and then came the real work of the convention. Much of the business transacted must of necessity remain private; but suffice it to say that the reports and the enthusiastic manner in which the delegates entered into the work showed a most prosperous state of affairs in the fraternity. Business sessions were held in the forenoon and afternoon of each day, with the exception of Thanksgiving, while the evenings were devoted to social pleasures.

On Tuesday evening the visitors again tested the hospitality of the Pennsylvania Zeta boys at a reception and dance given in Houston Hall where they were right royally entertained. At the Hotel Walton, on the next evening was served the convention banquet, interspersed with songs and cheers, among which the three Colby delegates endeavored to make their college yell not the least evident. After the feast, Toastmaster Miller opened the programme and Phi sentiment ran high until the banquet broke up late in the morning.

Many of the delegates took advantage of the Thursday recess and looked over the grounds and buildings of the University. Among the features which appeal most to a student are the new dormitories and Houston Hall. The dormitories are built on the cottage plan and for architectural beauty and conveniences for the occupants can not be surpassed. The

whole system when completed will have cost more than a million of dollars and will include a chapel and dining hall.

Houston Hall is a club house devoted to the use of the students, for the nominal fee of one dollar each year and is entirely controlled and governed by themselves. In all that goes to make a perfect club house Houston Hall is the equal of the best city clubs, for membership in which one must pay extravagant dues. It contains billiard and smoking rooms, rooms for reading and correspondence, bowling alleys, a swimming pool, rooms for the college papers, and a large auditorium, in short, everything that one expects to find in a well appointed club house. The cost of the hall was one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which was donated to the University by the parents of a graduate in memory of their son.

It was impossible for the delegates, in the limited time at their disposal, to visit all the places of interest about Philadelphia, but a few, such as Independence Hall and the mint, could not be passed by, and all took much interest in viewing the historic relics in these buildings.

After a theater party Thursday evening, we again began the work of the convention and the sessions continued until Saturday noon, when, with a rousing Phi yell, we closed the last meeting and, with a parting hand clasp, left the hall, each man a more loyal and enthusiastic Phi, having the best wishes for his new friends and a firm intention to attend the next National gathering of Phi Delta Theta.

H. M. BROWNE, '98.



DELTA KAPPA EPSILON CONVENTION.

The fiftieth annual convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity was held Nov. 12 and 13 with the Central Tennessee Alumni Association at Nashville. The Dekes had an opportunity to become acquainted with Southern people, and to enjoy their well-known hospitality and, for one, Colby's delegate can say that the friends of D. K. E. in Nashville did everything that they could do to make the delegates have a bang-up good time. The Gamma Chapter at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, and the townspeople, spared no pains to make the convention a success in every way.

Two business meetings were held on the twelfth, one in the forenoon and one in the afternoon. At noon the convention assembled upon the steps of the capitol building where a photograph of it was taken. In the evening a reception was given at the University Club House. The house was beautifully decorated with the Deke colors, flowers and ferns.

Amid profuse decorations, with the music of an orchestra falling softly on the ear, in the presence of some of the beauties for which the South is famous, Colby's delegate thought that Paradise might be something like it. The morning of the twelfth was occupied in transacting the final business of the convention. In the afternoon, four tally-hos of Dekes made the streets ring with college and fraternity yells. A ride through the principal streets of Nashville, across the Cumberland to East Nashville, to the University campus and to the grounds of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition, occupied about three hours. In the evening, at nine, came the banquet, at which Bro. Mitchell of Colby, '84, presided.

At the tables sat the Dekes of eighty

years and Dekes of twenty, the old ones as enthusiastic as the young. It was a fitting close to a most successful convention, and not until the last echoes of the Deke cheer died away in the dining room of the Duncan did we realize that the 50th convention was a thing of the past. Twenty-eight of the thirty-five Chapters were represented. Next year the convention meets at Chicago.

Christian Associations.

Y. M. C. A.

The Star Course of entertainments, under the auspices of the Waterville and Colby Associations, was opened Monday evening, Nov. 30, by the Unity Concert Company. The concert was in every way a grand success. The members of the company are all artists of a high degree, each so excellent that it would be unfair to speak in particular praise of any one, unless we should give the same attention to each of the others. Suffice it to say that every number was thoroughly enjoyed. The church was so well filled that many were obliged to find seats in the gallery. The next entertainment, occurring on Dec. 7, will be a lecture by Frank W. Smith on the subject, "In and Out of Andersonville." This lecture is highly recommended.

Y. W. C. A.

The missionary study class of last year has developed into a reading circle of much larger numbers. Once in two weeks the college women assemble in the parlor of Ladies' Hall on Sunday afternoon to listen to selections from missionary books and the latest news of the spread of the kingdom in foreign lands. Much inter-

est is manifested and it is hoped that the college women outside the halls will avail themselves of this opportunity. The hour is 1.30.

The Y. W. C. A. is sending at present two regular teachers and often two or three extra ones to the evening school held in the Women's Reading Rooms on Monday and Tuesday evenings, under the direction of Miss Dunbar and Miss Plasted. The services of teachers are always in demand and those who go feel as if they were doing effective work in helping the young women and girls who come to the school after a hard day's work, in order to get the education they so manifestly desire.

On Nov. 31 we had the privilege of a visit from Miss Effie K. Price, one of the International Y. W. C. A. Secretaries, with whom many of our members have become acquainted at Northfield. Miss Price addressed the association at 5.30 at Ladies' Hall. She pointed out the blessing and comfort that Christ is to those who accept Him as an intimate, personal friend, and brought to her hearers a fuller realization of His infinite love and tenderness. At seven she spoke at the Chapel on "Obedience." Miss Price is a very attractive woman and an earnest worker, and will retain a warm place in the hearts of all the women of Colby to whom her presence was a great inspiration.

TO THE HEATHEN.

1st—"Poor Tractman is going to the bad."

2d—"Good gracious! I thought he was one of the best moral men in the college!"

1st—"He is, but he is studying to be a foreign missionary."

W. O. S., '99.



The game with Bowdoin, on our campus, closed the most successful season of football Colby has ever known; a season of clean football victories with only one defeat. And now The Echo congratulates the eleven, its management and Colby on the result of the fall's work. At the opening of college, everything pointed to a successful season, and we have not been disappointed. The eleven has done grand work, and for the first time in the history of Maine intercollegiate football, the "blue and the gray" has been an exceedingly dangerous competitor for the championship. The result shows, too, what concerted, harmonious action on the part of the college and faculty can accomplish in the way of manly and honest intercollegiate sport. Colby has been steadily climbing the ladder of athletic prestige and soon we hope to stand on the top-most round. To do this, students and all must continue to sacrifice personal feelings and prejudices, and work for the honor of the college. A part of the commendation is due our coaches, especially Mr. Hopkins, the famous Brown captain, under whose efficient coaching the team showed marked improvement. Yet with all our success we regret that our relations with one of our sister colleges have not been of the pleasantest nature. Colby has endured defeat for a number of years, and she has learned how to accept defeat in a

gentlemanly manner, a lesson that might profitably be learned by certain other colleges. We are fortunate in having in the freshman class some very good football players. These men were attracted to Colby because here a student under moderate circumstances is afforded every possible means for gaining an education. Two of these students have been the cause of most cowardly attacks from a rival smarting under defeat at the hands of Colby. Any college that falsely charges another college with professionalism and the like in order to excuse a defeat is totally undeserving of any recognition by other colleges until it has shown through the paper which voices the sentiment of the college, that at least it can treat its rivals in a gentlemanly manner and refrain from stating, as facts, rumors which have not been authenticated. We are sorry that any college with which we are to meet year after year in athletic contests should descend to such a level. This is the only unsatisfactory thing about the football season, and although it is evident from the outset what feelings promoted the bitter attacks upon our integrity, yet The Echo in behalf of Colby University wishes to emphatically state that we never indulge in professionalism of any kind and that any man representing Colby does so only as a regular student and with the full consent of the faculty. No man of questionable standing ever has or ever will have a place on our athletic teams.

EVERY lover of Colby rejoices at the progressive steps that she is now taking under the vigorous administration of Pres. Butler. Advancement has been made in every department of energy and thought, and the end is not yet. The football season has been a great success. Besides

arousing the liveliest enthusiasm, the team played in a manner that delighted its supporters, and it is safe to say that in the coming years, Colby will be able to show a record in this popular sport of which she may be proud. The prospects for the baseball season are good, and we hope next spring to bring back to its old home the pennant, which in former years has so often floated over our beautiful campus. For all the physical contests before us, we are thoroughly preparing ourselves; but there is another contest, and an important one, of which we seem to have lost sight—the intercollegiate debate. Last year we were forcibly reminded that in the very important art of debate, we were woefully weak, and that, though in other branches we had reached forth to place our marks at the highest possible point, yet in this particular one, we had stooped to place it below the level of our possibilities. However, this defeat was our Bull Run, not our Waterloo. It did not dishearten us so much as it laid bare our weaknesses and aroused us to action. Since that time, considerable interest has been manifested in debate, several such contests having taken place. Prof. Roberts, also, now requires a certain amount of such work from his rhetoric class. Colby is adequately provided with so-called literary societies, but the rivalry is not sharp enough to arouse the supreme exertions of the contestants. Great efforts demand great stakes, and so it has been deemed advisable by the students and faculty to form in the college a general debating club, from whose members the representatives to the intercollegiate debate shall be chosen by one or several competitive debates. The honor of representing the college in such a contest would be sharply contested for by all, and a zest and healthy rivalry is sure to enter more and more into

the ordinary debates and render them of greater benefit both to the speaker and to his audience. A committee of the students have prepared a constitution and by-laws which will be presented to the student body in the near future. Let us do all that lies in our power to make this movement a success, as it means a great deal to the college and to each one of us, since the power to talk intelligently and persuasively is one of the essentials of success whatever our future work may be.

THE recent action taken by the Harvard Board of Overseers in raising the standard of requirements in English for admission to the University, is causing great interest in the college world. This step, in a measure, affects all the colleges in New England, inasmuch as it will induce them to raise their own standards in this department. A movement of this sort has been needed for a long time. The requirements for admission to college have been, heretofore, principally in the departments of Greek, Latin, Mathematics and the Sciences, while that of English has been relegated to an insignificant position. The rivalry between the leading fitting schools is along these very lines, and frequently those students who come from schools noted for their systematic and thorough courses in Greek and Latin, are deficient in their knowledge of the rules of grammar and of rhetoric, and in their acquaintance with English authors. Many of these schools have courses in English, but they are not open to the student preparing for college. This is a matter which concerns Colby and her four affiliated schools. Preparation in the languages and mathematics has always been of a high grade, but, as a rule, has occupied so much of the time allotted to fitting for college that the study

of English has been neglected. Colby's admirable courses in Rhetoric and English Literature are among the most-valuable in the curriculum, and the students who come here should be prepared to enter at once into a satisfactory enjoyment of them without being obliged to take time from a college course to go through the elementary work which belongs to the fitting schools. This could be done with little or no sacrifice of the other departments by a judicious and progressive course lasting through the four years. The study of English yearly acquires greater prominence in the curriculum of educational institutions, and we feel that Colby and her fitting schools should fall into line in this advance movement that has been inaugurated by Harvard.

WHEN will it cease? How long till the soothing oil of civilization shall have calmed forever the wrecking waves of the Sophomoric sea? Ah, that treacherous sea! An unwonted calmness had promised a voyage of unusual prosperity; all sails were set, and we were driving before a foaming breeze, when suddenly, without a warning, a squall struck us, tore our sails, and drove us back. To be sure, the sea is to be highly commended for the long calm, and doubly commended for the little counter breeze that helped to smooth the billows and get us under way again; but the lost progress can never be regained.

We understand how it is that no Sophomore class is willing to be the first to inaugurate peace, lest before peace is established as a custom, they might be charged with cowardice. But that very thing falls as a duty on some class, if the enlightened idea is ever to go into effect; and for a while '99 fulfilled the duty. Now let the good work go on, in spite of the interruption. And for next year, let 1900 remem-

ber how a Freshman feels, and see to it that *they* do not furnish "Sporting News" for the New England papers.

For some time the growing need of a new chemical building has been forcing itself upon the attention of the alumni of Colby. Coburn Hall answered very well when the classes were small, but its accommodations are far too limited and its equipment far too scanty to meet the needs of the large number of students who at the present time are desirous of taking up laboratory work. The present laboratory accommodates only fourteen and it has been customary to give the first choice to those who have attained the highest rank in the required lecture course, thus shutting out many who desire to pursue this advanced course in preparation for their life's work. The pressing need of new and better accommodations has at last appealed so strongly to Colby's Alumni that a building fund has been started, and \$4,000 have already been subscribed which would seem to insure the laying of the foundation at no distant date. While Pres. Butler was stopping at the Parker House in Boston recently, Rev. William Howe, D. D., a member of the class of 1833, now 91 years of age, came all the way from Cambridge through the rain to pay his pledge toward the new chemical building. With one exception, Dr. Howe is the oldest living alumnus, and it is certainly most fitting that the name of a man who has given such an example of loyalty and love for his alma mater should head the subscription list for a chemical laboratory which in all probability will adorn the campus during the college course of some of the present undergraduates.

Roberts Brothers of Boston have recently issued another volume of essays from the pen of our esteemed alumni, Dr. William Mathews of the class of '35. The volume is entitled "Nugae Literariae; or Brief Essays on Literary, Social and Other Themes." Dr. Mathews shows in this, as in all his works, a wide range of reading and experience and his great versatility of mind is revealed in his choice of subjects. "The Advantages of Debt," "Why Go to College?" "The Value of Iteration," "The Abuse of Newspapers," "Wisdom after the Event," "Going with the Grain." The New York Times says, "It would be a dull mind that could get no amusement from Mr. Mathews's pleasant pages, and it would be an eccentric mind that could glean no information from them."

WE have received a copy of "The Wreath," published by the students of Wilton Academy of which Drew T. Harthorne, Colby '94, is principal. It is certainly one of the best school papers in the State, and shows that a high standard of work is maintained at the academy.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, in His infinite wisdom, our Heavenly Father has seen fit to take away from this life the father of our dear classmate and friend, Agnes J. Powers, be it therefore,

Resolved: That we, the class of 1900, do hereby express our sincere sympathy for her in her bereavement; and be it also

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be published in the Colby Echo and be placed upon the records of the class; Furthermore be it

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family.

MARY G. PHILBROOK,
STELLA L. JONES,
MYRA J. PERRY.

Colby Verse.

DOWN BY THE SEA.

Breeze is swelling,
Softly telling
Tales from o'er the sea;
Waves are dancing,
Heart entrancing
With their melody.

Sea birds crying,
Homeward flying,
Skim the watery way;
"White Wings" fleeting,
Billows meeting,
Cleave the foaming spray.

Shades are falling,
Curfews calling,
In their mournful strain;
Idle fancies,
Like nymph-dances,
Float in dreamy train.

L. '98.

AN ODE TO MEDIOCRITY.

What is the good of being great, I'd really like to know,
For which some people all the time, appear to struggle so?
Now I can't see the slightest use in working like a horse,
Yet never half appreciated, while you live, of course,
And when you're dead, posterity with most unblushing gall,
Proves that your very choicest works you never wrote at all.
Poor Homer, critics tell us, never wrote those epics grand,
And Shakespeare's dramas were composed by Bacon's brain and hand.
We used to think Columbus sailed and found an unknown shore,
But now we learn the Norsemen came some hundred years before.
And so it is with great men all, in this and every age,
Who strive to get their names inscribed on Fame's immortal page.
For Fame, in writing these, employs a leaky fountain pen,
That manages to smear and blot, nine cases out of ten.

The genius toils in poverty, and then all his reward
 Is a little notoriety when he's beneath the sward.
 A life obscure but comfortable, I really think would be,
 Although it lacks enduring fame, quite good enough for me.
 For if while living I can get good butter on my bread,
 I'll do without the lasting fame that comes when I am dead.

W. O. STEVENS, '99.

Like beckoning star, his possible self,
 Shone down upon his youth.
 "Tomorrow," he said, "I'll forsake my sin,
 To seek 'and be' the Truth."
 But tomorrows were merged in the shaping years,
 And the vision neglected, grew dim;
 Till his possible self had become but one
 With the real that fettered him.

ALICE SAWTELLE RANDALL, '88.

One-fourth the students at the University of Berlin are Americans.

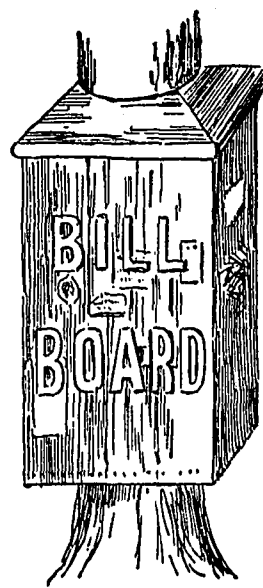
The natural history department of Maine State College has received the body of the first hooded seal known to have been seen upon the coast of Maine.

The chapel services at Cornell are so interesting that seats have to be reserved for the students on account of the large attendance.

She (snubbingly)—"You think you are perfection."

He—"Always, when I am near you."

—Ex.



One morning last week when the students filed into chapel they were surprised to see the old pulpit, which so mysteriously disappeared last spring, occupying its customary position on the platform. It seems that the pulpit was thrown into the Kennebec and floated down to the head of the falls, where it was taken out by a resident and stored in his barn. Sam, recently, heard of its whereabouts, with the result that it was restored to its proper place. *Requiescat in pace.*

Saturday evening, Dec. 6, Miss Edith B. Hanson and Miss Harriet F. Holmes very pleasantly entertained the senior delegation of D. K. E. with their friends at 14 Union street.

The gentlemen of '99 received the ladies of the class at the home of H. R. Spencer, Friday evening, Dec. 4. The house was tastefully decorated with white roses and violets to represent the class colors while palms and potted plants occupied every convenient niche. Prof. Osborne tended the door in his usual efficient manner. The guests were received by Henry R. Spencer, Henry A. Lamb, George A. Martin, Dr. and Mrs. Spencer. Miss Bessey and Miss Taylor presided at the punch bowl. A Waterville orchestra in one of the upper rooms dispersed sweet strains during the evening. There was a short musical programme by H. A. Lamb, H. R. Spencer, and C. E. G. Shannon. The souvenirs were poster cards artistically decorated by W. O. Stevens. It was one of the pleasant social events of the year.

At a recent conference, Rev. W. F. Berry addressed the students on Good Citizenship. Last Thursday evening, Dr. Butler concluded his talks on the College and University.

H. M. Gerry, '98, recently addressed the students of M. S. C. on the need of missionary work in the colleges. A missionary class was organized there. In the evening, he addressed the Old Town Y. M. C. A.

The Coburn-Hebron game attracted a large crowd, and aroused considerable interest among the boys, nearly every one of whom sided with one team or the other.

The annual Freshman reception occurred at the home of Miss Aimee Paula Gallert on Silver street, Friday evening. The house was very prettily decorated with ferns and cut flowers, the class colors, golden brown and lemon, predominating. The guests were presented to the reception committee which consisted of Misses Gallert, Hutchinson, Crie, Diver and Tirrell. The evening's programme began with a conversational promenade, followed by several problems involving the highest amount of brain work. Delicate refreshments were served. Colby songs were sung, the class yell was sprung and the reception was over. The gentlemen encountered some little difficulty in making their entrance to the house, but succeeded in downing the bloody Sophs and no one was carried off.

The Thanksgiving recess lasted from 12.30 Wednesday to 9.30 Monday.

A gift of music was recently made to Ladies' Hall by Miss Emily P. Meader.

Mr. X.—"What particular phase of the question shall I consider?"

Prof.—"Tell all you know about the subject, It won't take you long."

Saturday evening, Nov. 14, at Ladies' Hall the women of Colby and a few of their Waterville friends had the great pleasure of listening to a paper by Mr. Charles H. Pepper, '89, on the artist, Puvis de Chavannes, the designer and painter of the panels in the Boston Public Library. During the evening two piano solos were rendered by Miss Emily P. Meader, who has won no little note as a composer.

Friday, Nov. 27, the members of '98 who spent Thanksgiving in town were entertained at Ladies' Hall. The artistic talent of the class was strikingly shown in their illustrations of Mother Goose melodies, especially as, in some cases, the melody was actually guessed from its illustration. This is one of the many "brotherly and sisterly times" that '98 has had.

Thanksgiving day was very pleasantly passed at Ladies' Hall this year by the members of the Women's College who remained in town and their invited guests from the Men's College. Dinner was served at 2.30, after which all adjourned to the parlors where the time passed rapidly and happily in recreations appropriate to the season.

In the class in Phaedo the other day Prof. Stetson asked one of the women what was Socrates's idea of the condition of the earth in regard to the heavens. The young lady was somewhat confused, but after due consideration replied: "Condition contrary to fact."

The women of '97 have elected the following officers: President, Nina G. Vose; vice-president, Edith M. Larrabee; secretary, Annie L. Knight; treasurer, Edith B. Hanson; historian, Helen M. Hanscom; prophet, Alice L. Nye; poet, Harriet F. Holmes; address to undergraduates, Hat-

tie B. Vigue; statistician, Martha D. Tracy; executive committee, Edith B. Hanson, Tena P. McCallum, Myra S. Nelson; ode committee, Harriet F. Holmes, Mercy A. Brann, Annie H. Pepper.

Nov. 20, Miss Annie L. Knight entertained a number of members of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and their friends.

Harry S. Vose, '99, entertained the members of Alpha Tau Omega at his home on Western avenue Friday evening last.

PERSONAL

P. F. Williams, '97, spent last Sunday at Augusta.

J. L. Dyer, '98, has gone to his home at Charleston on account of sickness.

A. E. Doughty, 1900, who has been sick with typhoid fever is recovering.

C. L. Snow, '97, has been called to Boston by sickness in his brother's family.

V. A. Putnam, '99, was in Brunswick for a short stay recently.

E. K. Guild, '99, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with friends at Livermore Falls.

A. C. Robbins, '99, is teaching in Canaan.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Fred A. Roberts, Colby '97, of South Waterboro, and Miss Evelyn F. Small, of Limington.

A. M. Sanborn, 1900, has returned to college after his recent sickness.

Miss Myra S. Nelson, '97, has returned from teaching at Monson Academy.

Miss Dora Parker, formerly Colby '99 is spending her Thanksgiving recess in this city, the guest of Miss Benson.



The records of this year's Colby eleven and substitutes are as follows:

C. K. Brooks, '98, the captain of the team is prominently connected with Colby's football history, having done more than any other person to build up our football interests. This year was his third on the team and second as captain. During the three years, his position has been left guard. Before entering college, Brooks played one year at Hebron Academy, his fitting school. As captain of the team he puts lots of life into the team and keeps things moving. His playing is always sure, and he has the confidence of the entire team. "Brooksy" has the reputation of being the best guard in the State. Brooks also has been on the varsity ball team, and last year caught until an injury to his finger compelled him to retire. He is a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity, is 5 ft. 11 in height, is 22 years old, and weighs 225 lbs.

"Jack" Scannell, the other guard, is a member of the entering class and is one of the best football players in the State. For several years, before entering college, he has been most prominently connected with athletics at Phillips Exeter Academy, having been a member of their football team for four years and captain the last two, besides catching on the ball nine. Scannell at guard, although his position is tackle, was a strong and heady player, and few gains were made through his side of the line. His height is 5 ft. 11, age 23, and weight 180.

Otho Thompson, another 1900 man, was

the centre on the team, which position he played at Hebron where he fitted for college. Last year, he was by far the best man in the position of any of the interscholastic teams, and this year he has played a good game. His strong point has been his reliable work as a snap-back. Thompson is 6 ft. tall, 20 years old and weighs 178.

H. W. Chapman, '97, or "Chappie" as he is better known, is the steadiest player on the team. He has played on the eleven since entering college, and today there is no better tackle to be found among the Maine colleges than Chapman. He opens up holes and does splendid offensive work, and in defense, his work is brilliant, especially his breaking up of the opposing team's interference. Before entering college, "Chappie" played one year at Phillips Exeter, where he gained the reputation of being a very gritty player, which reputation he has much increased during his four years on the "Varsity." He graduates this year, and it will be very difficult to fill his place. He is a member of D. K. E. and quite prominent in college life. Chapman is 5 ft. 11 in height, 24 years of age and weighs 173.

Varney Putnam, class of '99, is the other tackle, and plays nearly as good a game as his mate. "Put" never played football till last year when he made the team as a Freshman. He plays a steady game and is very strong in running with the ball, this year, being one of the surest men to make the distance. He hardly ever failed to make his required gain, and very often tore through the opponent's line for ten and fifteen yards at a time. "Put" is a very hard worker in a game, and his immense strength is thrown into every play, "Put" being pretty near the bottom on every down. He is also a good baseball

player, having played second base on the Varsity last year and headed the batting list. His fraternity is D. K. E. Putnam is 5 ft. 11 in height, is 21 years old, and weighs 174.

F. P. H. Pike, '98, the left end for the latter part of the season, is a very strong player and tackles hard and low, usually preventing any gain around his end. By a slight physical trouble he was prevented from playing the first of the season. He was captain of second eleven in his Freshman year, and last year played end on the Varsity for the entire season. Next year, he will probably try for full-back, at which position he played a strong game for the Hyde Park High School before entering college. Pike is a very good kicker, at punting, goal kicking and drop kicking. He is one of the best all round athletes in college. Pike belongs to Delta Upsilon. His age is 22, height, 5 ft. 10, his weight 164.

R. C. Shannon, '99, is another end player, playing left end this year until an injury to the knee caused his retirement. Last year he played right end on the team, and this year was a substitute until his good work secured his playing in the first Bowdoin game. He is greatly handicapped by his light weight, but is a very plucky player. He played for two years on Hebron before entering college. He is a Deke. His height is 5 ft. 7, his age 22, and weight 130.

H. M. Lamb, '99, was the left end in the last games of the season, he not coming out until after the season had commenced. He improved greatly toward the last of the fall and is an entirely fearless player. Last year he was a substitute on the team, and before entering college played quarterback on Hebron. Lamb is the leader of the college glee club, and is quite promi-

nent in social life. He is a Zete. He is 20 years old, weighs 148 and is 5 ft. 7 in. in height.

W. G. Hooke, 1900, played quarter-back during the entire season and was sent to full-back in defensive work. He is an all around player, and has a good knowledge of the game. He passed the ball accurately, seldom making a fumble, and went into every play. Hooke is a good runner and dodger and often made a long run from the kick-off. He fitted at Foxcroft Academy where he played half-back on the football team, acting as captain for two years. Hooke is 20 years old, 5 ft. 9 in. in height, and weighs 146. He is a member of D. K. E.

Frank Alden, '98, is the left half-back on the team and is a very good man, both in carrying the ball and on defensive work. He has been on the team for two years and was only prevented from playing in his Freshman year by an injury early in the season. In all the games, Alden has been a sure man to advance the ball, and a good point about his playing is that he can always be depended upon to do his best. An unfortunate accident prevented his playing in the last Bowdoin game. Before coming to college, Alden played on and captained Waterville High School for a year. He is a member of Zeta Psi and is very prominent in college life, being secretary of the Athletic Association. He is 22 years old, weighs 145, and is 5 ft. 8 in height.

John Gibbons, 1900, the right half, is another excellent player and has been a great aid to the team. His principal point is the strong way in which he runs with the ball, having been the best ground gainer back of the line this year. His brilliant sprints around the end have been a feature of nearly all the games. Gibbons played

for two years on Exeter before coming here, and there he made an enviable record. Being a good baseball player, he will probably make the team next spring. He is a very sandy player, and no matter how much work he is called upon to do, is always willing. He is 19 years old, weighs 160 and is 5 ft. 7 in height.

Ernest Tupper, another Freshman to make the team, was the full-back and has been a plucky player, lacking, however, the experience needed to make a college full-back. He has done good work this year at bucking the line and has the making of a good player. Before entering college he was half-back for one year on Coburn Classical Institute team. Tupper is also a good baseball player. He belongs to Delta Upsilon. "Tup" is 19 years old, weighs 145 and is five ft. 9 in height.

Willard McFadden, '98, substitute half and full is one of the best men for substitute Colby ever had, being a very faithful worker. In his Freshman year he was full-back for part of the year, and last year was not a candidate for the team. He played on Waterville High and Friend's School before entering college. "Mac" is a Zete, and is one of the best known men in college. He is 20 years old, weighs 167 and is 5 ft. 7 3-4 in height.

Charles Shannon, '99, was substitute quarter and is a very plucky player. He played on Thornton Academy before coming to Colby, and was captain during his Senior year. Shannon holds the college championship in tennis and is one of the most popular boys in college. He is a Deke. His age is 21, his height 5 ft. 9, and he weighs 138.

Alden Doughty, 1900, substitute end is another Hebron player where he was tackle for one year. He is a strong player, but lacks the experience requisite for a

good end-rush. He will probably show up well later on. He is a member of Phi Delta Theta. His age is 21, his height 5 ft. 10 and his weight 185.

Joseph Eells of '99, was another substitute end, and played in a few of the games the first of the season. He is a member of Delta Upsilon, and is 20 years old, weighs 148 and is 5 ft. 10 in height.

Carl Cotton, 1900, is another substitute. He did not appear as a candidate for the team until quite late in the season. He played in one game and distinguished himself by one very long run. Cotton is a very fast sprinter, and much is expected of him this spring on the track. He is 18 years old, weighs 134 and is 5 ft. 8 in height.

The team's record for the year in games is as follows :

| | COLBY | OP'NTS |
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| Oct. 7. Colby vs. Mass. In. of Tech. at Boston, | 4 | 0 |
| Oct. 14. Colby vs. N. H. State College at Waterville, | 28 | 0 |
| Oct. 10. Colby vs. Maine State College at Orono, | 10 | 0 |
| Oct. 21. Colby vs. Bowdoin at Bowdoin, | 0 | 12 |
| Oct. 31. Colby vs. Maine State College at Waterville, | 4 | 0 |
| Nov. 5. Colby vs. Bates at Waterville, | 8 | 0 |
| Nov. 11. Colby vs. Bowdoin at Waterville, | 6 | 6 |
| Total | 60 | 18 |

Touchdowns: Gibbons, 4, Alden, 3, Tupper, 2, Putnam, 2, Chapman, Scannell, 1.

The tennis tournament was not finished owing to the weather and poor condition of the courts. The finals between Whitman, '97, and McFadden, '98, remained to be played off.

The annual long distance run took place Saturday afternoon, Nov. 21. The course covered was from Clinton to the campus and three times around the track. The race was run in a snow storm. Clement, '97, was first, time 69 min. 40 sec; Ely, '98,

second; time, 70 min. 20 sec; Hall, '99, third; 71 min. 15 sec. and Haynes, 1900, fourth; 72 min. 20 sec.

The executive committee of the Colby Athletic Association have posted the following slate to be voted upon at the annual meeting which occurs December 16: President, Frank Wentworth Alden, '98; secretary, Ernest H. Maling, '99; Junior member, Justin O. Wellman; Sophomore member, Dean J. Tolman; Freshman members, Percy E. Gallert and James H. Hudson; alumni members, J. Fred Hill, M. D., E. T. Wyman and Samuel A. Burleigh. The present faculty members are Dr. Bayley, Dr. Black, Prof. Stetson and Instructor Bates. Mr. Alden who is nominated for the presidency, was born in Waterville, June 8, 1874, and was educated in the public schools of that city, graduating from the Waterville High School in 1894. He took a prominent part in school athletics, and on entering Colby in the fall of '94, made end on the first eleven but dislocated his shoulder early in the season making it impossible for him to play. For the past two years he has been left half-back on the first eleven and played in nearly every game. He has been connected with the Athletic association ever since its organization as secretary, and is amply capable of filling the office for which he has been chosen.

At its meeting, the Executive Committee of the Athletic Association voted that a list of those entitled to wear a "C" should be published in the Echo. The following is a complete list :

Wellman, Hall E. E., Clement, Robinson, Stevens, Hanson, McFadden, Shannon C. E. G., Shannon R. C., Richardson R. H., Chase, Cotton, Brooks, Scannell, Thompson, Chapman, Putnam V. A., Hooke, Gibbons, Alden, Tupper, Pike, Lamb, Eells, Doughty, Putnam H. H., Desmond, Wilson.

Alumni et Alumnae.

'48. Rev. Joseph H. Seaver died in Salem, Mass., Sept. 9, at the age of 76 years. His pastorates were in Marshfield, Barnstable and other places in Mass. For the past 14 years he has resided in Salem.

'59. It will be sad news to many of his friends, to learn that Rev. Stephen C. Fletcher of Monson has suffered a paralytic shock. Mr. Fletcher is a graduate of Colby and has been one of the prominent preachers of the Baptist denomination for many years. It was Mr. Fletcher who brought Janitor Sam Osborne of Colby home to the North with him at the close of the war.

'80. Carl C. King, Esq., of Caribou, is a candidate for representative to the legislature, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judah D. Teague, who was elected to that office.

'80. Hugh R. Chaplin is Grand Master of the Grand Masonic Council of Maine.

'82. Rev. W. H. Robinson is pastor at Palermo, Butte Co., Cal.

'82. Samuel J. Nowell has been elected principal of the Waterville High School by the board of education. Mr. Nowell is a native of Springvale in this State. After his graduation he was travelling agent for an agricultural firm for two years and then established himself in business in Sanford, Me., where he remained for three years. In the fall of 1887 he was elected to the principalship of the high school in Rockport, Me., where he taught successfully for four years. From there he went to Oxford, Mass., where he has since been teaching.

'88. The Brookline, Mass., Chronicle prints a lengthy and flattering notice of

Mr. Emery B. Gibbs, who on November 3, was elected to represent Brookline in the legislature. In the course of the article the Chronicle says: "Ever since Mr. Gibbs cast his lot with us he has been a positive force and factor in the promotion of that healthy public sentiment which distinguishes our town above most towns, which keeps our old-fashioned town meeting a truly representative and trustworthy medium of government and which makes us one of the best governed communities in the world. This is testified to by the fact that Mr. Gibbs has been appointed for three successive years as one of the members of the committee of twenty charged with the duty of preparing the warrant for the annual town meeting. Active and efficient service on this committee had admirably qualified him to protect and promote the interests of Brookline in the legislature. It has given him perfect familiarity with the whole internal condition and requirements of the town. He knows our domestic economy, so to speak, from top to bottom. Some of his practical ideas have already been grafted into our system, for it will be remembered that Mr. Gibbs was the author of the by-law which created the engineer's department, and separated the public work of the town from all private work. Mr. Gibbs's keen perception saw that this reform must save the town many thousands of dollars. It was his earnest persistence which carried through the town meeting the proposition to extend the civil service law to Brookline."

'90. The Maine friends of M. A. Whitney, will be interested in the following paragraph from the October number of the Public School Journal, published in Bloomington, Ill.: "The Journal extends in behalf of the superintendents and teachers of the state to Supt. M. A. Whitney, for

several years in charge of the schools of Ypsilanti, Mich., a cordial welcome to Illinois as superintendent of the schools of Elgin. He has an enviable reputation in the state from which he comes. His address to the Elgin teachers is full of promise that Elgin is to become another center of progress in our state, which will be heard from in giving direction to the wonderful educational activity which distinguishes Illinois. As is the superintendent so are the schools of the city. The board promises to give him power and hold him to a strict accountability for results. This is the only way to conduct a system of schools. The cities of the country are coming rapidly to this conclusion, where the people elect their best citizens to the school board. Elgin is one of the most intelligent communities and will heartily support an able and progressive administration."

'90. Wm. L. Soule recently graduated from the B. U. School of Medicine and is now house physician at the Rhode Island Homeopathic Hospital.

'91. Rev. Chas. Stanley Pease is pastor of the Baptist church at Conway, Mass.

'92. C. H. Reynolds, who since his graduation has been in the employ of a loan and building association in Syracuse, N. Y., was in Waterville recently. This is Mr. Reynolds's first visit to Maine for two years and a half.

'93. On Nov. 18, at Skowhegan occurred the marriage of Dr. George Otis Smith and Miss Grace Maude Coburn, both of Colby '98. Dr. Smith is the son of Hon. J. O. Smith, ex-Secretary of State, and editor of the Somerset Reporter and in June last, received the degree of Ph. D. from Johns Hopkins University. Miss Coburn, the daughter of the late Samuel

Coburn and neice of ex-Governor Coburn, has recently returned from three years' travel in Europe and Egypt. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. V. Hanson, '65. The groomsmen were Mr. Fred M. Padelford, '96. Among the ushers were Mr. Drew T. Harthorne, '94, Mr. Harold L. Hanson, '99 while Miss Edith B. Hanson, '97 acted as bridesmaid.

'93. Rev. Joel B. Slocum has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Westbrook and began his pastorate there Sunday.

'94. Miss Frances H. Chutter is teaching in Dow Academy, Franconia, N. H.

'95. Miss Alice M. Bray has gone to Ashville, N. C., to spend the winter.

Moonbeams on the waters dancing,
Gleaming, darting, glittering, glancing,
Sleeps the world, no thought of waking,
Save the lap, lap,
Liquid lap, lap,
Of the wavelets softly breaking.

—Brunonian.

Arrows of light from sunset fires
Shoot o'er the evening sea,
Glancing ablaze from the sea gull's wing,
Silvering the foam where breakers ring
On the beach sand steadily.

Three bars of gold at the water's edge
Melt into brown and grey,
In the changing blue above the deep
The struggling stars to vision leap,
And end a summer day.

—Ex.

The bonds that bind me closest
To the maiden I adore,
Are the ones her father gathered
From his business at the store.

—Tiger.



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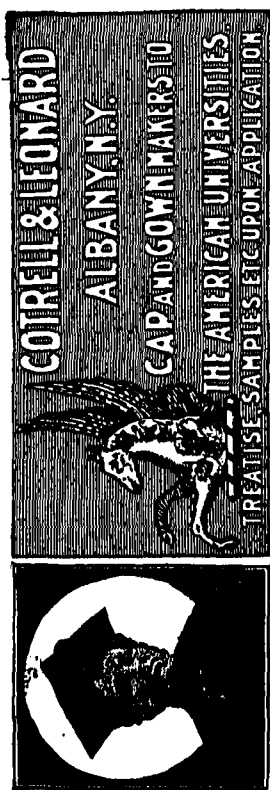
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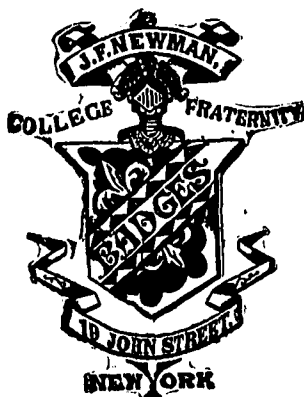
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