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## CALENDAR.

- April 27. Intercollegiate Debate. Colby-Bates. Baptist Church. Evening.
- April 28. Meeting of the managing board of THE ECHO. Chapel, 9.15 A. M.
- April 28. Baseball. Colby vs. Andover Academy, at Andover.
- Apr. 30. Baseball. Colby vs. Tufts College at College Hill, Somerville.
- May 1. Baseball. Colby vs. Boston College at Boston.
- May 2. Baseball. Colby vs. Exeter Academy at Exeter.
- May 7. Art Lecture. Stereopticon. Doctor Warren. Lecture Room, Chemical Hall, 10.30 A. M.
- May 9. Baseball. Colby vs. U. of M. at Orono.
- May 12. Baseball. Colby vs. Lewiston A. C. on the College Field.
- May 14. Opening of the New England Intercollegiate Tennis Association Tournament on the courts of the Longwood Club, Brookline, Mass. Bowdoin, Bates and Colby represented.
- May 11, 12. Junior League Baseball Tournament. College Field.
- May 26. College Field Day. College Field.

## THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ABSENT:

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

## STANDING APPOINTMENTS.

- Last Monday. Meeting of the Conference Board of the Men's Division, 7 P. M.
- Last Tuesday. Meeting of Conference Board of Women's Division 6.45 P. M.
- Tuesdays. Meetings of Christian Associations 6.45 P. M.
- Wednesdays. Meetings of the College Fraternities, 7.30 P. M.
- Wednesdays. Meeting of the Faculty, 7.30 P. M.

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## THE JUNIOR PROMENADE.

The social events of the present college year have been many and varied, but the climax was reached on last Tuesday evening with the annual Junior Promenade, this time given by the class of 1901 at the Fairfield Opera House. The evening was a beautiful one and not very warm, the wind of the forenoon having given way to a cool stillness.

The majority of the class and their friends made use of the special electric cars which left the Elmwood Hotel at about 8 o'clock. Upon arriving at the Opera House the ladies were ushered upstairs where the alcove was cut off from the rest of the balcony by curtains. The gentlemen used the dressing rooms behind the stage.

No decorations were attempted, for the hall is very pretty in itself. In one corner rugs were spread and chairs placed for the patronesses. At either end of the hall was a table for light refreshments. The stage was reserved for the orchestra.

At about 9 o'clock the patronesses were escorted to the portion of the hall reserved for them. Mrs. Nathaniel Butler, Mrs. E. W. Hall, Mrs. C. B. Stetson, Miss Mathews, and Mrs. J. Foster Percival then received. The ushers were Mr. Witherell, Mr. Seaverns, Mr. Percival and Mr. Blackburn.

After the reception the orchestra of eleven pieces led by Professor R. B. Hall played a march and the couples formed in line for the promenade led by Mr. Witherell of the Junior class, and Miss Nickels of Cherryfield. The promenade was followed by the first waltz and the dancing had commenced. After eight numbers an intermission was given lasting about fifteen minutes. The dance order was as follows:

- March and Waltz, "Dreams of Childhood"
- Two-Step, "The Man Behind the Gun"
- Waltz, "My Estelle"
- Two-Step, "The Creole Queen"
- Schottische, "Pumpkin Colored Coons"
- Waltz, "The Moth and the Flame"
- Extra Two-Step, "Hands Across the Sea"
- Portland Fancy, "Ebony Echoes"
- Two-Step, "Smoky Mokes"

## INTERMISSION.

- Extra Waltz, "Italian Waltzes"
- Waltz, "On the Beautiful Blue Danube"
- Two-Step, "Palatinus"
- Waltz, "Little Georgia Rose"
- Two-Step, "Gardes du Corps"
- Extra Waltz, "Zenda Waltzes"
- Waltz, "Nordica"
- Two-Step, "Alabama Dream"
- Schottische, "Island Garden"
- Extra Two-Step, "Whistling Rufus"
- Waltz, "Till We Meet Again"

Mr. Witherell was floor manager, assisted by Mr. Seaverns, Mr. Percival, and Mr. Blackburn. The committee having the occasion in charge was composed of Mr. Abbott, Mr. Percival, and Mr. Witherell. Mr. Bean acted as business manager.

The following people were present, besides the patronesses already mentioned: Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Bartlett, Waterville, Miss Jouett of North Cambridge, Mass., Miss Percival of Waterville, Miss Bassett of Winslow, Miss Getchell of Waterville, Miss Ward of Augusta, Miss Gallert of Waterville, Miss Clark of Deering, Miss Farrar of West Ripley, Miss Hiscock of Damariscotta, Miss Hall of Waterville, Miss Nash of Cherryfield, Miss Thayer of Westboro, Mass., Miss

Dunn of Waterville, Miss Lois Hoxie of Waterville, Miss Martin of Portland, Miss Perry of Camden, Miss Towne of Winslow, Miss Nickels of Cherryfield, Miss Small of Cherryfield, Miss Stover of Amesbury, Mass, Miss Hudson of Guilford, Miss Smith of Waterville, Miss Shaw of Waterville, Miss Bertha Smiley of Waterville, Miss Wing of Waterville, Miss N. Shaw of Waterville, Miss McFadden of Fairfield, Prof. C. B. Stetson, Mr. S. P. Hedman, of New Swdeon, Mr. F. F. Lawrence, of Skowhegan, Mr. J. F. Moody, Jr., of Auburn; Mr. B. E. Philbrick, of Waterville; Mr. W. J. Abbott, of Rockland; Mr. P. M. Andrews, of Sumner; Mr. A. M. Blackburn, of Portland, Oregon; Mr. G. A. Marsh, of Leicester, Mass.; Mr. J. L. Merrill, of Waterville; Mr. P. S. Percival, of Waterville; Mr. S. Perry, of Camden; Mr. E. B. Putnam, of Danforth; Mr. C. F. T. Seaverns, of Boston, Mass.; Mr. R. W. Sprague, of Waterville; Mr. H. L. Withee, of Blanchard; Mr. C. H. Witherell, of Oakland; Mr. G. W. Chipman, of East Raymond. Mr. J. E. Crawshaw, of Worcester, Mass.; Mr. E. H. Fletcher, of Belfast; Mr. F. Haggerty, of Oxford, Mass.; Mr. P. E. Hathaway, of South Paris; Mr. M. H. Long, of Denver, Colo.; Mr. H. E. Pike, of Boston, Mass.; Mr. L. G. Saunders, of Andover, Mass.; Mr. J. Scannell, of the Baltimore Medical School; Mr. W. McFadden, of Augusta; Mr. Geo. Boothby, of Augusta; Mr. Danforth, of Bowdoin College; Mr. T. S. Murchie, of Calais; Mr. H. F. Kelley, of Waterville; Mr. J. C. Bassett, of Winslow; Mr. H. F. Totman, of Fairfield; Mr. S. Wing, of Fairfield; Doctor Dobson, of Waterville, and Mr. H. C. Aiken, of Fairfield. Hager catered.

## THE FIFTH ANNUAL REUNION OF THE NEW YORK COLBY ALUMNI.

The fifth annual reunion and banquet of the New York Colby Alumni was held at the Hotel St. Denis, corner Broadway and 11th Street, on the evening of Friday, April 20th. The largest representation in the history of the association was present.

When it is remembered that beyond the boundaries of New England, college associations are radically changed, it will be seen that a gathering of about thirty of Colby's sons was a very good number. Besides those present five or six who had indicated their intention to be present were unavoidably detained. Five representatives of the college were there, a fact which seemed to be appreciated by the committee having the reunion in charge. These five were: Honorable Robert O. Fuller of Cambridge, a member of the board of trustees, and the President of the college, Professor E. W. Hall, Professor J. W. Black and Dr. J. F. Hill, of this city. Mr. R. W. Dunn of Waterville, from the class of '68, was also present.

After the banquet there followed informal speaking by the representatives of the college already named and other members of the association.

The menu card was an unusually artistic affair, and it is to be credited to the enterprise and taste of Harrington Putnam, Esquire, of the class of '69 and President of the association, and Mr. Edward F. Stevens of the class of '80, a brother of Mr. W. O. Stevens of the faculty. The card contained on the front cover a miniature seal of the college embossed in silver and on the back cover a

finely executed half-tone of the Chemical Hall. The first inside page bore the names of the officers of the association, while the second set forth the details of the tempting menu.

The New York Alumni are intensely loyal to the college and seem to set a high value upon these reunions which, if one may judge of the respective distances of Portland and New York, varies inversely as the square of the distances from the college.

## A RAILROAD CONTRACTOR.

The building of the great railroads in the west developed a class of men worthy of the pen of some good writer. The hardships and adventures which they met with from Indians, Chinamen, Japanese, and Mexicans are thrilling enough to satisfy the most exacting youth and entertaining enough to interest adults. The contractor was in most cases an Anglo-Saxon and here are a few lines about one who bore the common name of Smith.

Henry Smith came to this country in the year 1868 and the opening of the work on the Northern Pacific Railroad found him a common laborer. It was not long, however, before he was doing work by the piece instead of by the day, and in two years, by economy and hard work, he had amassed a considerable sum of money, which he invested in a partnership and became a sub-contractor. His labors were rewarded here and in eight years he had a fortune of which a lucky miner from Cripple Creek would be proud. In spite of his Cockney accent, small stature and crooked legs he was a prominent man in the metropolis of the Northwest.

But there are contracts and contracts and it is sometimes the case that a man loses on a point of hard rock or a bed of cement clay all that he has made in years of hard labor. Smith and his partner took a piece of work about three miles in length along the Columbia River, mostly solid rock. The price of labor advanced, the rock was harder than expected and an ambiguity in the contract was decided against them. Smith's partner was mobbed by a crowd of Japanese laborers and obliged to go to the hospital for nearly a year. The firm finished its contract creditably, but the funds of the firm and the personal property of each member were exhausted in the effort.

Smith began again at the bottom of the ladder of fortune and backed by capitalists he is now almost where he was when misfortune overtook him. He is but an example of those plucky, courageous, indomitable men called contractors.

## NOTICE.

A meeting of the managing board of THE ECHO is called for immediately after chapel on Saturday, April 28, to prepare a list of nominations for the officers of the association and for members of the editorial board, which list shall constitute the "regular ticket" to be voted upon at the annual meeting.

The annual meeting of the association will take place after chapel on Saturday, May 10. Special tickets may be nominated by any ten members of the association in a special meeting called for that purpose, not later than the fourth day prior to the election. Members are those whose dues have been paid before the date of election.

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Tonight occurs the annual debate between Colby and Bates. We are hopeful for success but that is not saying that we expect a victory. When it is considered that the entire team that made such a creditable showing last year is still in college and that two of that team are not to represent us again tonight, there arises a doubt that perhaps the full strength of the college is not being displayed. We are reminded, however, that both Mr. Hudson and Mr. Libby were urged to defend their right to represent the college again, but press of work on the musical clubs gave the former an excuse and the work of editing "Colby Stories" furnished one for the latter, so new men are at the front tonight. They will do their utmost to retrieve the defeats of former years and no more can be asked of them. Whether we lose or win, there confronts us the plain fact that outside of the fraternity halls debating has been unknown here for the past year. The plan by which the speakers of this evening were selected was fair enough but hardly satisfactory. Is the Colby Debating Society an institution only in name? True, its officers have done something towards running one end of the intercollegiate debate which occurs tonight, but it has done nothing in the way of training men for the future. A defeat tonight ought to wake us up to a realization of our position. A victory should not be allowed to gloss over the glaring fact that college debates are missing. No Junior Debates this year; no Sophomore Debate; no debates in the chapel. Such a state of affairs means sooner or later Colby figuring miserably or not at all in intercollegiate debates.

Sooner or later the proposition outlined by the President, at a recent meeting after chapel, will be brought before the students in more definite form by the committee of the trustees appointed to investigate the matter of procuring good board at a lower rate than what the majority are now paying. The success of any scheme tried

with that end in view will be primarily dependent upon whether the fraternities will give up their respective dining-clubs and join as a body the club started by the committee. The clubs will have much to relinquish in their individuality; it would require something of a change in the process of "fishing;" the people now running the five or six clubs would be put to more or less inconvenience. But undoubtedly there are many advantages to be derived from boarding together. Each group of students must decide this important matter for itself and then be prepared and able to defend the position taken.

## ATHLETIC NOTES.

The tennis court near South College has been put in first-class condition and has been marked with a new tape, a decided improvement over the old lime-and-water process. The other courts, too, are being put into condition as fast as possible. Manager Marsh has called for entries for a college tennis tournament to be held next week.

The Executive Committee of the Athletic Association held its regular monthly meeting on Saturday. A special meeting was held Thursday morning, at which the resignation of Thayer, '01, as scorer of the baseball team and manager of the Junior League was accepted. C. F. Seaverns, '01, was elected to succeed him. The date of the Junior League Meet was fixed at May 11 and 12. The date of the College Field Meet was fixed at May 26.

There seems to be favorable prospects of Colby being represented by a team at the New England Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament held in Boston, May 17.

Manager Philbrick of the baseball team is, with the Bates manager, considering an exhibition game to be played at Lewiston, May 5. Such an arrangement would be of mutual advantage to Bates and Colby from its giving a game to both teams and from a probable financial gain.

The advisability of changing the design of the medals for the Maine Intercollegiate Field Meet is being considered by the executive committee of the Maine Association. The new design submitted is a handsome one, having instead a pine tree, as the present design is, a winged foot of Mercury in the centre, beneath which is a pine tree, the whole surrounded by a laurel wreath and the words "Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Association" around the edge of the medal.

R. A. Bakeman has recently received the three special gold medals won by the breakers of the N. E. I. A. A. records on the Colby field last year, and has forwarded them to the owners. The medals are of 14 k gold having the design of the Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Association on the front, the back having engraved upon it the name of the event in which the medal was won, the record attained and the winner's name. The lucky men are A. L. Grover, U. of M., E. R. Godfrey and H. H. Cloudman, man, Bowdoin.

An unusually large number of men are out for track practice this term and a number of new men are practicing in the field events. The prospects for a good athletic team are very encouraging.

Track athletics are holding a prominent place in the attention of students at the University of Pennsylvania. Kraenzlein is showing magnificent form, and easily jumped 28 feet 6 inches. This is remarkable work for this early in the season. Trainer Murphy says he is confident that Kraenzlein will jump 25 feet this year.

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**Agricultural Institutes to Supersede Farmers' Field Day at the University of Maine.**

Farmers' Field Day at the College of Agriculture and Experiment Station at Orono has been successful in the past in that it has drawn a large attendance. When the observance of the day was begun it was hoped that it might be found practicable to give agricultural instruction in connection with it and for this purpose lectures were arranged. With the whole plant of the University on exhibition and students in attendance, it was found that practically every one used the time in looking about and did not care to attend the lectures.

In order to bring Field Day back to its original purpose, that of education along agricultural lines, it has been decided to try the experiment this year of devoting four days to agricultural institutes at the College of Agriculture and Experiment Station. These will be held the week after Commencement, beginning Tuesday, June 19, and extending through Friday, June 22d. One day of the four will be devoted to each of the following subjects:

- Orcharding and Spraying.
- Crops and Crop Production.
- Management of the Dairy Herd.
- Sheep and Poultry.

There will be lectures and practical demonstrations from about 10 in the morning to 3 in the afternoon of each day. Preceding and following these hours tools and machinery will be exhibited. The whole agricultural plant of the University will be on exhibition. Arrangements will be made so that people desiring to stay through the four days can be cared for at a small cost.

The full program will be ready for distribution early in May and will be sent on application to

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**GRADUATE NOTES.**

'86. Julia Winslow, formerly teacher in C. C. I., afterwards in the Girl's School in Brooklyn, N. Y., is studying History in Rome, Italy.

'90. Anna Cummings is at Leland Stanford University taking post-graduate work in History.

'92. Grace Cummings is at Palo Alto for her health. If able she will probably take up work at Leland Stanford University next year.

'96. Florence Dunn has resigned her position at the Waterville High School.

**COLLEGES IN GENERAL.**

Doctor Benjamin E. Andrews, formerly of Brown University, and at present Superintendent of Schools in Chicago, has resigned and July first will become Chancellor of the University of Nebraska.

The Yale Musical clubs last year cleared over \$30,000.

Michigan won its debate with the University of Pennsylvania.

The Yale-Annapolis boat race will be rowed at Annapolis on May 5th.

A. F. Duffy of Georgetown, captain of last year's track team at Worcester Academy, recently lowered the world's record in the 50-yard dash to 5 1-5 seconds.

Harvard defeated Yale in the annual debate last Friday. The question was, "Resolved that Porto Rico be included in the customs boundary of the United States." Harvard supported the negative.

Noah was the first pitcher on record. He pitched the ark within and without. The game was called on account of rain. —*En.*

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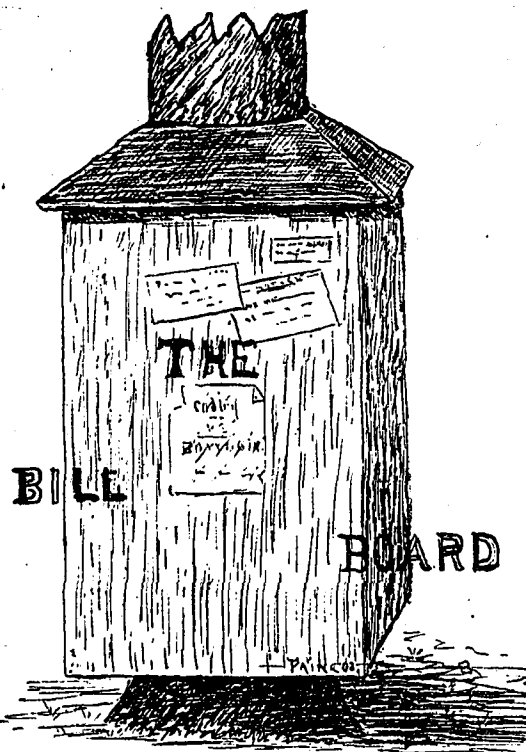
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It is generally admitted that it is a good thing to have college men report the college news for the newspapers, but when a social function of such a character as was the Junior Promenade is reported in the hash-fashion that appeared in one of the local papers, there arises a protest. The Junior class would be justified in giving "Gramp" a ducking in the Kennebec.

Baseball.—On the College Field Saturday afternoon between teams chosen from the Freshman class. The Featherweights will be captained by Butler and The Beef nine by Washburn. This notice was received too late for the Calendar and hence is published here. The co-ords are especially invited to attend.

The college postal cards gotten up by a local merchant are very attractive and much sought after. The schedule of ball games printed and presented with the compliments of the Waterville Mail is also in demand.

Yesterday a man of interesting character leaned up against me, took a survey of South College and then entered. The reading-room did not interest him, nor the other open doors on the first floor, so he climbed the stairs and started on a series of visits to the rooms. The first one he found occupied did not prove congenial, for he received in reply to a request for the necessary for breakfast a lecture on temperance. A second room proved no more to his taste, for instead of coin he got a cussing. With timidity and humility he advanced unannounced into a room where were gathered several students busy with the pursuit of elusive knowledge. His speech possessed the essential element of rhetoric, clearness, and he was rewarded with the price of a square meal if one but go to the right place. In return he made a short speech and sang a song or two in a highly satisfactory manner to a grateful audience. With a little urging he launched out upon a story of the adventures of his life, the story of a railroad bun.

"I ain't no shovel stiff." He had seen the country pretty well, from Omaha to Boston, St. John to Savannah, and never paid a fare. At considerable length he explained the methods of gratuitous riding, the brake-beam, rods, pilot, blind baggage, elevated, crosstied. He rode into Waterville early this morning on the express from the east. He came here on the rods and from the excitement his manner of travelling caused here he declared that Waterville had never seen a man ride in style before. He told how once a crowd of seven, "all stiff," rode nearly three hundred miles on the fast trains of the C. B. & Q. After another song the party adjourned to the gym, where an exhibition was given on the horizontal bar. On the re-

turn from the gym, a member of the faculty was encountered and a serious scuffle averted with difficulty.

#### An Effusion.

When the April sun the clouds has cleared away, when the fragrance of the breezes hints of May, then aside with cares and sorrow, drop the blues and dread no morrow, flee the city's rush and madness, through the fields and thickets roam, spend the hours of glorious day-time in the sweet arbutus' home.

The annual long distance walk took place unexpectedly on Tuesday. "Gramp" set the pace from Fairfield, closely followed by a distinguished member of the faculty.

A certain Freshman recently called at the Ladies' Hall one afternoon and forgot to take his cap when he left. His advertisement has met with the reply that it hangs over a picture in the Boardman Missionary Room.

Heard at the Prom.—"With whom have I this dance, The Man Behind the Gun? Oh, yes! That's Mr. Seaverns."

It is not absolutely necessary to have a glee club picture framed when presenting it to a friend.

#### OF INTEREST.

J. T. Scannel, of the Baltimore Medical School, is in town for a few days.

E. L. Allen, '01, has been at Charleston the present week coaching the Higgins ball team.

N. P. Thayer, '01, will leave college for the remainder of the year but will return in the fall.

Miss Moody, '03, has been obliged to suspend college work for several days on account of sickness.

Gray '02, is ill with a severe attack of the grip. He is being cared for at the home of Daggett '03.

Mitchell '02, improves but slowly in health and it is doubtful if he returns to college before the middle of May.

Dr. Warren gave the Junior class on Monday an illustrated art lecture in Chemical Hall on the Architecture of the Egyptian, Greek and Roman periods. The lecture was illustrated by excellent stereopticon views. Several visitors were present besides the class.

Wednesday afternoon the women of the Freshman class spoké in Chapel before a committee in competition for appointments to the Freshman Reading. Saturday morning the men spoké and from the ten women and nineteen men who made the trial, the following list was chosen: Boyadjioff, Cox, Daggett, Paine, Pierce, Richardson, Stoward, Miss Evans, Miss M. E. Dunn, Miss Hoxie, Miss Jenks, Miss Warren. The judges who aided were: Prof. W. J. Drisko, Dr. Dunn and Rev. A. C. Lane.

President Butler spent Wednesday, the 25th, at Wilton Academy, the Principal of which is D. T. Harthorne of the class of '94, and the first assistant, Miss Dascombe of the class of '08. In the evening Doctor Butler lectured upon Oliver Wendell Holmes. Wilton Academy has sent to Colby some of the best material in many of our recent classes, Miss Dascombe '08, Dascombe '00, Sanborn '00, Miss Wilkins '02, and Knapp '08. In the afternoon Doctor Butler saw the work of the school in the classroom, in debate, music and oratory and reports that there seems to be a great deal of first-class material for college work, and that it is not unlikely that two men and perhaps one woman will enter Colby next fall.

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The Library contains 35,000 volumes and is always accessible to students. The college possesses a unique Physical Laboratory, a large Geological Museum, and is the repository of the Maine Geological Collection. A new and thoroughly equipped Chemical Laboratory was opened in September, 1899. Physical training is a part of the required work. There is a gymnasium with baths, and an excellent cinder-track.

The preparatory department of the college consists of four affiliated academies: (1) Coburn Classical Institute, owned by the college, Waterville; (2) Hebron Academy, Hebron, (Oxford county); (3) Ricker Classical Institute, Houlton, Aroostook county; (4) Higgins Classical Institute, Charleston, (Penobscot county).

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