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THE CALENDAR.

- June 3. Art Lecture by Prof. Warren in Memorial Hall at 8 P. M.
June 3. S P. M., Baptist Church, Sophomore Declaration.
June 4. M. I. S. A. A. hold meet on the college field.
June 4. Colby vs. Bates at Lewiston.
June 6. M. I. T. A. hold meet on campus, lasting for three days.
June 8. M. I. C. A. A. hold annual meet at Bowdoin.
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:

- June 7. To read a paper before the Society for Missionary Inquiry of the Newton Theological Seminary.
June 10. To address the graduating class of the Presque Isle High School.
June 17. To address the graduating class of the Gorham Normal School.
June 21. To address the graduating class of Worcester Academy.

Zeta Psi Chapter.

The impromptu reception given Tuesday evening by the Chi Chapter of Zeta Psi Fraternity to the members of Kappa Chapter of Tufts College, who were here in attendance upon the Tufts-Colby game, proved a delightful social event.

The Society rooms were prettily decorated with bunting and potted plants. The room one first entered, was in gold and white, the colors of Kappa Chapter. The other room was in blue and white, Chi colors.

From one of the corners Hall's Orchestra furnished music for dancing while several card tables were in demand during the evening.

About twenty-five couple were present and as it was warm dancing the cosy little "set out" places were seldom unoccupied.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Fred Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard performed their part with the usual care and watchfulness.

"Genial Sam" was on hand as usual, to assist in all the ways he is ever willing to.

Hagar furnished refreshments for the party and they were greatly enjoyed.

The following are the members of Kappa Chapter who were present: Messrs. Hildreth, Jones, Hodgman, Smith, Waterman and Brightman.

M. I. T. A.

The Maine Intercollegiate Tennis association will hold their annual meet on the campus, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. Work on the courts in preparation for this event is being actively carried on. The back nets have been set back some ten feet at each end of the court beside South College, and by the time the rolling and smoothing of the ground is accomplished this court at least will be in prime condition.

The judges, referees, and other officials have not yet been decided upon. The representatives from Colby will probably be Shannon '99, MacFadden '98, Stevens '99, and Lawrence '01. Bowdoin will probably send up Ives and the Danas. Bates will also be represented.

U. of M. DOWNED.

Colby Defeats Orono Men on Our Campus Saturday.

As Bates defeated Colby last Wednesday and the U. of M. had previously defeated Bates twice, the men from the state University with a large number of supporters came onto the field confident of victory last Saturday afternoon. From the way they started in, it certainly looked much like their game.

Pretto gave Rice a chance which he accepted. Palmer singled, took second on Webb's error which gave Dolley first. Welsh followed with a hit and on Scannell's error, Palmer and Dolley went home while Welsh reached third and a moment later stole home. Crockett struck out and Cushman went out from Newenham to Rowell. Hudson went out Sprague to Cushman. Rice took first on balls. Singles by Scannell, Newenham and Rowell, two errors and a sacrifice gave us five runs. U. of M. received a blank in the second. After Webb had gone out to Brann and Hudson to Cushman, Sprague dropped Rice's high fly, Putnam singled, Scannell took first on an error by Cushman and with the bases full, Newenham banged her out for three bases. Rowell singled scoring Horace and another error by Cushman scored Rowell. Tupper was thrown out by Sprague, score, Colby 10, U. of M. 3.

Colby scored again in the fourth and twice in the fifth but failed to cross the plate during the remainder of the game. U. of M. scored one in the sixth, two in the seventh and one in the ninth by bunching hits, making the final score Colby 13, U. of M. 7.

The features of the game for Colby were the batting and pitching of Newenham and a remarkable one hand catch by Rice. Palmer batted finely for the U. of M. The summary:

COLBY.						
	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Hudson, 3b.	5	1	1	2	2	1
Rice, rf.	5	2	1	2	0	0
Putnam, 2b.	5	3	1	4	1	0
Scannell, c.	5	2	0	5	0	1
Newenham, p.	4	2	3	1	8	1
Rowell, 1b.	4	2	2	9	0	0
Cushman, lf.	4	0	0	2	0	0
Tupper, cf.	4	0	0	1	0	1
Webb, ss.	4	1	1	1	1	1
Totals,	40	13	9	27	12	5

U. OF M.						
	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Pretto, s.	5	0	1	3	3	0
Palmer, lf.	5	1	3	2	0	0
Dolley, 3b.	2	2	0	1	0	1
Welsh, rf.	4	1	1	1	0	0
Crockett, p.	4	0	0	1	1	0
Cushman, 1b.	4	0	0	9	1	2
Brann, cf.	3	0	0	3	0	0
Clark, c.	4	1	0	3	0	1
Sprague, 2b.	3	2	2	1	4	2
Totals,	34	7	7	24	9	0

Summary: Two-base hits, Hudson. Three-base hits, Newenham. Stolen bases, Rowell, Cushman, Putnam, Sprague, 2, Newenham. Double plays, Hudson and Putnam. Bases on balls, 1 by Newenham, 2 by Crockett. Struck out, by Crockett 1, by Newenham 3; Passed balls, Scannell 1. Time, 2 hrs. Umpire, Carpenter.

The commencement festivities at Wellesley college were opened May 23, with a patriotic dance given by ten members of the Agora society. The affair was given in the college barn which was decorated in red, white and blue.

Saturday's Meet.

The entries for the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Association meet which is to be held in Waterville, a week from Saturday, have closed with the entries as given below. The entries were to have closed last Saturday, but on account of the failure to receive Thornton's list extension of time was granted from the fact that Thornton's manager wrote that he sent in the entries at the proper time. As was expected Portland and Bangor both failed to enter a team. Coburn is likely to present the largest representation, and inasmuch as neither Portland nor Bangor High have seen fit to enter, is likely to win out easily.

The entries received are:

Brunswick High—Captain, Allen F. Wheeler; Furbush, Webb, Mitchell, Shollett, Wheeler, Riley, Dunlap, Maybury, Shorey, Wilson, Coffin, Foster, Woodruff, Hall, Cramm, Varney, Meriman.

Coburn Classical—Leon C. Staples, captain; Sprowl, Lord, Tillson, Smith, Workman, Holt, Libby, Long, Thomas, Woodman, Allen, Knight, Washburn, Staples, Ames, Sargent, Sawyer, Floyd, Kershner, Hodges, Piper, Daddgett, Thyng, Rawson, Wood, Buneman, Lewis, Hamilton, Smith, Goodrich, Clark.

Bath High—Captain, Arthur B. Lindsay; Donnell, Lindsay, Parris, Perkin, Lombard, Baker, Oliver, Rodgers, Robbins, Ingalls.

Thornton Academy—Captain, George A. Fairfield; Giles, Bradford, Leavitt, Gross, Fairfield, Ben Hamilton, Haley, Taylor, E. Day, Webber, Kelley, Dow, Seavy, Libby, Small, Goodale, J. Hamilton, Burbank, H. Day, Wentworth, Guptil, Whitehead, Freeman, Hatch.

Cony High—Captain, H. R. Gross; Wall, Russell, O'Conner, Pierce, Capen, Nash, Partridge, Lee, Trask, Small, Martin, Bean, Barrows, Clark, Morton.

Edward Little High, Auburn—Captain, E. J. Harlow; Doe, Hall, Benne-dict, Harlow, Horne, Huston, Adams, Stone, Stevens, Briggs, Stewart, Yeaton, Norris, Prebble, Tainter, Warren, Kershaw, Davis, Dunbar, Trafton, Chandler, Bearce, Wilson, Cummings, Denning, Haskell, Hastings.

Officers of the day:

(This list is complete only to date).

Track Events.

Referee—J. H. Bates.
Judges of the Finish—Dr. Black, F. A. Robinson.

Clerk of Course—F. W. Alden.
Timers—Dr. Bailey, J. P. Giroux, F. R. Goodrich.

Judge of Walking—J. O. Wellman.
Starter—W. W. Bolster.

Scorer of Track Events—H. L. Corson.
Marshal—J. E. Nelson.

Fixed Events.
Measurers—C. K. Brooks,
Judges—F. P. H. Pike,
Scorers—E. H. Maling, A. B. Warren.

Prof. Roberts has returned from a brief visit to Hebron which he made in the behalf of the college. It has become a custom to send some representative of the college to each one of our fitting schools at least once a year. Prof. Roberts reports a pleasant visit, and found Hebron in a flourishing and healthy condition.

The University of Maine "Cadet" has recently offered a prize for the best distinctively college song written by members of that university.

ANOTHER VICTORY.

Curran's Wildness Costs Tufts the Game.

The game on Tuesday last, between Colby and Tufts, was a very good exhibition of ball playing from start to finish. The visitors brought a strong team, a team which has made a good record with teams of many Massachusetts colleges, and to win from them was a great pleasure to the friends of the Colby team.

It was a pitcher's battle, the visitors depending almost wholly for their game upon their battery.

Curran is as fine a pitcher as has visited the Colby grounds since the games of the New England league three or four years ago. With only two exceptions the hits made off his southpaw delivery were of the most scratchy order. He was far too much of a pitcher for his catcher who was unable to hold him and had five passed balls scored up against him, which made some difference in the final score of the home team.

In the home team a good deal of the work was done by the battery. Newenham pitching a fine game and of course Jack Scannell could not play any other kind. There was some work for the men to attend to and in almost every instance our fielders were on the spot and handled the ball well.

There was an anxious looking crowd in the first of the ninth when with the score standing 7 to 4 in favor of Colby the visitors had three men on bases with only one out. An ordinary hit would have meant two runs and a long one would have at least tied the score and perhaps won the game. The two batters next up both popped up flies, however, and the game was Colby's.

COLBY.						
	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Hudson, 3b.	4	1	1	3	3	1
Rice, rf.	5	0	0	0	0	0
Putnam, 2b.	4	1	1	6	2	1
Scannell, c.	3	2	1	5	4	0
Newenham, p.	3	1	1	1	3	0
Rowell, 1b.	3	1	0	10	0	1
Cushman, lf.	3	1	0	1	0	0
Tupper, cf.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Webb, ss.	3	0	0	1	4	1
Totals	31	7	4	27	16	4

TUFTS.						
	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Bean, 3b.	5	1	1	0	0	1
Burton, 1b.	3	2	2	5	4	2
Hazelton, cf.	3	0	1	2	0	1
Leahy, 2b.	4	0	0	3	1	0
Griswold, c.	4	0	3	9	4	2
Richardson, ss.	4	1	0	2	2	0
Erickson, lf.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Marvin, rf.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Curran, p.	4	0	3	3	2	0
Totals	34	4	11	24	13	0

R H E						
Colby	2	1	1	0	3	0
Tufts	1	0	0	1	0	0

Earned runs, Tufts, 1. Two-base hits, Scannell, Hazelton. Stolen bases, Colby, 9; Tufts, 1. Double plays, Webb, Putnam and Rowell; Webb and Putnam. Bases on balls, Colby, 6; Tufts, 3. Hit by pitched ball, Hazelton, 2; Hudson, Scannell, Leahy. Struck out, by Newenham, 5; by Curran, 10. Passed balls, Griswold, 5. Time, 1hr., 45 min. Umpire, Hoxie, Colby '94.

'88. Word has just been received from the happy father, of the birth to Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Stewart of Bangor, of a baby girl. Mr. Stewart was a member of the class of '88.

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THE COMING WEEK.

The coming week promises to be one of the greatest activity for Colby in all athletic branches. On Saturday, we play Bates at Lewiston. The same afternoon we are the hosts of the Inter-scholastic athletic association who will hold their annual field meet upon our athletic field. Monday will begin the annual tournament of the Maine Inter-collegiate Tennis association upon the college court at the lower end of the campus. Next Wednesday is intercollegiate field day at Brunswick and Colby will send down a team to compete. The same day, we play the University of Maine at Orono. This is a full week and it behooves every loyal Colby man to see to it that his college takes a prominent stand in each branch.

A college is known by the character of its men. Let us remember that on Saturday we are to entertain many men from the interscholastic association who will go to college and that probably they will be influenced to a great degree by the impression which they will receive here on that day. Our equipment and our record as a college is in no way inferior to that of other colleges and what we have, we have reason to be proud of. Let us see to it that our college is held up favorably before the fitting schools of the state on Saturday next.

"IDEAS FROM NATURE."

A book which deserves the careful, thoughtful reading of every college student is the rather small volume, modestly entitled "Ideas from Nature," which comes to us fresh from the press of the American Baptist Publication Society. Our own Dr. Elder, Professor of Chemistry, is the author, a fact, the mere announcing of which, will do more to commend the book to at least those who have sat under his instruction, than all the favorable criticism one might bestow. It is not necessary, then, even if it were possible, to attempt any extensive review of a book, which is assured at the start of being widely and thoughtfully

read. Dr. Elder's theme is evidently the closeness of the relation which exists between God and Nature, that Nature is the manifestation of God, and that as we believe in Nature so we should believe in the All-wise Controller of the Universe.

The book is practically a collection of a series of articles or essays which Dr. Elder delivered sometime ago before the students in the college chapel. Each essay is complete in itself, and occupies a separate chapter in the book, but they each bear a distinct relation to the others and precise part in the development of the whole theme.

The work, as is to be expected coming from the hands of such an author, is thoroughly well executed. The style is clear, analytical, and forceful. The argument is keen and convincing. Indeed the work impresses one as coming from the hands of an author who has something to say and who knows how to say it; who always has the right word for the right idea, and never a word too much.

The publication of this book adds but one more item to the debt which we as students, and graduates as well, owe to our esteemed professor, a debt which we can never hope to redeem in full.

BASEBALL.

Colby still has a fighting chance for the baseball pennant of '98. If the University of Maine will do us the service of defeating Bowdoin at Orono next Saturday, we shall be ready to meet all comers from that date. It is not unlikely that our game with Bates at Lewiston next Saturday will be exceedingly close, but we shall send down a team which will put the blue and the gray on top there if nowhere else. Colby has had a fine team on the diamond this spring and the college and other supporters of the nine have no reason to feel other than proud of the showing that has thus far been made. Some of the best games of ball ever played on the college field have been played by our team this spring and won by Colby too, and if Dame Fortune does not entirely desert us we shall yet see the championship pennant proudly waving over north Campus. "Remember the Maine" and "Don't give up the Ship."

A new prize speaking contest will be inaugurated at Williams this year, as the faculty has decided to make the Von Vechten prize of \$70 for excellence in extemporaneous speaking competitive, rather than have it awarded by a vote of the students. Heretofore the student body have voted for the man whom they believed to have been superior in excellence of diction in the ordinary recitations, in the exercises of the literary societies, and in public debates during the year. This plan has been unsatisfactory, however, and it has been decided to have the men desirous of trying for the prize compete in public competition, to be held in Alumni Hall, Wednesday evening. The competitors will all be seniors, unless there are not enough from that class to make the required number, when the juniors will be given an opportunity to take part. The subjects will be given out an hour before the speaking, and the competitors will be given the privilege of consulting any books on the subjects.

Colby '01, vs. Bowdoin '01.

Arrangements are now nearly completed for a meet to be held at Brunswick between the freshman classes of Bowdoin and Colby respectively. The date of the meet has not been, as yet, definitely fixed upon but it will be either the eleventh or fifteenth of the present month. The events will be identical with those of the Intercollegiate Meet which is held next Wednesday, with the exception that a one-mile bicycle race will be substituted for the customary two mile race. Some sixteen men will go from Colby under Captain Joseph. Blackburn is the manager and it is due largely to his interest and push that this meet has been arranged.

For Bowdoin Foster is the manager and Snow the captain.

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GRADUATE NOTES.

'33. Rev. Dr. William Howe of the class of '33 is, with one exception, the oldest living alumnus of the college. The following clipping taken from a Boston paper of recent date will therefore be of interest:

Rev. Dr. William Howe, formerly pastor of the old Merrimac St. Baptist church, celebrated his 92d birthday at his home, 910 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, yesterday. He is the oldest minister in the state.

Dr. Howe has just recovered from a severe attack of the grip, and the celebration was necessarily of a quiet character.

Dr. Howe was graduated from the Newton Theological Seminary in 1836. His mission work while a student had brought him into public notice, and at the end of his course he was requested to remain in Boston and devote himself to missionary labors. He was ordained at Dr. Mellen's church on Federal St., near Milk, of which he was a member, and from that time devoted himself to the work of a missionary among the poor and lowly.

He at once established a series of mission schools, circling the city with them. There were eight in all. From the mission on Friend St. grew the Union Baptist church; from which came the life of the present Tremont Temple church. One mission was located in Commercial street and later developed into the Baptist Bethel on Hanover street.

Dr. Howe established a mission on Cambridge street. Later missions were established on Washington, Carver and Broad streets. From the Washington street mission grew the Harvard street church on Harrison avenue.

After returning from Europe, where he had gone to regain his lost health, Dr. Howe was called to preach in a small chapel on Harvard street, Cambridge. This chapel was the foundation of the present Broadway Baptist church. He remained in charge of this church until July, 1879, when the cares became too arduous and he resigned. He is still a member of the church, however. With his pastorate in Boston, Dr. Howe has had only two pastorates during his life as a minister. He is now in good health.

'47. Rev. Henry R. Wilbur a retired clergyman of Andover, Mass., died Sunday evening while attending a Christian Endeavor meeting at the Baptist church. Mr. Wilbur recently returned from a trip to the south and had declared that he was in good health. He was formerly, for four years, pastor of the church in which he died and had been clerk of the church for fifteen years. He was a native of Boston, was educated at Phillips Andover academy, graduated from Colby with the class of '47 and was a graduate of the Newton Theological seminary. He left a wife, two sons and three daughters, one of the latter being the wife of Prof. Burgess of Chicago University. One of the sons, Henry, is a minister in Michigan. Mr. Wilbur was 73 years of age.

'02. Hon. George A. Wilson of South Paris, has been tendered an appointment as deputy collector at Portsmouth, N. H., and has the matter under consideration.

'05. Rev. C. V. Hanson, D. D., pastor of the Madison Avenue Bethany Baptist church of Skowhegan has resigned. Dr. Hanson has been confined to his home by illness for many weeks and is obliged on account of his continued ill health to take this step. Dr. Hanson has been pastor of the church for 11 years.

'72. Rev. H. R. Mitchell, who has had a pastorate at Livermore Falls for somewhat over a year, is to return to Waterville to take an active part in the affairs of the firm of Mitchell & Son, florists.

He is to build a house on Highwood avenue, work on the foundation of which has already begun, and will occupy it with his family. Mr. Mitchell will give up his pastorate the first of July. He has been in the city for a few days looking after the building of the house and some other matters of business.

'84. Mr. H. M. Lord, whose appointment as paymaster in the U. S. Army was reported last week, will rank as Major, and his pay will be \$3,300 per year. The position is considered more desirable than that of clerk of the ways and means committee which he resigns to engage in the military service; and it is quite an improvement on that of private in an infantry regiment, which most of our young men who have entered the army have accepted, with its \$15 a month and a prospect of fighting Spaniards, yellow fever and malaria in Cuba.

'92. George W. Singer, for several years principal of the Hallowell High school, has resigned to take charge of the Damariscotta Herald. Mr. Singer has been a regular contributor to the Lewiston Journal for many years and is well acquainted with newspaper work.

'95. Reed V. Jewett of Milltown was admitted to the Washington county bar recently.

'96. H. Warren Foss has just completed a successful year's work as principal of Higgin's Classical Institute. He came down with the Higgin's debating team on Wednesday and will remain in Waterville for a few days.

'96-'97. Messrs. Padelford and Whitman have just been awarded fellowship in the Yale post-graduate school of English literature.

99's Gift to College.

The gift of the Junior Class to the University has arrived and is on exhibition in the Library. It is a bronze tablet to the memory of Elijah P. Lovejoy, the anti-slavery agitator. The tablet is 32x28 inches in size and bears the following inscription:

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A May Party.

Miss Hall 1900 charmingly entertained twenty of her friends and classmates Tuesday evening, May 24th at the Palmer house. The parlor and hall were decorated with an abundance of flowers and presented an unwonted but wholly delightful appearance. A dainty May day idea was that of matching up the guests for refreshments by means of different flowers.

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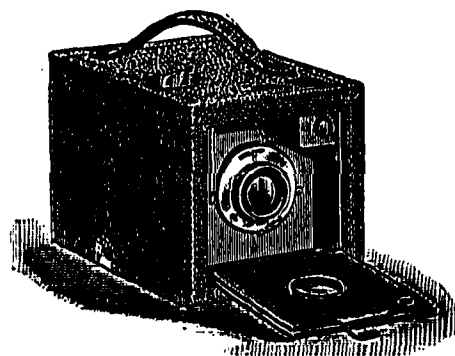
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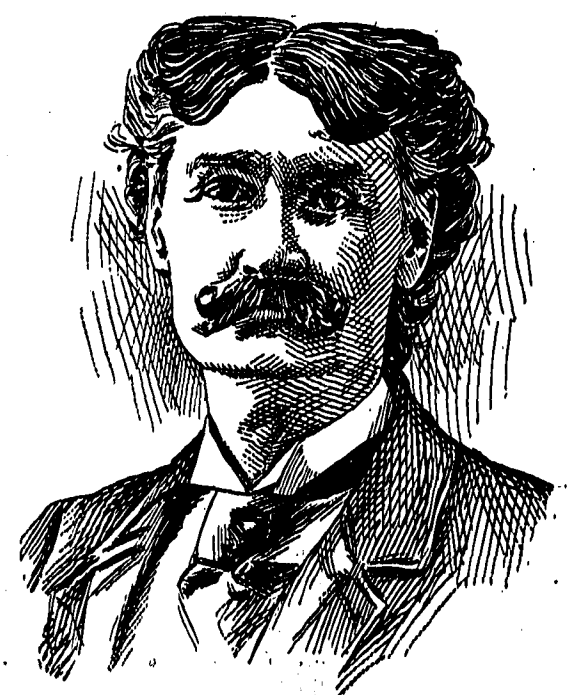
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OF INTEREST.

Miss Brann '97, was in town Sunday.
Miss Sullivan '98, went to Portland Saturday.

Miss Clarke 1901, passed Memorial day in Portland.

Sanborn '00, spent Memorial day at his home in Wilton.

Maling '99, spent the vacation at his home in Portland.

Martin '99, was at Winthrop Sunday and supplied there.

Miss Dascombe '98, spent Sunday at her home in Wilton.

Miss Humphrey '98 visited her home at Charleston last week.

Hooke 1900, spent Wednesday in Augusta, visiting his brother.

Miss Hall 1900, spent Memorial day with her parents in Grey.

Herrick '98, preached Sunday at the Free St. church in Portland.

Cecil Hooke, of the Kennebec Journal, visited at the "Bricks" this week.

Hanson '99, spent Sunday and Memorial day at his home in Skowhegan.

Adams and Shannon both of '99 spent Memorial day with friends at Great Pond.

Miss Farrar 1901, went to her home in Ripley for Memorial day. Miss Blaisdell accompanied her.

Messrs. Sturgis and Bridges, Bowdoin '99, spent Saturday afternoon with friends at the "Bricks."

Keith '97, now sub-master of Oldtown High School was in town over Memorial Day visiting his parents.

Miss Nye '97, is to become a teacher in the Mount Vernon school for boys at Northfield, Mass., next year.

The students are glad to welcome Dr. Hull who has returned to take up his work in the departments of Astronomy and Physics.

As this number goes to press we are sorry to announce that the news editor, T. R. Pierce '98, is confined to his room by illness.

The contract for the Chemical Building will not be awarded until next Saturday, June fourth, owing to the absence of Dr. Butler.

Prof. E. W. Hall went to Boston on the afternoon train Tuesday to represent Colby at the quarter centennial anniversary of Boston University.

Charles Sawyer U. of M., '98, and captain of their varsity football team, came over to attend the game Saturday and visited with friends over Sunday.

The Y. M. C. A. is planning to send a strong delegation of perhaps ten men to the conference of college students which convenes at Northfield, Mass., July 1, and continues for ten days.

The M. I. A. A. will meet at Bowdoin next Wednesday. The outlook seems favorable for an exceptionally close and interesting meet. A full account of the games will appear in next Thursday's issue.

Dr. Warren's Art Lecture on the "City of Venice" will occur this, Friday, evening in Memorial Hall. The Senior and Junior classes are invited to be present. The lecture will be illustrated by some of the superb stereopticon lantern views which Dr. Warren possesses and which will render the lecture very attractive.

Dr. Butler returned this morning from a somewhat extended trip in New Brunswick. On Sunday he delivered the Baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of Acadia College, Wolfville, N. B., and on Wednesday he gave an able and eloquent address to the graduating class of the same institution.

'82. Judge W. C. Philbrook delivered the Memorial day address at his old home, Castine.

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.

To the Editors of *The Echo*:

It has been desired by many that someone should express in this issue of *THE ECHO* the feeling of the students in regard to the recent action of the Faculty, whereby five women of the Sophomore class were given five demerits each with loss of scholarships for the term.

While it ill becomes undergraduates to say anything that would sound like censure of the Faculty, yet we cannot do otherwise than have an opinion of their action and of its effects on the welfare of the college; and perhaps an expression of that opinion is not altogether out of place in a students' publication, especially as it will set the matter more nearly right, according to our belief, in the eyes of the readers of *THE ECHO*.

There are certain facts which make the punishment inflicted seem to the most of us to be both unjust and unwise. In the first place, the men of the class were more to blame than the women; they published the War Cry and were largely responsible for its distribution; they were entirely neglected. Then, too, the punishment was visited only on those that happened to be reported; and the natural thing took place: some who had offended least were noticed, while some of the most active were entirely overlooked. But it seems much more deplorable that for an offence that certainly looks slight, this seeming disgrace should be visited on young women whose conduct hitherto has been above reproach. And how much worse it is that the fair name of the women of Colby, a name deservedly as fair as that of the women of any college in America, should be thus publicly sullied for the first little offence.

Neither does the probable effect on the prosperity of the college escape us; and while the pranks perpetrated by the boys at various times have been deplored on this very ground, we believe that this action of the Faculty, if they should still see fit to carry it into execution, will be more costly than the pranks of years.

Coburn Defeats Higgins.

On Wednesday evening at the Baptist church occurred the debate between Coburn and Higgins, which settled the championship in the Colby fitting school league, Coburn having previously defeated Hebron, and Higgins having defeated Ricker. The question for discussion was "Resolved, that the government of England is superior to that of the United States." The affirmative was supported by John S. Tapley, William A. Cowing, and Roscoe L. Mitchell, the representatives from Higgins, and the negative by Newton C. Reed, George W. Thomas, and Linwood L. Workman, from Coburn.

Dr. G. D. B. Pepper acted as chairman. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Geo. D. Lindsay. The speeches displayed great care in preparation, and showed that our fitting schools are performing their duty in training disputants who may represent Colby in future years. The arguments were clear and to the point, Coburn evidently having a slight advantage, while in delivery the negative showed a marked superiority. At the close, five minutes were allowed each side for refutation, Mr. Mitchell representing the affirmative, and Mr. Thomas the negative.

The board of judges, consisting of Professors Taylor, Warren and Black, after a consultation of about fifteen minutes, rendered their decision in favor of the negative, thus giving the palm to Coburn.

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