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CALENDAR.

- May 11. College supper at the Baptist Church, 5.30 to 7 P. M.
 May 11, 12. Junior League Baseball Tournament. College Field.
 May 12. Baseball. Colby vs. Lewiston A. C. on the College Field.
 May 15. Opening of the New England Intercollegiate Tennis Association Tournament on the courts of the Longwood Club, Brookline, Mass. Bowdoin, Bates and Colby represented.
 May 15. Baseball. Colby vs. Bates at Lewiston.
 May 19. Baseball. Colby vs. Portland A. C. at Portland.
 May 23. Baseball. Colby vs. U. of M. on the College Field.
 May 25. Sophomore Declamation, Baptist Church, 8 P. M.
 May 26. College Field Day. College Field.

THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ABSENT:

Sunday, May 13, to address the graduates of Higgins Classical Institute at Charleston.

Sunday, May 20, to preach at Cherryfield.

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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Williams College is considering the advisability of adopting the so-called "Honor System" in examinations. A committee of thirty undergraduates has drawn up a constitution which will be submitted to the college for adoption at the beginning of the spring term.

A FAIR TYRANT.

I know you'd not think her despotic,
 This maiden so sweet and demure,
 Perhaps 'tis my fancy erotic,
 That makes me so servient to her.
 She is lissome and slight and petite,
 Like a dainty and delicate flower;
 She wills—and my hands and my feet
 Are swift to acknowledge her power.
 Will never these eyes find their vision,
 Which now seem so hopelessly blind
 To frailties that merit derision
 In one of a weak womankind?
 Who—such is the web that she weaveth,
 So 'witched is her magical loom,
 —Her work ne'er forsaketh nor leaveth
 'Till she's fashioned the fabric of doom.
 Her reign—it is cruel, tyrannic,
 —This queen who has rule of my heart;
 What right she, to cause such a panic?
 What right she, to practice black art?
 She's a witch, she's a siren—a Circe,
 A fraud, and a snare, and a cheat,
 But alas! she will show me no mercy,
 She has fettered my hands and my feet.

ZETA PSI RECEIVES.

One of the most pleasant social affairs in the life of the College and city was the reception tendered by the men of the Zeta Psi Fraternity to their lady friends of Colby and a few invited guests from the city.

The reception occurred last Thursday evening in the hall of the fraternity in the Burleigh Block on Main street. The secret rooms were transformed into very pretty house-parlors being tastefully decorated with large potted plants and ferns with streamers of bunting of the fraternity's colors, blue and white, hanging in long festoons from walls and pictures.

By reason of the dampness of the evening nearly every hack in the city was kept busy bringing the guests to and from the reception. The genial Sam stood at the door to usher in the guests as they arrived. In one corner of the reception room which was banked with potted palms, were the patronesses, Miss Mary E. Redington, Mrs. Willard M. Dunn, Mrs. Warren C. Philbrook, Miss Grace E. Mathews.

A social hour was passed in conversation, after which Hall's Orchestra furnished music for those wishing to dance. In the second hall tables were placed for the use of those who enjoyed whist, while the evening was passed most pleasantly for others in conversation and in viewing the pictures of the representatives of the Chi, including the delegations of the men from '58 to the present time.

During the evening light refreshments were served of harlequin ice cream in blue and white, with fancy crackers and punch. Dainty souvenirs of odd design were distributed to the guests for "Names."

No period of the evening lagged. The spirit of the occasion was entered into by hosts and guests alike, and so the evening was passed quickly and happily. At about twelve o'clock the patronesses were called upon to perform their final function, and the guests were bidden a happy good-night.

As the friends were descending the stairs the Zetes, active and alumni, formed in a body and gave the Zeta yell. About sixty people were present during the evening. The Alumni present were:

Hon. S. S. Brown, Mayor W. C. Philbrook, Prin. J. E. Nelson, H. L. Corson, W. A. Smith, L. E. Salisbury, W. W. Brown, D. M. Bangs, Waterville; W. L. McFadden of Augusta.

'00. Etta Purinton is teaching at Weymouth Landing, Mass.

COMMUNICATION.

EDITOR THE ECHO:

Not being a graduate of Colby, the writer feels a certain reluctance in speaking by your kindness on a question that seems very much a live issue.

And yet, the traditions of the college in athletic matters, particularly baseball, are sufficiently known to warrant an opinion which it is trusted will not tread too closely upon the heels of impracticable thought.

Particular attention has been called during recent years to the workings of the coach system, at the college, on the diamond. In the spring of '97 a graduate of Brown was engaged as coach. He was an excellent exponent of the game himself, yet the success of the nine that season was not sufficient to flatter the management into a re-engagement. In '98 reliance was made upon the material in hand and college spirit to do the rest. The nine of that season was superior to that of the year before, though not a winner of the pennant, the other teams in the league putting up strong games, hard to beat. Then a professional coach, a former Boston league player, was hired. The results of the season of '99 were not flattering, to say the least. So much for the coaching done thus far in recent years when Colby has had the best material in her history from which to select a winning team.

Let us look at the leading college and university teams of the country for a moment and measure their success or non-success under a system of coaching we have never yet tried, let alone adapted.

Harvard does not cater to professional talent for her coaching department. Neither do Yale, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania. All, if we mistake not, have professional trainers, but that is in another department of athletic activity. Look to Williams, Dartmouth, Amherst and other leading minor colleges and we find slight trace of professionalism in baseball work. The main movement in all these circles seems to hinge upon college spirit, born of alumni and undergraduate effort, the sure test of permanent good.

Colby cannot hope to leap to affluence such as is enjoyed by the colleges named above, not for the present at least. But we have our little day and we can or cannot cease to be after we leave the college halls. We cannot, perhaps, have a Colby man for a coach for each position in a baseball nine, but it were the thing to stir up a sentiment that might eventually work to this end. Presuming all those men who want to see Colby represented on the diamond by a winning team each season either come themselves to the field and favor with their suggestions, etc., or send to the management their hearty co-operation so far as possible from the many distances, who then would seek funds to invest in professional coaching?

An ounce of genuine college spirit will infuse more strength into Colby's baseball nine this season and the next than all this catering we have done of late to elements that are not of us. A coach corps is a good thing and sooner or later should be pushed to the front as the saving grace of our beclouded baseball department. Whose voice and effort will be the first to make the suggestion and find favor among the powers that be? Very truly,

H. F. T., Ex. '00.

COBURN GRADUATES.

A most pleasant event was the reception given Tuesday evening, by Principal and Mrs. F. W. Johnson, at their residence on Dalton Street. The guests included the five classes from '95 to '99, which have graduated from Coburn Classical Institute since Mr. Johnson became its principal. With members from these classes were also present the teachers of the school, Prof. A. L. Lane, Mr. Henry R. Spencer, Miss Gilpatrick, Miss Plasted and Miss Ames. The company numbered about fifty, of whom the greater part are members of Colby.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were assisted in receiving by Miss Gilpatrick. In the dining room Mrs. J. W. Black and Miss Abbott served light refreshments, assisted by the Misses Hall and Elder. The dining room was prettily decorated with the Coburn crimson.

The occasion furnished a rare opportunity for the recent graduates of Coburn to renew their acquaintance in recalling the happy memories of the days of their fitting school. Much of the conversation was of a reminiscent character, and many were the stories told of the incidents in the later life of this school in which all Coburn graduates take such pardonable pride.

Of the members of the college present were, the Misses Purinton, Williams, Ames, Elder, Gray, Hall, Cram, Perry, Towne, Lewis, Nickels, Pierce and Stover; and Messrs. Towne, Gilbert, Fogg, Jenkins, Howard, Marsh, Putnam, Sturtevant, Bean, Long, Stevenson, Workman, Arey, Butler, Daggett, Staples, Thomas, and Washburn.

A COMMON BOARDING CLUB.

At a meeting of the men held after chapel yesterday morning, President Butler again brought before the students the matter of a general club. After a few preliminary remarks he introduced Rev. N. T. Dutton. Mr. Dutton said that the committee had made a careful study of the matter and he gave the following estimate of the financial side of the affair:

Repairs on the Hershey House, \$1000.00; furniture, \$600.00. This amount will be invested by the college. Interest per year, \$100.00; wear and tear, \$100.00; help, \$1200.00; supplies, \$2.00 per week per individual. If the entire non-resident student body (men) should adopt this plan, it would ensure board at \$2.75 per week. Mr. Dutton quoted the prices prevailing at various other institutions. Several questions were asked by students regarding the management of such a club, the quality of food, etc. The weak points in the plan seem to be in the location of the quarters proposed and the uncertain management.

A canvass of the student body is being made by the Conference Board and this canvass will undoubtedly reveal the opinion of the students. The good that would result from such a club more than balances any uncertainty of its meeting the demands of the men. It means more students in college, a better college spirit, a better relation of individual to individual. It also means a saving of a very considerable sum to each man and this is no slight argument in its favor.

The president of Harvard College recently advised the students to proportion their day thus: "Study ten hours, sleep eight, exercise two, social duties one, meals three."

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Today and tomorrow we have with us as guests the ball teams of Colby's four affiliated academies. Ever since the Colby Junior League was organized the college men have taken a great interest in the annual tournaments, for each team has strong backers among the students. If the academy men enjoy their visit as much as do their entertainers, they will have an enjoyable time. The formal welcome tonight is only one way of expressing a welcome to them.

The good results evidenced from the baseball tournament leads to a question whether it would not be well to have such a contest in track athletics. Colby seldom gets a new student who knows anything about track work, and it is very clear that an interest in running in the academies would help that branch of college athletics very materially.

The complaint comes from many quarters that not all the candidates for the various athletic teams are training carefully. Just how much reason there is for such complaint each individual thus accused must say for himself. To a close observer, however, it is plain that not every athlete is making the most of himself, and unless he is so doing he is not training well. If training, that is proper care of the body, is held to be of great importance by the leading athletic teams, surely a minor team must follow the same regulations. It is no great hardship to refrain from pastry, tobacco, etc., and to keep good hours. A training table would help in one way only. If a man has not the firmness of character to train, then it should follow inevitably that he should have no place on a team. College spirit, pride, every argument calls for the best preparation for athletic contests, and no man is doing his best unless he so prepares himself.

Colby wishes to congratulate Bowdoin upon the assured prospect of her new library. The reports current tell us that the building will be a magnif-

icent one, and all Maine will be proud of anything that tends to keep her educational institutions on a par with the rest of New England.

ALUMNI NOTES.

'93. Helen R. Beede is attending the Bible Normal College at Springfield, Mass.

'94. The address of Frances H. Clutter is desired.

'95. Linda Graves, who at present is a teacher in Portland High School, has been visiting Miss Blanche Lane in this city.

'96. Evelyn M. Whitman is now teaching in the Allston School, Cambridge, Mass.

'96. Sara B. Mathews is teaching in Meriden, N. H.

THE RIPPLE-SONG: A LULLABY.

Whispering, whispering, whispering, whispering,
Still we go over the water so ceaselessly;
Flashing and glimmering, flashing and shimmering,
In the long light of the lingering day.

Silently, silently, silently, silently,
Glide we among the tall reeds by the rivulet;
Dancing and tapping, and glancing and lapping,
We rock the low shallop at moor in the bay.

Anon we go out to the billowy deep,
Where, dreamily rocked by the swell of the wave
And the sea-wind far-wafted from over the water,
The sunshiny ripple is lulled to its sleep.

In peace then we rest
On ocean's full breast:
So sleep, thou weary one,
While by thy side the ripples run;
So sleep,
So sleep.

—Harvard Monthly.

When your trousers are pressed by me,
They have no bag left at the knee.

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ATHLETIC NOTES.

The track team is hard at work nearly every afternoon in the week, training hard for the annual college field day, May 26th, and the inter-collegiate meet held at Brunswick, June 9th. The work at this early period seems to promise that Colby will do better this year than ever before. Of the other Maine teams this much can be said: Bowdoin expects to win the Worcester meet again this year and is counting on a walkover in the Maine meet. U. of M. will be represented at Worcester for the first time and hopes to make a good debut. Bates is working hard and hopes to make second place in the Maine meet.

Doctor Frew has general charge of the team and is putting the men through work in the gymnasium as well as on the track. His experience is very valuable, especially in training the shot, discus, hammer and men for the other field events. Mr. Pike and Mr. Stevens are also coaching the men, the former the weight and discus men and the latter the high jumpers.

Captain Cotton is leading the squad on the straightaway and hurdles. He himself is sprinting well, making a good start and getting an excellent stride. He takes the high hurdles after the ungraceful but speedy style adopted by the Pennsylvania record breaker, Kraenzlein. Here Colby can surely count on a place in the Maine inter-collegiate, perhaps second and a chance at first. In the low hurdles the prospects are brighter than the usual dull gray. On the straightaway Pierce and Cox, both freshmen, are showing form equal to Cotton's, while Daggett, Hawes, Workman and the other men are doing pretty well.

In the quarter Rockwood and Crawshaw are showing good style and will certainly push each other pretty well for honors in the hard distance. This pair are also trying the half mile and show fair work here. With hard training either of these men will carry the new blue running pants well to the front at Brunswick.

In the mile and two-mile runs Moody is coaching the squad. He is also watching the middle distance men. Those who saw Moody run the long run in the autumn and are familiar with his work at Worcester are confident that he will win for Colby ten points at Brunswick. Certainly no one here can approach his style and speed. In the college field day the seniors count upon him to win the half, the mile and the two-mile. The long distance squad is a large one and includes as good a crowd as the track has seen for some years. Hedman can outprint the bunch on a finish but lacks the fast work to make him push Moody at the start. Doughty, Stearns, Stewart, Arey, and Tompkins are among the other promising candidates. All these men are trying both of the distances.

With the discus Taylor is doing enough to insure third place in the Maine meet, and if he could elevate his hurling, he might gain several feet on his record. He is also putting the shot well. Thomas is the best man here, however, and if he makes no better a mark than he did in the inter-scholastic, he is good for second place at Brunswick. Knowles and Clark are improving at the work with the weights. Nothing good has yet been done with the hammer. In the high jump Dearborn is showing good form but has not done enough to warrant a criticism. In the broad jump Hawes is the best man so far. Crawshaw, Doughty, Hawes, and Fogg '00, are trying the pole vault; so far not very promising. No work worthy of mention has been done in the bicycle event.

Only a few of the candidates for the team have been named. A careful esti-

mate of the comparative strength of the four classes shows the Seniors and Freshmen the favorites, with the Sophomores for next choice. This is counting the point winners who are with the ball teams. However, it is very close estimating and the loss of a single event means a change of positions from that intimated above.

The Freshmen Meet with the Bowdoin Freshmen will probably take place June 2. The place is Brunswick. Bowdoin takes a victory for granted, but the Colby yearling will make something of a fight.

TENNIS.

In the preliminary round, in addition to the matches recorded last week, Daggett beat Drew 6-3, 8-10, 6-4. In the first round, Lawrence beat Bakeman, 8-6, 6-1; Saunders beat Doctor Frew, 6-4, 6-2; Hedman beat Cox, 6-0, 6-2; Sanborn beat Glover, 6-2 6-2; Blackburn beat Daggett by default. In the second round, Paine beat Fogg, 6-0, 6-3; Sanborn beat Blackburn, 6-3, 6-1; Saunders beat Hedman, 6-2, 6-0; Lawrence beat Jenkins, 6-1, 6-1. In the semi-final, Saunders beat Lawrence, 6-3, 6-3; Paine beat Sanborn, 6-2, 6-1. In the finals, Saunders beat Paine, 1-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-1.

At a meeting held after chapel last Wednesday it was decided to send to the N. E. I. S. T. A. tournament the winner of this preliminary tournament here and that the three remaining men to reach the semi-finals should play for the second privilege of representing the college at the Longwood Courts, May 15-19. The present outlook is not good for a Maine Intercollegiate tournament. It would seem as though the present holders of the cups wished to run no risks of losing them.

The Harvard, Yale and Columbia teams lost the cable chess match with Oxford and Cambridge combined, after a two-days' contest, by a score of 4 1-2 to 1 1-2. This overwhelming defeat was not expected, although little hope of a victory was entertained.

The authorities at Swarthmore College have given notice to the three women's fraternities there to withdraw their charters at the end of the present term, the reason given being, that the secret societies interfere with the social life of the college. The men are also fearful that the authorities will act the same in the case of the three men's fraternities, Kappa Sigma, Delta Upsilon, and Phi Kappa Psi.

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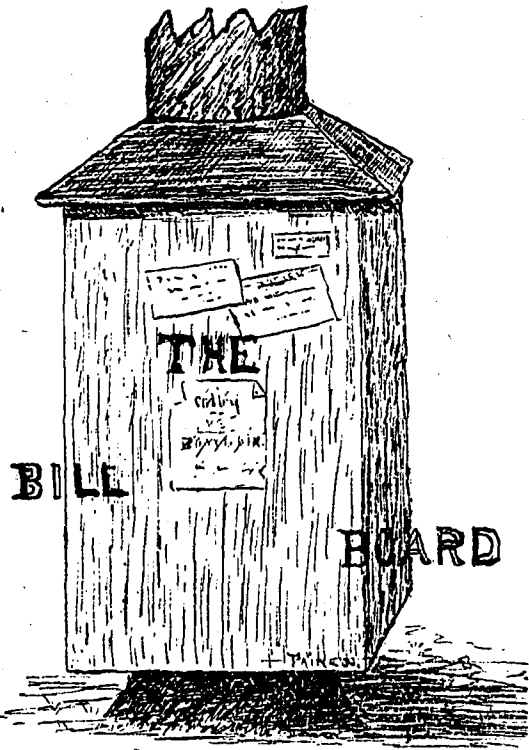
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Many amusing things happened on the recent trip of the nine to the state of which Maine used to be a part. Some of these things are more worthy of secesy than publication, but a few of them may interest the enlightened reader. For instance, Bunker Hill was visited and the monument climbed by one or two venturesome fellows. One of them, however, sat down upon the tenth step and thought of how Napoleon rode up the tower of St. Marks in Venice upon a mule, and the thought filled him with such envy that he followed the example of the illustrious man of destiny in one thing, he did not walk up the tower.

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The bird has flown.

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Several May baskets were hung in the first days of the month. These exercises were attended with the usual ceremonies a detailed account of which would weary the eye and ear. Suffice it, a heavy rain spoiled the rites attending the hanging of one of the laundry baskets on the Dunn House steps.

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Some very interesting ball games took place on the college field the latter part of last week and the men in college who live in Lewiston and Auburn were out in evidence, even if their number is small. Wearisome discussions on the relative merits of fitting school teams have filled the air since.

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Chaucer says:

"The field hath eyes, and the wood hath ears."

A more modern poet writes:

And so has the Messalonskee bridge.

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One of the Maine dailies that derives its name from the beautiful river that flows behind the college seems to devote much more of its space to a college situated on the banks of the Androscoggin than to all others combined.

CLASS OF 1902 PARTY.

The ladies of the class of 1902 gave an informal reception to the men of the class, Friday evening, May 5, at Files' Hall, Fairfield. The patronesses were Mrs. Nathaniel Butler and Mrs. C. B. Stetson.

The evening was spent in dancing, singing, and interesting games. There was also a guessing contest in which Miss Gray took the prize. Refreshments were served during an intermission in the dancing.

The ladies of the class were dressed in the class colors, giving to the party a very pretty effect. No outsiders were present.

The party returned to Waterville at about 12.30, and broke up with the class yell.

'97. Octavia W. Mathews is teaching in South Hadley, Mass.

OF INTEREST.

Botany students will do well to procure their herbarium cards soon at *The Mail* office.

The most attractive advertising matter distributed among the students of late are the "Private Postal Cards" given by H. R. Dunham.

There have been several visitors at chapel the past week. On Monday Doctor Dunn took part in the devotional services. On Tuesday they were led by Rev. Mr. Whittemore of this city.

Mr. Hicks, the traveling secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was present at the meeting Tuesday evening. His address was earnest, helpful, and full of salient points. All who were present spent the half hour very profitably.

The date of the game with Bates has been changed from the 16th to the 15th. The game will be played at Lewiston. There is some talk of a game with Portland A. C. here some time in Commencement week.

Manager Philbrick received a message at chapel Wednesday morning postponing the game with U. of M. for that afternoon. A brakeman on the morning express informed him that it had been raining very hard in Bangor all night.

Doctor Marquardt spent several days at Ricker Institute, at Houlton, last week, and reports a very interesting trip. Ricker is undoubtedly the best secondary school north of Bangor, and has sent to Colby some excellent men and women. Mr. Thomas, the principal, is a Colby graduate and a most energetic manager.

The fire at the mills across the river on Monday afternoon attracted the attention of many students. For a time it looked as though the conflagration would be a large one but the quick work of the private fire department rapidly subdued the flames. This is one of the few extraordinary things seen from the bricks this spring.

Professor Stetson returned last Friday from a trip to Hebron Academy. He reports that the academy is in a flourishing condition and that ten men will probably come to Colby next fall. Hebron Academy is one of the strongest of our fitting schools. Nineteen of the best men in college, many of them athletes, are from this well-known academy.

Doctor Warren gave a most interesting lecture last Monday on "The City of Venice." The pictures thrown upon the wall were very beautiful, representing architectural beauties of the city and many of the famous artists and their works connected with Venice, her palaces and churches. Many visitors were present from among the students and their friends.

Tuesday night at the regular Y. W. C. A. meeting at Ladies' Hall, Miss Katherine Cram, one of the travelling secretaries, addressed the women of the college. She explained very clearly what is the exact object of the World Association, and also the part of each individual association. Miss Cram is a very earnest worker and her visit has been a great help to the association.

"The scorers box at the Colby field is a breeder of pneumonia, a disgrace to the college, an insult to the members of the press, and a death trap from the fact that the screen in front of the scorers is badly torn. The place is wet and damp and the only seats that are to be found are those improvised from two pieces of board four inches wide."—*Kennebec Journal*.

Such an item as the above really needs no comment. Delicate satire sometimes cuts and smarts, but mad ranting is a waste of ink. The last sentence comes nearer a true statement of affairs and of course the matter will be attended to by the responsible authorities.

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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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