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CALENDAR.

- April 21. Fifth Annual Meeting and Banquet of the Coburn Graduates at Boston.
- April 21. Preliminary speaking for the Freshman Reading, the Men's Division, 9.30 A. M.
- April 21. Regular monthly meeting of Executive Committee of Athletic Association, Coburn Hall, 4 P. M.
- April 24. Junior Promenade at the Fairfield Opera House. 8.30 P. M.
- April 25. Baseball. Colby vs. Harvard Medical School. College Field. Afternoon.
- April 27. Intercollegiate Debate. Colby-Bates. City Hall. Evening.
- April 28. Baseball. Andover vs. Colby at Andover.
- April 30. Baseball. Tufts vs. Colby at College Hill.

THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ABSENT:

Saturday, April 21, to attend the fifth annual reunion of the Coburn Graduates at Boston.

Monday, April 22, to preach at Brookline, Mass.

Wednesday, April 25, to lecture at Wilton Academy, Wilton, Me.

Friday, April 27, to address the Hall-owell Educational Union.

ATHLETIC NOTES.

The track is getting dried off rapidly and is in excellent condition. The top cinders have not yet been removed but can probably be taken off in a few days. Manager Witherell is working hard to get the field and ground in condition. The cinder alley for the jumps are being put in condition, a much needed improvement. The manager is very desirous of bringing out a good track team this year and there is no reason why this cannot be done if the men will come out. There is plenty of good material in college. Those having running suits and shoes should report at once to the manager, since he is desirous of knowing how much paraphernalia will be needed. And above all, every one who can run around the track, should come out to train.

A new 14-foot pole for the pole vault has been recently purchased.

Manager Abbott of the football team has been hustling and will be able to present a satisfactory schedule for the fall games. Some of his dates are:

Brown University, Sept. 29, at Providence.

N. H. College, Oct. 6, at Waterville.

U. of M., Oct. 13, at Orono.

Tufts, Oct. 17, at Tufts.

Holy Cross, Oct. 20, at Worcester.

U. of M., Oct. 27, at Waterville.

Bowdoin, Nov. 3, at Waterville.

Bates, Nov. 10, at Waterville.

Miss Grace Mathews, Dean of the Women's Division, went to Boston Wednesday to attend the alumnae reunion held in that place.

The hammer is being thrown 155 feet and the shot has several times gone over 44 feet at U. of P.

The advisability of a triangular league of Brown, Dartmouth and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is being considered by the authorities of those institutions.

THE COLLEGE PLAY.

Our Dramatic Club, which has been working so assiduously for the past two months, presented "The Degeneration of the Dean of St. Marvell's" at the City Hall Tuesday night, and to say that the boys met with the greatest success, would be putting it very mildly. Much credit is due Mr. Edgecomb for the careful work he has put into the play, and the training he has given the men in their parts. Credit, too, is due every member of the Club under the efficient managership of Mr. Philbrick.

It has been proved beyond all doubt that a college play can be presented here in Waterville, and pay. Not for some years has a play been given by the students of Colby, so that a great interest was at once aroused when it was announced that we had organized a dramatic club and intended to present a play. The result of this awakened interest was a crowded house, and considerable money for the Athletic Association. The people of Waterville are very anxious to see college dramatic work, and it would be well for us if we could prepare and present a play every year in this city.

The "Degeneration of the Dean of St. Marvell's" is full of interesting situations, but it must be confessed, however, that the play is rather weak. The "Degeneration of the Dean," of course, is the all important part, and much interest is aroused by the temptations to which he is subjected and his final downfall. The sister of the Dean, Georgiana Tidman, also plays a very important part, and next to our sorely-tempted friend, the Dean, attracts our attention.

Sheba and Salome, the two daughters of the Dean, are aspiring young ladies, one of whom is still in short skirts. Sir Tristram Mardon, a sporting gentleman, and the admirer of the Georgiana Tidman, is of importance, while Blore, the Dean's servant, keeps the fun at a high pitch. The constable, too, and his wife, Hannah Topping, add to the fun in a most amusing way. It is not necessary to follow the plot in all its developments until the climax is reached in the third act.

Major Tarver and Mr. Darbey are two hussars in love with Salome and Sheba, whom we have already mentioned.

By eight o'clock of the eventful night, almost every available seat in City Hall was occupied. More reserved seats were sold than ever before at a play of this kind, and everyone was anxious for the rise of the curtain. In the meantime the college orchestra entertained all with various selections which were well played. At quarter after eight o'clock the curtain rose for the first act and disclosed to the view of the audience the two sisters, Salome and Sheba.

On account of the paint which covered the faces of these fair damsels it was difficult to recognize Chipman and Grey. Their costumes were well-gotten up, and much laughter was created by the conversation which took place between them, especially when Sheba said with becoming force, "I don't consider we are ordinary young ladies at all." The parts were well taken, and their good work was thoroughly appreciated by the audience. Grey was an artist in the part allotted him, and made a very favorable showing, as did Chipman, whose good work in the first act was rewarded by a bunch of plinks.

Too much credit cannot be given to

the able, quiet, yet forceful manner in which Blackburn carried off the most difficult part of the Dean. The long speeches which fell to him were given in a way which became such an important person as the Dean. Throughout all the trying situations in which he played so conspicuous a part, he was calm and dignified.

Mr. Edgecomb as Sir Tristram Mardon was very acceptable. His easy stage presence showed to great advantage and his part was well taken. Mr. Edgecomb was kind enough to take the part of Thayer who, together with his brother, was obliged to withdraw from the play on account of the death of his father. Notwithstanding the able way in which Mr. Edgecomb acted the part, we should like to have seen Thayer as Sir Tristram.

The success of the evening was achieved by Percival as Georgiana Tidman. Again and again were his efforts applauded, and deservedly so, for his part was admirably well taken. Mr. Percival clearly demonstrated his ability as an actor. In every scene he was excellent, and the vivacity which he exhibited as the sporty sister of the Dean enlivened the whole play.

Marvell and Philbrick were well adapted to the parts which they took, and their love-making was the source of much amusement. The part of Blore, the Dean's butler, was taken by Crawshaw, whose acting was rather strained and unnatural. Washburn was very acceptable as the jockey.

Of the two remaining characters, Lord deserves especial praise for the able way in which he carried off the somewhat difficult part of the constable. His get-up was fine, and his acting excellent. Last but not least comes Clark as Hannah Topping. Although we saw nothing of Clark in the first two acts, he was very noticeable in the third and fourth acts. A laugh arose at his every appearance, and he surely was very good as the wife of the constable.

The play was well-staged, thanks to Mr. Edgecomb, and the success in every way, as we have already said, was great. Let us hope that our Dramatic Club will again present a play next year with equal success.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ.

The Very Rev. Augustin Jedd, D. D., (Dean of St. Marvell's.)	A. M. Blackburn
Sir Tristram Mardon, Bart.	F. L. Edgecomb
Major Tarver, (with Hussars, quartered at Mr. Darbey, } Durnstone, near St. Marvell's,	S. E. Marvell
	B. E. Philbrick
Blore, (Butler at the Deanery.)	J. E. Crawshaw
Noah Topping, (Constable at St. Marvell's.)	L. G. Lord
Bob Hatcham, (Sir Tristram's Jockey.)	W. C. Washburn
Georgiana Tidman, (a widow, the Dean's sister.)	P. S. Percival
Salome, } (The Dean's daughters.)	G. W. Chipman
Sheba, }	H. L. Grey
Hannah Topping, (formerly in service at the Deanery.)	A. Clark

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C. F. T. S., '01.

California, Columbia and Cornell will hold a triple track meet in New York this spring.

Daily papers are issued by Harvard, Yale, Pennsylvania, Princeton, Cornell, Brown, Michigan, Wisconsin, California, and Leland Stanford.

BOSTON COLBY ALUMNÆ.

Association Organized with a Banquet and Speeches.

The Boston Colby alumnae association was organized at the Parker house on Wednesday evening, April 18th, with a banquet and speeches.

The occasion was the first annual reunion and banquet of the graduates of the Women's Division of the college in Boston.

Colby college is now in its 80th year, but not until 1871 were women admitted. The women graduates now number 132. The alumni associations of Boston and New York city are flourishing, and the alumnae of the college have now effected a strong organization.

The event was largely attended and had for its special guests President and Mrs. Nathaniel Butler, Professor and Mrs. A. J. Roberts, Professor E. W. Hall and Miss Mathews, Dean of the Woman's College.

Miss Minerva Leland '82, presided, and Miss Helen MacGregor Hanscom '97, introduced the speakers.

President Butler gave an excellent address upon the Women's College in the past, present, and what it is likely to be in the future. The other special guests also spoke very entertainingly. The other speaker was Mrs. Nellie Bakeman Donovan, daughter of Rev. Dr. Francis W. Bakeman of Chelsea.

Prior to the dinner a business meeting was held at which the following officers were elected: Miss Minerva Leland '82, President; Miss Martha Tracey '97; Vice-President; Miss Myra Nelson '97, Secretary, and Miss Harriman '98, Treasurer.

EX-PRESIDENT WHITMAN.

Washington, March 30.

The announcement is made here that Dr. B. L. Whitman, formerly of Colby University, Maine, will retire from the presidency of Columbian University, of this city, over which he has presided for some time past, to accept the charge of a church in Philadelphia. His loss will be deeply felt, because he is popular with the generality of Washingtonians, as well as with the faculty and students of the university. The class in Comparative Jurisprudence and Diplomacy recently presented him with a handsome silver loving cup, as a token of the high regard in which he is held. This cup is inscribed with suitable language and is nine inches in height. There were several addresses at the presentation, indicative of the affection with which the reverend doctor is looked upon. To these Pres. Whitman replied to the entire satisfaction of the assembled students, although in rather an informal manner.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE SOPHOMORE DECLAMATION.

The following is the list of appointments for the Sophomore Declamation, made from those who stand highest in the required work in English:

The Men's Division: Philbrick, Drew, Long, Goodwin, Rockwood, Libby, Benn and Jones.

The Women's Division: Misses Small, Nash, Hall and Wilkins.

President William R. Harper has left America for a tour of two months in Europe. He will spend some weeks in Russia where he hopes to meet Count Tolstol.

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Now that the drama proved such a success the questions naturally arise, shall there not be such a production every year and, shall the present production be carried to other cities.

In answer to the first there is but one answer and that in the affirmative. The financial success was such as to warrant the Athletic Association standing behind any such attempts in the future. The time devoted to the presentation of drama in various colleges throughout the country shows conclusively that educators admit the value of study in this branch of literature. The advantages to those who take part cannot be overestimated.

In regard to the second question there is room for hesitation before answering. There is some doubt as to its being a success before an impartial audience. It requires time to travel, thus taking some attention from the primary college work. But on the other hand there are some arguments to offset the tendency toward a negative answer. The men in the play are not athletes nor members of the musical clubs. There is no denying that travel educates a man in a direction not met by class-room study. A creditable production by a gentlemanly group of college men cannot fail to advertise and arouse interest in their institution in a way that is very profitable. The dramatic clubs from other colleges show in many large cities with great success. The Dartmouth dramatic club makes an extended tour every year. It would seem that the club from Colby ought to meet with a proportional success in the field of patronage of the college.

The word comes from Chicago University that there is still some doubt about the final arrangement to be made about the management of the glee club there. It looks as though after the long quarrel the faculty would have greater control over the organization than hitherto. The success of the musical organizations at Chicago was much broken by the quarrel. We can

congratulate ourselves upon the harmony that exists here between student body and faculty.

A TEN YEAR'S WAR.

A very interesting book has just been published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., under the above title. The author is Jacob A. Riis, whose name is well known as that of the author of "How the Other Half Lives."

The book is not a novel, but a story of the fight against the slums in New York City. Mr. Riis has a very entertaining style and the clearness with which he puts the amazing facts of the life in the tenement districts of the great city, the epigrammatic sentences and the strong conclusions make the book as valuable to the general reader as to the student of sociology. While the facts are revelations of much that is startling, still the whole tone of the work is hopeful.

Perhaps the best chapter is that on The Genesis of the Gang. The author traces its origin and growth among boys, youth, and politicians. It is not a dry book but one that makes the reader do some thinking. Mr. Riis does not hesitate to point out the weaknesses of some of the charitable organizations.

The volume is artistic in appearance and contains several illustrations among which are full page cuts of George E. Waring, Jr., and Theodore Roosevelt.

Y. M. C. A.

President Ventres has announced the following committees for the ensuing year:

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CHAPEL NOTES.

During the absence of President Butler, Doctor Warren has been leading the morning services.

Twice recently the men of the college have been asked to stay after chapel and matters of interest have been brought to their notice. The last thing was the proposition that will soon be given to the college for a common boarding table for the entire men's division.

On Fast Day morning Rev. Mr. Whittemore made a short speech telling of the observance of the day in other states. He also brought out some pertinent points on what the day should mean to us.

Friday morning the devotional service was led by Doctor Dutton.

INSECTS AND PLANTS.

Bulletin of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station.

Bulletin No. 61 of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station is now being sent out. It contains notes on the specimens of insects and plants sent to the station by correspondents during the year 1900. It also contains a full account of the Brown-tail Moth, a new pest to fruit trees and shrubs, which is reported as established in Kittery.

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THE FIRST GAME.

It was a matter of great disappointment to all the lovers of baseball in the college and city that the game scheduled with U. of M., did not come off on Fast Day as advertised. The weather played a bad trick and by some means arrangements were not understood in time to get the U. of M. started after the weather condescended to be half fair about it and allow the sport-hungry people of Waterville a chance to be filled. Everybody wanted to see that game not excepting wearers of the blue and gray, for the team, though just hatched from the Easter egg, was anxious to try its wings. However, there is enough good baseball material in the college to get up a pretty good game at any time, so that there were twenty men on the field in short order. The second team, with Witham as pitcher, took the field and Hudson came first to the bat, going to first on a passed ball then sent along to second by another. Cushman came up next and hit a short grounder to Rockwood who threw him out at first and Newenham's turn came. Witham allowed him two strikes, then four balls and Saunders came up. Horace played with first a little, allowing Hudson to reach third on an attempted put out, after which Newenham stole second. Saunders sent a grounder to first and retired. Rice took next turn and was put out by a grounder fielded by second and thrown first. This retired the side. Burton was first up on the second team and was put out in the same manner as Rice. Witham hit an infield fly to Newenham and Haggerty went down as Burton did. This was quick work. Tupper was next in order on the first team and started the inning by a fly to Bartlett, Allen following with a fly to Teague. Then Fogg got a hit and went to first. Dearborn reached first on an error by Haggerty. Fogg went to second with two men on bases. Hudson batted out a two base hit, bringing Fogg and Dearborn home. Cushman fled out to Teague. Pike went out by a grounder to first and Rockwood and Allen fanned. Score 2-0.

The third inning started with a short grounder by Newenham to witham who threw first. Saunders went to second on a beautiful two-base hit. Rice batted to second and was thrown out at first, Saunders going down to third on the put out. Tupper batted a grounder to shortstop and was beaten to first, retiring the side. The next half was comparatively simple for Bartlett, Thyng and Teague made great holes in the air with their bats, puzzled by the smile on "Ikey's" face, (side retired).

Allen batted a grounder between first and second which was fielded by Haggerty who threw to Witham at first, retiring Allen. Fogg struck and Dearborn went to first on four balls and then got second on a passed ball. Hudson had hard luck at this point and struck out. Burton started the next half with a base hit to right field. Witham hit a short grounder to Saunders who threw to Dearborn, where it was not handled, both Burton and Witham securing bases. Burton and Witham advanced on passed ball, Haggerty hit a little grounder which Cushman picked up and stopped Burton, who had started home and could not dodge fast enough and was touched by Rice. Witham made third. Pike met the ball slowly and Haggerty was thrown out by Newenham to second. Witham scored. Rockwood then took his turn at striking out.

About this time the weather bureau decided that things were getting a little dry and closed the bleachers with a short rain. Cushman felt the effect, too, and waited to see what came next. Three strikes were delivered while he waited and he was succeeded by Newenham

who had better luck in his waiting, getting his base on balls.

Newenham took second on an error by Pike who failed to connect with Boston's throw. Saunders rapped out a single and Horace sprinted home. Saunders then committed larceny by stealing second and scored on a single by Rice, who took second on the attempt to put out Saunders at home. Rice took third, Tupper went to first on four balls and stole second. Allen then sacrificed to first, Rice scoring, and Tupper reaching third. Fogg sent out a liner which was caught prettily by Pike. This was the most exciting winning of the game.

The last half of the fifth scored four runs for the second team, making the score equal for both sides. In this half Witham, Allen, Bartlett and Teague each got a hit, Witham making a round of the bases. The ball being thrown to Saunders by Fogg and thence home, but so far above Cushman's head that he failed to connect with Witham.

In the sixth, young Allen went into the box for the second team and the first team was shut out. The second team also failed to score and the seventh opened with a drenching shower. The Varsity scored one hit by Allen and two runs by Newenham and Saunders. The second team failed to score in this winning and the game was stopped on account of the rain. So much for the first game of the season. The crowd was highly enthusiastic during the game and applauded every good play. It was too bad that U. of M. did not reach here; it was no fault of Manager Philbrick.

It would hardly be fair to make any criticisms on the first game and besides the several plays show the results. The batteries were in good working order, both pitchers and catchers playing a good game and feeling "tip-top." The list of players:

Varsity.	SECOND.
Hudson, 1b.	Burton, c.
Cushman, c.	Witham, p., ss.
Newenham, ss.	Haggerty, 1b.
Saunders, p.	Pike, 2b.
Rice, 3b.	Rockwood, 3b.
Tupper, c. f.	Allen, ss., p.
Fogg, r.	Thyng, c. f.
Dearborn, 2.	Teague, r.
Allen, 1.	Bartlett, 1.

Score by innings,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Varsity,	0 2 0 0 3 0 2-7
Second,	0 0 0 1 4 0 0-5

Errors—Witham 1, Haggerty 3, Pike 1, Allen 1, Newenham 1, Fogg 1, Dearborn 1. 2 base hits—Hudson and Saunders. Pressed balls—Burton 2, Cushman 1. Bases on balls—Witham 4. Struck out—by Witham 3, by Saunders 7. Umpire—Sproul.

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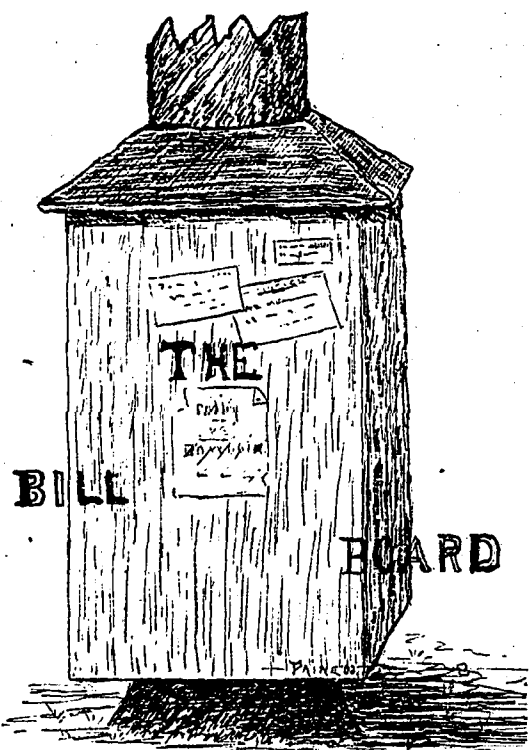
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The local daily evidently does not understand the purpose of my innocent paragraphs. Once more let it be stated that it is to amuse rather than to instruct. I supposed that everybody knew that.

It begins to look as though Spring were again here in earnest. Lots of people had on new hats last Sunday, many went to stroll and several proved themselves experienced pedestrians. The tennis courts are beginning to look like work, the track team candidates are out in the usual elaborate costumes and yesterday we had a ball game. Several poems are on the waiting list for this column but in the multitude of things needing immediate attention I have not had time to purchase a package of tacks to put them up for public reading. This last, the poems, is a sure sign that winter has gone to sleep.

Have you received your term bill yet?

The invitations for the Junior Promenade are out. They are very neat and attractive and promise a successful party.

The sale of tickets for the dramatics caused lots of comment just because someone circulated the report that those who "had a pull" would have the first chance at seats. As a matter of fact, some of those who had the most pull had to be content with very poor locations. Such a report evidently hurt the sale to a considerable extent. It was probably an accident that such a story got started.

It was amusing at the play to see how well a man can adapt himself to a woman's clothes. Thanks are due to the famous Dean of St. Patrick's, Jonathan Swift, for his description of how an actress is made up. It was found very serviceable in the green room.

We see some evidences here in Waterville, that Bowdoin is having a vacation.

"I have a ticket for sale," Fogg, '02. Added later, "My girl went back on me." Hard luck, old man.

I'm only a poor old Bill Board,
Sans nose, sans ears, sans eyes;
But yet I'm a crack-a-jack rubber,
I catch all the news that flies.

The date is a very delicious fruit. Stuffed dates are especially good. Yet it sometimes happens that when a fellow gets stuffed about a date the sensations are not altogether pleasant. Inasmuch as that room in the Chemical Hall is denied some people as a co-ordinate resort, it is amusing to see them accidentally meet several days in succession at

the same time. But one afternoon the accident didn't happen and then it was that the date was not so sweet.

OF INTEREST.

Mr. J. L. Dyer, '98, is visiting at the Bricks for a few days.

Miss Richardson and Miss Pratt spent FastDay at their homes.

Mr Chas. Kellogg, '00, of University of Vermont, called on friends at the college Thursday.

Mitchell, '02, is slowly recovering from his illness and will not return to college for some weeks.

Abbott, '01, returned to college Thursday afternoon. Pratt and Kane, both of '02, have also returned.

Some of the young ladies broke fast at midnight Thursday. It would seem that they also had a good time.

Mr. F. E. Glidden, '99, who has been teaching at Brookline the past year, is visiting friends at the college.

Mr. Austin H. Evans, '94, formerly tutor in Greek and Latin in Colby and also principal of Waterville High School, who has been studying in Cambridge for a few years, was in Chapel Friday morning. Mr. Evans will visit in town for a few days.

The McGraw-Marden Company, Cooper Union, New York City, are making an attractive paper of "Success." The April number contains an article on "Some Suggestions Regarding Money-Earning in the Vacation Season." They will send a copy of the April issue to any student sending a request for it, and will also gladly send their Scholarship Offer to any one interested.

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