

# THE COLBY ECHO.

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## COMING EVENTS.

- Feb. 10. 7 P. M., Conference in the chapel addressed by Prof. F. E. Woodruff of Bowdoin College. Subject. The Bible in Education.
- Feb. 11. Junior Debate articles due.
- Feb. 11. Senior Promenade at Soper's Hall.
- Feb. 12. 4.30 P. M., February meeting of the executive committee of the Colby Athletic Association at Coburn Hall.
- Feb. 14. Meeting of Prudential Committee in President's office at 8 A. M.
- Feb. 14. 8 P. M., Concert by Colby Musical Talent, at City Hall.
- Feb. 15. 7-10 P. M., Reception at the President's House.
- Feb. 16. 8 P. M., Senior Exhibition with Junior parts at the Baptist church.
- Feb. 17. Meeting of Board of Trustees at Waterville.
- Feb. 18. The Treasurer will be in the library for collection of term bills.
- Feb. 18. 8 P. M., Y. W. C. A. Sociable at Baptist church.
- Feb. 21. Annual reunion and banquet of Boston Colby Alumni association.
- Feb. 22. Washington's Birthday. Women's Conference Board at Ladies' Hall at 6.45 P. M.
- Feb. 28. 7 P. M., Men's Conference Board at President's House.
- Feb. 25. 8 P. M., Lecture at City Hall, by W. M. R. French. Subject: "Wit and Wisdom of the Crayon."
- Mar. 4. 8 P. M., Intercollegiate Debate at City Hall.

## THE PRESIDENT.

- Mar. 31. Will address the students of Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., at the Commencement exercises.

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## 1900 RECEPTION.

### Sophomore Men Entertain Ladies Saturday Evening.

The men of the sophomore class scored a big hit Saturday evening at Soper's Hall on the occasion of their promenade reception to the sophomore ladies. The affair was one of the most enjoyable social events of the season so far. Nearly every member of the class was present and all pronounced it the very best time they have had in college.

The hall was very prettily decorated with the class colors of gold and brown and the platform where Hall's orchestra of six pieces discoursed the music, was transformed into a veritable bower. Palms were scattered about the hall and cosy *tete-a-tetes* in the corners were very inviting between the promenades.

The reception committee, consisting of Gilbert, Herrick, Towne and Hudson, stood under a lace canopy near the entrance and received the young ladies as they came in.

The promenades were named after each of the societies and were led by some member of the society. The first promenade was the Delta Kappa Upsilon led by Philbrick and Miss Gallert; the Zeta Psi followed led by Learned and Miss Pike. The third march was the Sigma Kappa where the ladies took the initiative. Miss Jones and Hudson leading. The Delta Epsilon was led by Cotton and Miss Holden and the Phi Delta Theta by Doughty and Miss Philbrook. The Beta Phi was also a ladies' choice Miss Pike and Doughty conducting. The last promenade was the Alpha Tau Omega directed by Scannell and Miss Magrath.

Refreshments were then served by Miss Marjorie Elder, Miss Marion Hall, Miss Gertrude Webber and Miss Marion Webber. Hagar was the caterer.

After the refreshments the remainder of the evening was passed with dancing and fancy marches. The representatives of the upper classes were the following: from the senior class, Nash and Miss J. C. Stephens; from the junior class, Robbins and Miss Buck. Dr. Marquardt was the faculty guest of the evening.

## Chemical Laboratory.

Probably one of the most recent and thoroughly up-to-date chemical laboratories is that recently built at Williams College. During his recent visit to that institution, Pres. Butler thoroughly inspected the building and brought back all the drawings and some photographs relating to it. Thus Colby will get the benefit of Williams' experience in building at moderate cost, a practical laboratory.

From an examination of the photographs, the tendency noticeable in the erection of this class of buildings is toward almost excessive plainness. This would seem to be good taste in buildings erected for purely scientific purposes, yet there would seem to be no reason why even if ornamental details are wanting, the lines and proportions of such a building should not be thoroughly artistic.

## Athletic Notice.

The February meeting of the executive committee of the Colby Athletic association will be held at Coburn Hall, Saturday at 4.30 P. M.

CHAS. F. TOWNE, Sec'y.

## Gen. Plaisted.

The New Age: Among his public addresses may be mentioned his oration at Waterville in 1867 at the laying of the corner stone of Memorial hall, Colby University; his address at the dedication of Memorial hall, Bowdoin College in 1881; his address of welcome to the war veterans of Maine at their reunion in Deering's Grove, Portland in 1882, and his Fort Sumpter address, 14th of April, '95—the 30th anniversary of "The Restoration of the Flag to Sumpter." The most finished of these was, perhaps, his Memorial oration at Waterville. It was highly commended; no less a critic than Senator Hoar of Massachusetts, remarking of it to Senator Frye: "If it were bound up into Webster's speeches it would not be deemed out of place." From it we make the following extract:

"If it had been possible for one man to atone for the sins of the nation, and, with his life alone pay the price that was paid by so many thousand what a really grand figure he would have made through all the ages? And yet, what though 300,000 died to save the nation? Each for himself, gave his all for us, even life itself and is as much entitled, therefore, to our homage—is as truly our savior, as if he 'had trod the wine-press alone.' Such, then, is the nature of the sacrifice our fallen brothers have made, that the merit of each is commensurate with that of the whole great brotherhood of our Nation's dead and our obligation to each can only be measured by what has been done for us by that great and all-sufficient sacrifice."

"What then shall we say of our dead in the war—what they have done for us? First of all they gave us the victory, as did the ammunition spent on the field of battle rather than that which was brought off. Upon what else indeed did victory depend, except upon the number found, and spared to fill soldiers' graves? A battalion that could die well, knew no defeat, no diminution of strength; for those who fell made good their places by the invincible spirit of valor, which their dying inspired in the living. Hence we said our dead died not, but continued to fight on with us in our battles to the end. Nor said we this merely as a figure of speech. There was a soldier of the 11th Maine—(Capt. Luther Lawrence)—mortally wounded and dying who, when told that he had but a few moments to live, made this reply: 'If it be true that after death we may go where we choose, I shall go to the front and rejoin my regiment!'"

"Think not this the language of levity or indifference in one on the brink of eternity; for his was the very soul of Christian patriotism and of such greatness that when he fell and his life blood was ebbing away, he rebuked his weeping comrades for lamenting his fall so particularly: 'It is no worse for me,' said he with emphasis, 'to die for my country than any other man!'"

"Such souls indeed died not, nor was their valor interred with their bones. It survived to the living as their proper inheritance and made of our little battalions in the field when reduced to only twice a hundred, very gods in war!"

"Say not, then, that our dead in the war were defeated, or that they were wasted, they were the real victors, and their sacrifice shall be to the nation a living inspiration from generation to generation."

## FIRST APPEARANCE.

### Ladies' Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club at Ladies' Hall.

The Women's Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club assisted by Miss Harriman '99, Miss Simmons 1901, and Miss Edith Williams 1901, made its first public appearance Friday evening, Feb. 4, at Ladies' Hall, before a large and enthusiastic audience of college girls and a few invited guests. The club was organized only last fall and is something of a new departure for the women of Colby. Such an organization has been long desired and it is needless to say that it is greatly appreciated. The selections were received with hearty applause. The program was as follows:

### PROGRAM.

1. Dreams of Darkie Land, Club.
2. Heroic March, Club.
3. Reading, The Day of Judgment, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps Ward. Miss Harriman.
4. Fortuna Waltz, Club.
5. Violin Solo, Goodnight, Farewell Kucken Miss Edith Williams.
6. Sounds from the Cotton Field, Trio, Misses Pepper, Bessey and Purinton.
7. Recitation, The Bobolink, Selected. Miss Simmons.
8. Song, Swanee River, Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar accompaniment. Club.
9. Niagara Rapids Galop, Club.
10. Song, Goodnight Ladies, Club.

## Prof. Warren's Art Course.

Prof. Warren's Art Course, already mentioned in these columns, continues this term and increases in interest and value every week. One of the most attractive and instructive of the lectures was that on the Parthenon and its friezes, in which Prof. Warren in his happy manner reproduced this gem of art and interpreted the beautiful bas-reliefs in the light of modern research, giving the Homeric hymn which is their inspiration. The course on architecture has been supplemented by one on sculpture. The beginnings and development of the art have been traced through its nine periods from the Archaic to the Renaissance and Modern. In addition to the many exceptionally fine photographs, selected personally by Prof. Warren in Europe, the art collection in Memorial Hall contains numerous examples of the various periods. It is a satisfaction to the seniors to have a more intelligent appreciation of such familiar figures as the Hermes of Praxiteles, the Jupiter of Otticoli and the many others with which they have had perforce a more or less intimate acquaintance for almost four years. The course in painting which begins next week promises much and all who can will doubtless avail themselves of this opportunity.

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Owing to the mid-winter meeting of the Board of Trustees which will be held in Waterville next Thursday, THE ECHO will be issued on Friday and will contain a full account of the meeting.

## OUR OPINION.

The epidemic that has lately broken out, among the under-classmen especially, is one of those regularly recurring evils that we regret and deplore. The symptoms are an insane desire to write poetry, class yells and fraternity symbols upon the college walls, and a craving which can only be satisfied by mutilating the hymn books in chapel or the settees and chairs in the class-room. Those who are smitten by the disease are ordinarily youths who have not yet developed much common sense, and whose childish love of publicity and display has not yet been superseded by a more manly dignity and reserve. That old time-worn couplet

"Fools' names like fools' faces  
Are often seen in public places."

contains a homely truth, and aims a pointed thrust at those who allow themselves to be thus belittled. Aside from the injury done to the appearance of college property, this childish and degrading habit, for we are inclined to think it becomes a habit with those who practice it, is utterly beneath the dignity of college students. If we are ever going to be men, let us begin now, and that means to be careful in small particulars as well as the greater. Let no man who respects himself lend any countenance to this nefarious custom. Let us break it up and cast it from us!

## THE NEW PORCHES.

The porches which have been put in place over the several entrances to North and South colleges are an improvement which has been needed for a long time. The drippings from the eaves have always rendered the steps exceedingly dangerous in the winter time, and it is really rather remarkable that no seri-

ous accident has not yet occurred. These porches with their spreading roofs will effectually do away with all such danger as has arisen in the past from icy stairs, and we welcome their advent as a very useful and much desired improvement. The next step in improving the "Bricks" will be to introduce electricity into all the rooms and halls. With better lights and improved sanitary conditions the dormitories will really begin to be quite habitable.

## College Expenses.

The new book on The American College in American life, by President Thwing of Western Reserve University, Ohio, contains much that will interest the ordinary observer of college life. It discusses thoroughly one question of unusual importance, that of the steady increase of expenditures in the Eastern Colleges until it has become difficult for families of small incomes to give their children a college education. Defenders of the present order have from time to time put forward figures indicating that the general impression is wrong, and have undoubtedly proved that exceptionally bright boys, by tutoring the dull and the lazy, can finish their curriculum as cheaply as a generation ago.

As regards the ordinary student, however, President Thwing shows that the general impression is correct, and that the families of small farmers and tradesmen, which used to furnish the bulk of the students in New England colleges, can no longer, as a rule, afford the luxury of a college education for their children. At Harvard, says President Thwing, the average annual expenses of a student from 1825 to 1830 were \$176, of which half went for tuition and half for board and room. In the sixties, when prices were suddenly increased, the average "jumped from \$263 to \$437, two-thirds of which went for board and room." Since that period there has been a great fall in prices, but college expenses instead of falling have risen. The last year for which President Thwing gives exact figures is 1881-82, when "the average expense to an economical student ranged from \$484 to \$807." "At Yale," continues President Thwing, the increase of expenses has been nearly in the same ratio, the average for the first year of the third decade being \$175, and the average for 1893 being \$687.50." Just what President Thwing means by "the first year in the third decade" may perhaps make a popular conundrum, but whether he means 1830, as the context seems to indicate, or 1821 as his position at the head of a university would seem to show it is equally sure that college expenses in New England have been increasing out of all proportion to the incomes of even well-to-do families in the small towns and rural districts. The catalogues and reports of Amherst, Dartmouth and other colleges bring out the same general development, and the problem presents itself, how shall the great endowments, given as a rule, to help the children of the relatively poor be kept from becoming charities for the benefit of the relatively rich?

President Thwing offers a novel answer to this question. It is that tuition fees for the well-to-do shall be practically trebled, so as to cover the entire cost of the educational facilities furnished, and proceeds be devoted to furnishing free education to the children of the poor. Undoubtedly this scheme would in some measure conform to popular sentiment so far as it affects either the extremely rich or the extremely poor. But as the great mass of college students belong to neither of these classes and as families of moderate incomes would find equally impossible to

pay \$300 tuition fees, and to plead poverty for the sake of escaping them. President Thwing's plan must be rejected by every one who is unwilling to see the ranks of college students diminish or divided into patricians and paupers. If the purpose of those who have given the great endowments and the general spirit of America demand that the opportunity of a college education shall be given to boys of relatively poor families, the end must be obtained either by restoring for all students the old New England system of low fees, or by establishing for all the new Western system of free education from the kindergarten to the university. Already it may be said the Western system is established in President Thwing's own commonwealth of Ohio, where the State University has abolished all tuition fees, and most of the denominational colleges demand fees even lower than were customary in New England half a century ago. Partly by reason of the cheapness of a college education in Ohio that State now sends more students to college than all New England.

## Ashamed of Their Calling.

Some of the New England newspapers are authority for the statement that the directors of the agricultural colleges in that section are endeavoring to put aside the agricultural courses of study in those institutions, and that they are turning out more professional men than farmers. The Agricultural College of Maine has had its name changed to the University of Maine, and is about to add a law department to its equipment.

There is no justification for such a course. We see today the contempt, it might almost be said, in which pursuits that involve manual labor are held, and how young men rush to and overcrowd the learned professions, while young women think it beneath them to engage in household work. This weakness appears also to have struck New England, and it is something to be regretted. It will be a bad day for the world when agricultural and mechanical pursuits are looked down upon. And now, especially when more intelligent methods are being brought into use in agriculture, and when chemistry is playing such an important part in the treatment of the soil, and may be said to be making two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, every effort should be made to dignify farming and to impress upon young men what a factor it is in the development of the country. "When Adam delved and Eve span, where was then the gentleman?" The tillers of the soil have always been looked up to as the pride of a country, and for a man to be ashamed of being such is to violate the true spirit of democracy.

Besides this, those aristocratically-inclined persons in Maine should not forget that it is by the favor and the help of the general government that it has been possible to establish agricultural colleges in so many parts of the country. —Philadelphia Inquirer.

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President Schurman of Cornell University announces that a department of locomotive and railway machinery has been added to the curriculum.

Capt. O. M. Carter of the engineer corps, now on trial by court martial at Savannah, for assisting his father-in-law and other contractors, it is alleged, in robbing the government of \$3,000,000, has the best record of any man who ever graduated at the United States Military Academy, his marks for the course of four years including behavior and scholarship reaching 989.2 out of a possible 1000.

Yale and Harvard now contest in a great many events. They have an annual debate, which Harvard used to win but which has gone to Yale's credit since she gave her attention to the matter in earnest; the annual boat race and football game between the two universities excite almost as much interest as a presidential election; and there are besides contests in baseball, general athletics, rifle and shotgun competition, lacrosse, chess; and somewhat more recently whist has been added to the list. This category takes no account of certain other games employing the same implements as whist that frequently engage the attention of the students when they meet on festive occasions.

## The Newton Theological Institution.

The Knowles Rhetorical Society connected with the Institution held a public meeting in the new and beautiful chapel. Wednesday evening, January 26. Though the weather was very unfavorable, the chapel was full. Prayer was offered by President Hovey. The exercises, outlined in the following programme were very interesting, the parts all well executed. In the absence of Mrs. Donovan, Mrs. G. E. Lombard, wife of one of the students, sang, giving full satisfaction. The debate was perhaps the central attraction, and general expectation was realized. All the speakers acquitted themselves with honor. The decision of the judge, rendered, as he said, not on the merits of the resolution, not on the relative excellence of the speaking, but on the argumentation, the consideration presented by the affirmative and the answers by the negative were in favor of the affirmative though it was acknowledged that sometimes the beam tipped one way and sometimes the other. The spirit and quality of the whole entertainment were excellent.

### PROGRAMME.

Vocal Duet, W. F. Spidell, B. F. Livingston.  
Debate, "Resolved, that the modern tendencies of higher criticism are detrimental to Christian faith."  
Affirmative, J. H. Woodsome, A. W. Lorimer.  
Negative, M. A. Levy, C. D. Gray.  
Vocal Solo, Mr. Livingstone.  
Reading, "Laddie," Prof. G. M. Robinson.  
Vocal Solo, Mrs. W. N. Donovan.  
Judge's Decision of Debate, Rev. Geo. Bullen, D. D.  
Vocal Duet, Messrs. Spidell and Livingston.  
Social Hour.

On Thursday, Jan. 27, the usual work of the school gave place to services appropriate to Prayer-day for Colleges, schools of all grades being formally and heartily recognized. President Hovey presided. In the forenoon special attention was given to reports from a large number of colleges and universities; to prayers on behalf of the young men and women connected with these schools, and to a free conference of professors and students upon the reports. In the afternoon a very able sermon was preached by Rev. Thomas S. Barbour, D. D., of Brookline, Mass., on "Christ's Inheritance in the Saints," based on Ephesians 1:18-20. Every one present must have felt stimulated to more earnest endeavors after higher spiritual attainments.

### The Daily Echo Next.

The Echo, the bright and well conducted newspaper of Colby University, is now to be issued as a weekly, and the subscription price is \$1.50 per year. Every Colby man should take it, and thus help to sustain the enterprise, as well as have all college news fresh each week. The Echo is one of the best college papers in the country, and is better than ever under the present management. Mr. Bertram C. Richardson is managing editor; Miss Edna H. Stephens, literary editor; and Mr. T. Raymond Pierce, of this city, edits the news department, and makes it thoroughly up to date. The Echo was started twenty-one years ago as a monthly, became a bi-weekly about ten years ago, and is now a weekly; the Daily Echo is among the possibilities of the near future.—Rockland Opinion.

### GRADUATE NOTES.

'81. Clarence L. Judkins is principal of the High school in Oxford, Mass.  
'88. A. B. Lorimer is pastor of the Baptist church in Woonsocket, R. I.  
'91. William A. Smith is sub-master of the Waterville High School.  
'95. Ralph K. Bearce is sub-master of the Rockland High School.  
'97. Miss Annie Lee Knight is assistant in the Merrimac High School.

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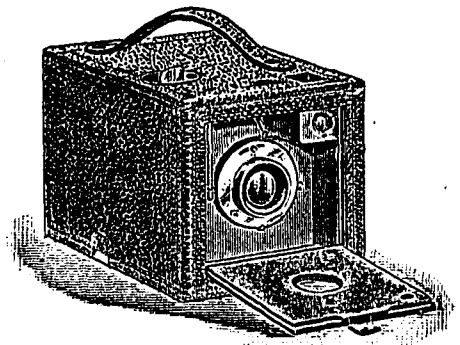
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## OF INTEREST.

Remember the Japanese Sociable, Feb. 18!

Chase, '99, visited relatives in Augusta over Sunday.

Woodman '98 and Martin '99 visited in Winthrop over Sunday.

Wetherell, '01, passed the Sabbath at his home in Oakland.

Miss Louise H. Cass of Skowhegan, visited Miss Jones Friday.

Miss Harlowe 1900, has finished her school and returned to College.

McFadden, '98, and Miss Ward, '99, spent Sunday at their homes in Augusta.

Corson, '98, attended the February term of probate court at Skowhegan, Tuesday.

"And his name was Dennis,"—Extract from Dr. Black's lecture on French Revolution.

The treasurer of the college will be in the library Friday, Feb. 18, for the collection of term bills.

The Boston alumni association will hold their annual reunion and banquet, Monday evening, Feb. 21.

Pres. Butler returned Tuesday from Williams College where he preached before the students Sunday.

The Sophomores have elected Sanborn leader of the class squad and Tupper captain of the class athletic team.

The monthly meeting of the presidential committee will be held in the president's office next Monday morning at 8 o'clock.

Dascombe, '99, has been elected scorer of the baseball team and manager of the baseball team and manager of the Junior league.

The President's reception which was postponed from the first Tuesday will be held next Tuesday evening from 7 to 10 o'clock.

The President has under consideration an invitation to deliver the address at the celebration of Founders' Day at Colgate University in April.

Agnes J. Powers, of Norridgewock, was in the city the last of the week to attend the sophomore reception. Miss Powers was formerly a member of 1900.

The bi-weekly conference this evening will be addressed by Prof. F. E. Woodruff, professor of Greek in Bowdoin College, who will speak upon The Bible in Education.

The College Athlete for February containing among articles on the leading football teams of the country, a half tone and write up of the Colby eleven, has arrived and may be obtained of Pierce '98 at ten cents per copy.

The junior debate articles are due tomorrow. The question is, Resolved, That the times demand the shortening of the undergraduates college course from four years to three. The articles will not be longer than 1500 words. The preliminary speaking will take place at an early date.

The date of the Senior exhibition has been changed to Wednesday evening, Feb. 16, owing to the Senior promenade having previously been appointed for Friday evening, the 11th. It is not often the societies are asked to give up their meetings for a college event but occasionally such demands are necessary for the common good.

There is being built at the Iowa Agricultural College at Ames, a bell tower to contain a chime of 11 bells. It is in memory of Margaret McDonald Stanton, wife of the professor of political economy at the college, in appreciation of Mrs. Stanton's services as an educator and as a founder of the college. The bells are to be the gift of Prof. Stanton; the tower is given by the State.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

Under this head we invite communications from members of the student body and alumni but will not be responsible for the sentiments expressed. Address all matter for this column to the News Editor.

La Crosse, Wis., Feb. 1, '98.

T. RAYMOND PIERCE:—

My dear sir, I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of THE COLBY ECHO of Jan. 20th.

In the news column is a statement that the class of 1853 will hold its 45th anniversary this year. It is also stated that there are at this date only seven surviving members of a class of 14. I wish to inform you that there are 4 living members of the class of '53 besides those mentioned in the article referred to. These are William Henry Davis of Worcester, Mass., a son of ex-Governor Davis, a prominent business man, a man of wealth and literary leisure.

Jno. Atkinson Eowell, a clergyman, a man of high character and ability, who may be addressed at present at Wells Branch, Me.

Henry Miller Pierce, known for several years after graduating as an efficient and successful educator and in later years engaged in business pursuits in Michigan and Tennessee. I presume that he can be addressed at present at Nashville, Tenn.

Joshua Woodman Weston, employed successfully in educational work nearly twenty years after graduating; in later years engaged as a banker and real estate dealer, in a successful business career, is at present living in La Crosse, Wis.

I take the liberty to give you these facts for I realize that the public should know all the facts in relation to a case like the one under consideration. My object is to correct the impression conveyed by your paper.

A telegram received yesterday informs me that ex-Gov. Plaisted has just passed away leaving ten living members of the class of 14 in 1853.

Truly yours,

JOSHUA WOODMAN WESTON.

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'00. Miss Ethel M. Pratt has a pleasant position as first assistant in the Winthrop High School.

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