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THE CALENDAR.

- Apr. 23. Colby vs. Kent's Hill.
Apr. 28. Colby vs. Skowhegan, Fast Day.
Apr. 30. 8 P. M., Baptist Church, Junior Debate.
May 7. Colby vs. Lewiston Volunteers at Waterville.
May 11. Colby vs. Bowdoin at Brunswick.
May 12. Colby vs. Brown at Providence.
May 13. Colby vs. Tufts at College Hill.
May 13. 8 P. M., Baptist Church, Sophomore Debate.
May 20. 8 P. M., Baptist Church, Freshman Reading.
May 21. Colby vs. Bowdoin at Waterville.
May 25. Colby vs. Bates at Lewiston.
May 28. Colby vs. U. of M. at Waterville.
May 31. Colby vs. Tufts at Waterville.
June 3. 8 P. M., Baptist Church, Sophomore Declamation.
June 4. Colby vs. Bates at Waterville.
June 8. Colby vs. U. of M. at Orono.
June 10. Colby vs. Newtowne Athletic association at Waterville.

THE PRESIDENT

- Will be Absent from the College:
Apr. 28. To deliver the Fast Day sermon at Skowhegan.
May 4. To lecture at Wilton Academy.
May 15. To deliver the Baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class at Litchfield Academy.
May 20. To attend the Maine Ministers' Institute at Lewiston.
May 29. To deliver the Baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class at Acadia College, Wolfville, N. B.
June 1. To deliver an address before the graduating class of Acadia College.
June 7. To read a paper before the Society for Missionary Inquiry of the Newton Theological Seminary.

Prof. Gordon F. Hull.

The University of Chicago Weekly: As the Head Professor of Broomology was watering the palms last Friday, a representative of the Weekly passed by and accosted him:

"Good morning, Robert. How are you today?"

"Kind o' *pro rata*," answered Robert. "How does your orthography capitulate with yo' syntax, suh?"

"First rate," said the reporter. "By the way, what did you make of the light in the sky last night?"

"Wha-wha'd you say, suh? I di'n see no light," was the answer.

"Some one said there was a light something like a rainbow, and I thought you may have seen it or heard of it."

"Tha-that's so; I did. Ye-you know Mr. Hull, what knows so much 'bout astromatical reservations? Well, he done got right exolited dis mawnin', him an a man. He tol' him 'bout sumpin' queeah he saw last night—roarin' pollin-aris, he called it. I doan' believe it, though. I'll wait till I see notified by Professah Machelson."

Gordon Hull, who, besides the virtues ascribed to him elsewhere in these columns, has the reputation of being a darn nice fellow, goes to Colby (?) University, in Waterville, Maine, March 31, to take charge of the department of physics,

GERMAN UNIVERSITIES.

Interesting Address by Dr. Marquardt before Students' Conference.

The Students' Conference on April seventh was addressed by Dr. Anton Marquardt who spoke upon German Universities. A brief abstract of his very interesting address is given here.

The German Universities are universal schools which instruct in all branches of learning, similar to Johns Hopkins and the University of Chicago. Each university has four complete faculties, a faculty of theology, of law, of medicine and of philosophy respectively. There are in all twenty German Universities of which the nine Prussian universities are considered the best as it is Prussia especially that has advanced enlightenment in Germany. The University at Berlin is the largest Prussian university and the University at Kiel the smallest. The former has at present about six thousand students and the latter about six hundred post graduate students. No German can enter a university unless he is a graduate of a gymnasium which is an institution of learning which combines our High School with the College. A graduate of a German gymnasium regards his diploma as equal to a diploma from any American college. It must be admitted however, that our colleges give a little broader education as a few of the studies in our Senior and Junior classes, such as Astronomy and Calculus, are generally not taught at all in the German gymnasium but are left for the University. On the other hand, it must be admitted that the German gymnasium is more thorough and avoids cramming.

The course of study is marked out by the government and is consequently almost the same for all the gymnasia throughout Germany. A nine years' course in Latin is always required; Greek generally five or six years. The modern languages and the sciences are studied in the gymnasium as they are studied in our American colleges. The gymnasium has nine classes which are called after the Latin ordinal numerals. When a student has completed a course of six years, he is obliged to take an examination which is called "Das Einjährig or Freiwilligen Examen." If he passes it, he is allowed to continue his course and has to serve only one year in the army instead of two. When he has also finished the three higher courses, he is again admitted to an examination which is called the Maturita Asexamen. If he passes it, he can enter any university and prepare himself for his profession. A student of the school of theology must finish a four years' course of study before he is admitted to the final examination.

The candidates for the degree of M. D. must study five years. The lawyers are obliged to study three years and spend two more years in practical work, while the work required of candidates for the degree of Ph. D., covers three years of study and the time for the original investigations which takes generally from one to two years.

The student's life at the university is entirely different from what it was at the gymnasium. While there is the strictest discipline in the gymnasium, there is the most perfect freedom at the University. Here the student is expected to do original work and his success depends especially upon the results of his original investigation. It is this

requirement of original intellectual work which has made the German universities so great and has made them the pattern of all the universities of the world; for independent research is in the end the best test of a candidate's ability and scholarship, and the encouragement of such work is, therefore, wisely emphasized in the requirements for the higher degrees.

But the German Universities have also their drawbacks. The duels continue to be a great nuisance, although they are forbidden by law. Great care is taken at present, however, by the students themselves, to remove all danger from these duels and accidents seldom happen, but they develop a wrong feeling of honor and much valuable time is lost in the useless practice of fencing. The most destructive external agent that wrecks a great number of students every year is beer. Some students seem to live on beer until they can do nothing but drink it.

There are not yet any women in the German Universities, but in the future ladies will be admitted if they have graduated from a gymnasium and passed the necessary examination.

New York Colby Alumni.

If you had been there you would have seen us sitting thus:

Col. Shannon.

Dr. Butler.	Prof. Hall.
Marble.	Putnam.
Bonney.	Jenkins.
Prescott.	Owen.
Hanson.	Melaney.
Edmunds.	Gallert.

Stevens.

The date was Saturday, April 2nd, 7 P. M.; place, St. Denis Hotel. The number was small, but there was no lack of enthusiasm. Shannon, in an animated, congratulatory speech after the cigars were lighted, introduced Dr. Butler who made one of his best addresses. His announcement of the success of the recent endeavors to secure a new chemical building, was received with applause repeated and re-repeated. The doctor's happy, earnest and eloquent manner won the hearts of all.

Then came Treasurer Bonney, who in eloquent terms brought the greetings of the good old state of Maine to the New York Alumni. The influence of Maine in the present crisis was an inspiring theme. Long, Reed, Dingley, Hale and Frye were some of the names with which he conjured.

Then followed Prof. Hall, who spoke for the library; Owen, secretary of the Boston Association, who brought the hearty greetings of that body; Marble, who gave points on education in Greater New York; Prescott, who magnified the so-called "fresh water" college; Melaney and others, whose loyalty to Colby glowed in earnest and affectionate words.

On the whole, it was one of the most successful meetings we ever had. To have the President, Librarian and Treasurer of the university all at once was a gratifying feature. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: president, Harrington Putnam; vice president, Charles J. Prescott; secretary and treasurer, E. F. Stevens; executive committee, Melaney, Edmunds and Hanson.

AN ALUMNUS.

The amount of money offered to the students of Chicago University in prizes for debate reaches \$1,300 yearly.

DEBATING CLUB.

Hold Successful Meeting Tuesday Evening in Chapel.

The Debating Society held an interesting meeting in the college chapel Tuesday evening. Vice president Martin presided. Prayer was offered by Mr. Gerry, after which the following programme was carried out:

Reading, F. W. Newcombe.

Question: Resolved, That Prohibition in Maine is a failure.

Affirmative: A. S. Goody and Hezekiah Walden.

Negative: E. D. Jenkins and J. R. Nelson.

Mr. Goody said in brief: The law is generally regarded as a joke and a farce. Prohibition has become merely a political football. The sale of liquor still continues though more in secret. Officers are subject to the rum power. Statistics fail to show any decrease in drunkenness. Bribery and corruption are fostered. Prohibition is the laughing stock of other states.

Mr. Jenkins opened the negative side:

Because the law does not utterly prohibit, it is not therefore a failure. Affirmative must produce a better system. Improvement is necessarily slow, but repeal would be destructive. License states are more intemperate. Law places the stamp of infamy upon the traffic. The speaker closed with an eloquent tribute to the sorrow stricken mother weeping for her boy.

Mr. Walden for the affirmative said in substance:

If a law fails to fulfil the purposes for which it is intended it is a failure. One of these is to prevent drunkenness. This crime, however, still prevails, and is constantly growing more open. Saloon keeping is a mere matter of intrigue. "Hush money" quiets officers. Many drug stores are merely thinly disguised saloons. Facts prove that drunkenness is on the increase.

Mr. Nelson concluded:

There is no better system. The present law has certainly been productive of good. Compare with other states. Our governors have supported the law. High license now unable to show statistics. The number of saloons is no indication of the amount of drunkenness. Revenue comes not from sellers, but from consumers. The substitution of the prohibitory law for license has caused a marked improvement in Maine. In general, comparison with high license results in favor of prohibition. Perfection is unattainable, but prohibition is the most efficient system.

The chair appointed Messrs. Fuller, Pratt and Maling to serve as judges. During their absence Prof. Samuel Osborne gave a very interesting discourse upon the subject, and was warmly applauded.

The committee, after an absence of about five minutes rendered their decision for the negative.

Northern Teachers in the South.

At Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., the president is a graduate of Colby, his wife is a Waterville lady, the leading lady teacher is a native of Bangor, the head of the Industrial department is a graduate of M. S. C., one of the colored instructors is a graduate of Bates and a brother of Bruce, '98, and the head of the missionary training department is a Chicago lady.

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COLBY'S ACTIVITIES.

No one can, this spring, find any cause for complaint in regard to the activity of our college life. In all departments that is a gratifying stir which betokens the live wide-awake college. We commend those members of the Sophomore class who have seen fit this year to reinstate the Sophomore Debate which was originated by the present Senior class two years ago. It shows a live interest in debating when we go into such a contest as this with no hope of any more reward than the satisfaction of gaining experience and skill on the rostrum. We are improving each year in this feature of our college life and it is in debate that we are bound to win laurels for old Colby in the future. Practice is going on diligently for the Freshman Reading and Junior Debate and it is likely that both these events will be characterized by an unusual degree of excellence. The trials for the Freshmen evinced the fact that we have not a few students in 1901 who are elocutionists of some excellence.

On track and field activity is the order of the day. The ball team is showing up better than for several years, and the prospects for a victorious season were never brighter. The team is playing a snappier, faster game for the time they have been in training than is usual. The track team is doing good work and will undoubtedly be able to show Bowdoin a thing or two later in the season.

THE NEW PROSPECTUS.

Since our last issue the college authorities have prepared and sent out a handsome new prospectus that is a very creditable bit of work. It is profusely illustrated with views of the college campus and the various buildings thereon, as well as containing cuts of all Colby's fitting schools and academies. The purpose of the pamphlet is to present in an attractive and concrete form such information in regard to the history, present condition and needs of our various institutions as will be of interest to all

who have the welfare of Colby at heart. Those who have been concerned in the publication of this book may well feel satisfaction at the results attained. The illustrations of our own campus are especially fine. We have an unusually attractive campus and these pictures give the best idea of the natural beauty of the surroundings here of any pictures that have ever been taken of them. It will undoubtedly prove an excellent advertisement of the college, as a perusal of its pages cannot fail to prepossess one in favor of Colby's undeniable advantages.

Pertinent Remarks.

The following clippings are from our exchanges and express our views in the matter far better than we can express them ourselves:

"A student who is not a subscriber to the paper that represents his institution, in popular vernacular, is known as a 'stick' and his patriotism is as dry as dust. Even if the publication does not return his money's worth to him, he should subscribe anyway just to show his manliness. He who makes the above reason his plea for not subscribing will ultimately develop into the kind of a man who refuses to ride on the train because he can save three cents per mile by walking. Subscribe for it though your board bill is distinct because of its hugeness, and your room rent always runs two weeks past time. If you subscribe in such straits as these, your action will serve as a versacum and you will live to be glad that you did."

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Y. M. C. A. Committees.

President Martin of the Y. M. C. A. has announced the following committees for the ensuing year: bible study, Hanson, Webb and McKoy; work for new students, Spencer, Sturtevant and McCue; membership, Bishop, Doughty, and Perry; religious meetings, Maling, Sanborn and Bakeman; Northfield, Jack, Price and Howard; missionary, Chase, Hooke and Schwindt; finance, Warner, Jenkins and Bean.

An Old Timer.

When the glee clubs were in Presque Isle, one of the members was approached by an old gentleman who said that in the fall of 1850, he was in Norridgewock and remembered that the Waterville college quartette come out there and gave a concert. It would be interesting to learn who were the members of that famous quartette of the early days.

Yale claims to have turned out ninety-two college presidents.

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Professors A. V. G. Allen, F. G. Peabody, Pres. Hyde of Bowdoin, Rev. T. T. Munger, Rev. Henry Van Dyke and Bishop Potter are to lecture to the students of Harvard University in April on the general theme, "The Message of Christ to Manhood."

The possibility of a war with Spain has shown that the patriotism which sent so many college men to the front in '01 still lives. When war first seemed possible, three weeks ago, men in Yale, University of Pennsylvania, Syracuse and other colleges organized for duty. In many instances the football men lead the movement.

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Baseball Outlook.

The first practice game of the season was played on the campus Saturday afternoon with the Coburn nine. The game was uninteresting and very few of the students remained after the first few innings. The game started in to be a fairly interesting one and for two innings the score was kept down decently well. In the third, Colby got away and scored eight runs. At the end of the fourth inning, Scannell went out of the box and Dyer pitched a few innings during which time the Institutes made a number of scores. The players were generally shaken up and the game became a very loose one, Colby finally winning by a score of 14 to 12.

Scannell demonstrated the fact that he had not forgotten the work he did in the box last year and showed that he can be relied upon this year if the occasion demands. Newenham caught well. Rowell showed up well at first during the first few innings, although he was careless later in the game. Rice covered second very satisfactorily and Cushman was a pleasant surprise at short, which position he very ably filled. It is understood that Cush will also catch some of the time and Webb will play short. Hudson made a very poor showing at third, both in his fielding and in his throwing to first. For the outfield, there is sharp competition and the positions are not by any means sure.

The men who are trying for the outfield positions are Desmond, Wilson, Tupper, Allen and Seaverns. Wilson, Tupper and Allen are the likeliest of the five. Putnam has not yet gone out to practice although he will probably be out in a suit before many days. Newenham's arm is in fairly good condition and he will be relied upon to do his share of the pitching this year.

The Coburn team are weak this year, nearly all their men being new to the business. They need a good pitcher before they run up against the other fitting school teams of the state.

The Colby team will play their next game on Saturday with the Kent's Hill team and on Fast day, they will cross bats with a strong local team from Skowhegan.

GRADUATE NOTES.

'76. Rev. C. C. Tilley, formerly pastor of the Bates Street Baptist church of Lewiston, has resigned the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Bridgeton, N. J., to accept a call to Hyde Park where he will commence his labors, April 15th.

'77. Edward C. Lord succeeds Chas. A. Poff as assistant manager of the Nashua Daily Telegraph Company, and has the general supervision of its entire business in all its departments.

'78. Rev. Frederic E. Dewhurst, pastor of Plymouth church, Indianapolis, Ind., has published a volume of twelve sermons handsomely printed and bound entitled "Dwellers in Tents." The comments upon the work by the leading religious papers are the most complimentary and the book is meeting with a large sale.

'80. C. B. Frye is principal of the Frye Private School at 484 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston.

'81. S. K. Marsh, principal of the Waterville High school, has been compelled to resign his position on account of ill health. Prof. Marsh will take a year's rest from teaching.

'81. Rev. Fred M. Preble, pastor of the Chestnut street Baptist church of Camden, will go abroad this month on his annual vacation.

'81. Alfred H. Evans is chairman of the Massachusetts Prohibition Committee with an office in Boston.

'01. Norman L. Bassett has received

the high honor of an election as marshal of the graduating class at the Harvard Law School. This is the most coveted office in the gift of the class and with a single exception has never before been given to other than a graduate of Harvard. The conferring of such an honor by his class-mates shows the high esteem in which Mr. Bassett is held by them.

'93. Dennis E. Bowman has been chosen by the Waterville school board to teach out the remainder of the year in the High School.

'94. Austin H. Evans is instructor in Greek and Latin at the Connecticut Literary Institute, Suffield.

'94. Samuel A. Burleigh has been chosen sub-master of the Danforth High School to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles E. Sawtelle.

'95. Walter L. Gray, for the past three years principal of the Bridgton High School has resigned, his resignation to take effect at the end of the spring term. He will study law.

'96. Miss Evelyn Whitman has been passing the spring vacation in Boston.

'96. Charles E. Sawtelle has resigned his position as sub master of the Danforth High school to accept the principalship of the Winthrop High School.

'96. James M. Pike has been elected principal of the Livermore Falls High school.

'97. Miss Hattie B. Vigue has resigned her position as assistant in the South Grammar School of this city.

'97. A. S. Cole is principal of the Thomaston High School.

'97. Harmon S. Cross has been chosen instructor in physics in Alfred Center, N. Y. Mr. Cross was highly recommended for the position by the late Prof. Rogers, under whom he had taken a thorough course of study.

'97. Harmon S. Cross left Saturday morning for Alfred University, Alfred Center, N. Y., where he will undertake the task of equipping the new physical laboratory preparatory to entering upon his duties as professor of physics at the beginning of the fall term.

'97. Ernest E. Noble who is at present teaching the High school at Mars Hill has been elected principal of the Paris Hill Academy.

The University of Chicago has posted a bulletin which notifies students that it is bad taste to smoke near the entrance to buildings visited by women, and adds that there is no rule beyond that of courtesy and good sense.

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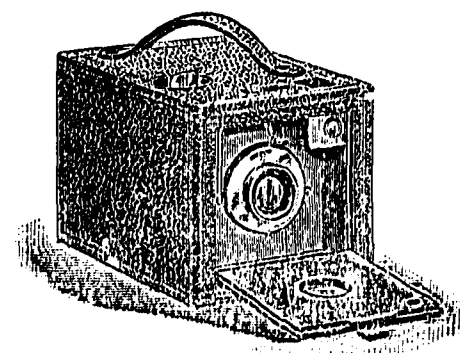
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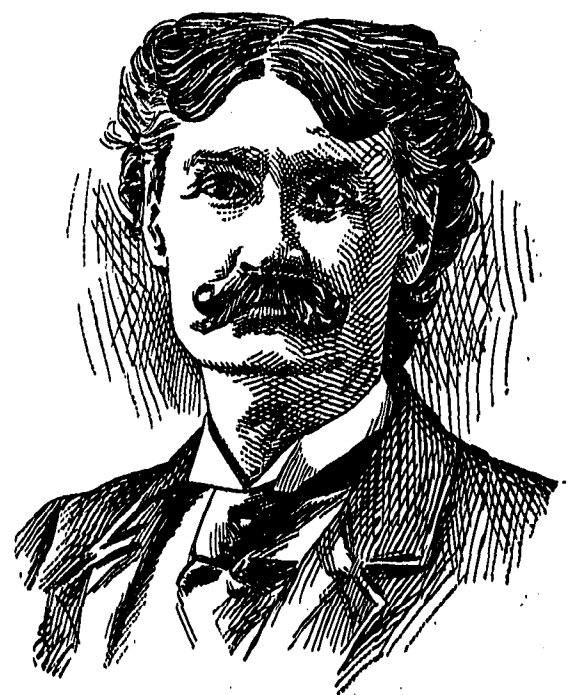
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OF INTEREST.

Martin '99, preached at Canaan Sunday.

Miss Fellowes '01 passed Sunday at her home in Skowhegan.

Miss Smiley of Oakland, was the guest of Miss Sawtelle last week.

Corson '98 passed Sunday with McFadden '98 at his home in Augusta.

The women's tennis court in the rear of the Dunn house is ready to play on.

Ventres '01, preached at the Baptist church on the Plains last Sunday morning.

Miss Dascombe of Skowhegan, visited her cousin, Miss Dascombe '98, last week.

H. L. Swan, '97, ex-president of the Colby Reading Club, is about the campus this week.

Mrs. L. M. Harriman of Waverly, Mass., is the guest of her daughter Miss Harriman, '99.

Price '01 will preach at the Pleasant Street Methodist church next Sunday morning.

The college quartette with Herrick and Spencer gave a concert at Belfast, Tuesday evening.

The Conference this evening will be addressed by Rev. N. T. Dutton. Subject, "How I Carried the Flag."

The appointments for the sophomore prize declamation are as follows: Gilbert, Hardy, Hedman, Lawrence, Jack, Jenkins, Philbrick, Wiren, Miss Philbrook, Miss Gallert, and Miss Stubbs.

Some of the students displayed their patriotism Tuesday night by hanging Spain in effigy and floating the stars and stripes to the breeze near the entrance to Memorial Hall. Rabbit got after Spain early in the morning, Wednesday.

President Butler returned Tuesday from a trip to New York where he delivered the address at the celebration of Founder's Day at Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y. Monday evening, he lectured under the auspices of the St. Stephen's society in Portland.

The question for the sophomore debate is as follows: Resolved, that the United States should construct and control the Nicaragua Canal. The disputants are, for the affirmative, Jenkins, Gilbert and Goody; for the negative, Hedman, Wiren and Lawrence.

The junior class will on presentation day at Commencement give to the college a memorial tablet in memory of Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy '28, who was shot by a pro-slavery mob at Alton, Ill., Nov. 7, 1837. The tablet will be placed at the head of the stairway on the second floor of Memorial Hall.

The preliminary speaking for the freshman reading took place Saturday before Dr. L. E. Warren, Rev. J. W. Barker and Dr. G. F. Hull as judges. They made the following selection: Bakeman, Howard, Marsh, Newcombe, Price, Sprague, Sturtevant, Thayer, Witherell, Miss Clark, Miss Tubbs, Miss Edith Williams, and Miss Margaret Williams.

Junior Debate.

The annual junior debate will occur Saturday, April 30, at the Baptist church at 8 o'clock. The question for debate reads as follows: Resolved, that the times demand the shortening of the undergraduate college course from four to three years. The participants are the following: on the affirmative, Hanson, Chase and Spencer; on the negative, Robbins, Stevens, and Martin. The judges will be Prof. J. D. Taylor, Franklin W. Johnson, and Dennis E. Bowman.

A new Y. M. C. A. building is soon to be constructed for Williams College by the alumni at a cost of \$85,000.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

Last of the Season Was Largest Ever Held.

The last reception of the season given by President and Mrs. Butler at their home on College Avenue on the evening of the 12th, was attended by a larger number than ever gathered upon any of the previous occasions. The weather contrary to its usual custom was favorable and everything conspired to make the last reception a most enjoyable one.

The guests were received by President and Mrs. Butler, Dr. G. F. Hull, Miss Mary Anna Sawtelle and Mrs. Shepherd. The dining room was presided over by Mrs. J. Fred Hill and Mrs. H. E. Judkins. Instrumental music was furnished by the banjo, mandolin and guitar club of the women's college and vocal music by the Colby quartette, composed of Messrs Goodwin, Hudson, Shannon and Brown.

The reception was the first opportunity the members of the college and townspeople were afforded of meeting the latest member of the faculty, Dr. Hull, and the fact added much to the interest of the occasion.

The students and citizens of Waterville are deeply indebted to President and Mrs. Butler for these monthly receptions which, since their advent into Waterville society, have been such pleasant features of the social life of the city and college. The feeling between the people "down town" and the college students was never more wholesome than it is today and it is by just such occasions as these that such relations are fostered.

At Ladies' Hall.

During the past two weeks the members of the women's college have been favored with two interesting papers. The first was on Friday evening, the eighth, when Miss Morton, a teacher at Westbrook Seminary, kindly consented to read to the members of the women's college, a paper on her impressions of Paris. It was written in a charming way and did not fail to interest all who heard it. Her droll descriptions of her experiences were a continuous source of mirth for her audience. Miss Morton has travelled in Europe several times as an interpreter. She is intending to take a party abroad this summer.

The second paper was that of Walter Francis Kenrick '94, principal of the Fairfield High School, the subject of which was "The Prometheus Bound of Aeschylus." This was given last Friday evening. A few of his hearers had read the play in college but even those who had not, gained a distinct knowledge of its character before the close of the paper. Mr. Kenrick began by giving the fables upon which the tragedy was based; then followed a vivid picture of the Greek theatre on the day in which the play was presented to the Grecians. His description of the brilliant populace and their comments on the drama made one feel as if she too were sitting under the open blue sky gazing at the stage. During the paper, Mr. Kenrick translated many passages to explain the progress of the plot and his translations were remarkable for their artistic ability. He closed his thesis with an application of the main ideas of the play to modern times. This paper was especially interesting to the Greek students and could not fail to interest any lover of the beautiful in literature.

In the choice of Senior Class elective studies at Princeton University, the course of Bible Study is the second most popular course, having an attendance of eighty-nine students. The study of Politics is first with an attendance of ninety-four students.

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