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COLBY AND HARVARD.

In view of the fact that in the past few years so many students have left Colby in order to finish their undergraduate work at Harvard, the following letter seems to THE ECHO to be especially timely.

A community in Eastern Massachusetts must be extremely secluded not to be sensible of the touch of old Harvard. To no small extent she rules the training of our high schools; she fixes the aspirations of our young men; her professors bring their learning to our clubs and lyceums; her more celebrated scholars are our standards of culture. Though we never walked her grounds or entered her buildings, we still must breathe in her atmosphere and walk in her light. It is only, however, with the near view, as we note her thousands of students, her great corps of professors, as we explore her libraries, her museums, her laboratories, that in time, and it takes time, a due sense of her greatness is borne in upon us. A city set on a hill is too faint a metaphor by which to describe her.

By the side of this vast institution our college on the Kennebec has a diminutive look, and there may be young men there who are looking wistfully thitherward. It may be proper to say to them that the features of this institution that so dazzle and woo are not surely of essential importance. The essentials to a young man in college are tasks equal to his powers and guidance equal to his needs, and whatsoever is more than these may be pleasant, may be useful, but by no means indispensable, accessory. It may be doubtful if any university could have given John Stuart Mill better training than he received in his father's study; and the institution that educated Judge Appleton, William Pitt Fessenden, Hawthorne, Longfellow, John A. Andrew, was just your neighbor down the river when her numbers were far smaller and her resources far poorer than are yours to-day. Then we should remember that a small institution, like a small community, may enjoy special advantages that are incident to its smallness. And now, passing all general considerations, I will not only affirm that within your lines your training may be as valuable as that at Harvard, but also that there are two features of your situation, very desirable, which are missed at Harvard.

1. You have classes of moderate size, and with them the comradeships and friendships and emulations which they make easily possible. In classes of six or seven hundred, as at Harvard, class acquaintance, and so class interest, is very difficult; while at Harvard the wide extension of the elective system has practically effaced the class altogether. A class at Harvard are merely the body of young men who enter the same year; that they have a class life or a class recognition is not at all implied. If one will know who are members of his class he may perhaps consult the register, he can have hardly other clue. So many of them and travelling in such diverse directions, they have no chance to know one another; and they go forth at the end of four years strangers as they came in.

Now this is regrettable and at Harvard it is regretted. It is a condition that bereaves a young man of a wholesome pleasure and a noble incentive; and prevents the forming of those friendships which, in after years, should consecrate his college in his memory. Were I legislating for a college, instead of annihilat-

ing the class I would tolerate nothing inimical to it; and if my voice might reach the students at Colby, I would say, Look upon your class relation as one of your most valuable privileges, and treat as an enemy whatever influence can in any degree impair it.

2. To Garfield, sitting on a log with Mark Hopkins was attending a university. Better the log on which we had Mark Hopkins wholly to ourselves than the best university in which we only shared his public smile.

The intimate relation of student and professor so easy with you, the Harvard professor sighs for, but cannot attain. He may be the most sympathetic and approachable of men, still the great number of students compels a dealing with them as masses and not as individuals. I was sensible of this some time ago in Professor Shaler's lecture-room where four hundred students sat before him. Of course the lecture was of the best, but from the condition he was necessarily addressing an audience rather than instructing a class. It is only in exceptional instances that a Harvard student becomes really acquainted with a professor. At Colby the student may become intimate with all his professors and carry away assurance that they are his friends. He thus gains a close and lasting relation with high character and severe culture, to a young man unspeakably wholesome.

These features of your situation, duly meditated, may give the student at Colby a realization of privilege, which he hitherto has not appreciated because he has not been denied. From my sense of their importance I cannot doubt of a new interest in the smaller college that may be soon apparent. And it seems to me there are already prophecies of a time when, to realize what Colby so easily enjoys, Old Harvard may gather her students into the Magdalen, Merton, Balliol, Oriel of an American Oxford.

A. W. JACKSON, '69.
Concord, Mass., Nov. 17, 1903.

CONCERT AT OAK GROVE.

The musical organizations gave their first concert of the season in the chapel of Oak Grove Seminary on Friday evening, November 20th. The clubs left the campus in three large teams at about half-past five. Upon their arrival at Oak Grove they were served with cake and coffee in the dining-room of the seminary. The concert was given under the auspices of the Senior class, and everything possible was done for the entertainment of the students.

The first number on the program was given at a little after eight o'clock before an audience which was rather small but quite enthusiastic. The program was, on the whole, well rendered and reflects much credit on the different leaders. The glee club was very good at times, but showed a slight tendency to swerve from the key, a fault easily overcome by a little more practice. Mammy Lou and the Winter Song, were especially good. The mandolin club did very well, but the guitars were out of tune with the mandolins, a matter easily remedied. The vocal quartette showed good promise and was very favorably received, although at times the singers seemed rather uncertain of their notes. As a soloist Mr. Winslow gained great favor with the audience. His voice though not very strong, is well adapted to comic pieces and he made a hit with

his encore, "I'm Not Particular". The individual star of the evening was Mr. Perkins. His rendering of "Jim Wolf and the Cats" brought down the house, and in all his pieces he was enthusiastically applauded. Owing to the illness of the leader, Mr. Tapley, the orchestra did not appear, but in the future this organization will take a prominent part in the evenings entertainment.

The concert was very gratifying to all, as it showed that there is very good material in all the clubs which, with a little more practice, will develop into one of the best musical organizations in Colby's history.

The program as follows:

PART I.

The Passing Regiment.....Macy
The Glee Club.
Any Rags.....Allen
The Mandolin Club.
Reading.....Selected
Mr. Perkins.
Mammy Lou.....Cartwright
The Glee Club.
Vocal Solo.....Selected
Mr. Winslow.
Mandolin Duet.....Aarons
Messrs. Bean and Long.

PART II.

The King a Hunting Goes.....Macy
The Glee Club.
Reading.....Selected
Mr. Perkins.
Fall in March.....Luders
Instrumental Quartette.
Messrs. Bean, Lincoln, Clark and Teague.
Quartette.....Selected
Messrs. Bean, Tapley, Clark & Winslow.
(a) The Message of the Violet.....Luders
(b) Tessie.....Anderson
The Mandolin Club.
Winter Song.....Ballard
The Glee Club.

ALPHA PROVINCE OF PHI DELTA THETA.

The Alpha Province Convention of Phi Delta Theta was held with New York Epsilon at Syracuse N. Y., November 24-27. Extensive preparations had been made by the local chapter and the visitors were given a royal welcome.

Delegates were present from all the chapters in the province besides many alumni and visiting Phis. The programme of the convention was as follows:

Tuesday, 3 P. M. Business Session.
Tuesday evening, "Smoker," New England dinner, and Vaudeville at Candee Hotel, Onondago Valley.
Wednesday, 10-12 A. M. Business Session.
Wednesday, 2 P. M. Convention Pictures.
Wednesday evening, Reception and Dance at Empire Hall.
Thursday, 10-12 A. M. Business Session.
Thursday, 2 P. M. Theatre Party.
Thursday evening, Convention Banquet at the Yates Hotel.

The privileges of the University and Citizens' Clubs were extended to the visiting Phis, and everything was done by the local chapter and Alumni Association to make it a pleasant and profitable convention.

G. D. Coy, '05.

THETA NU EPSILON.

During the past week a branch of Theta Nu Epsilon has been organized at Colby. This is an intercollegiate Sophomore society which was founded at Wesleyan in 1870 and which now numbers about forty local societies. Among the institutions represented are Harvard, Cornell, Amherst, Dartmouth, University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Chicago. A branch was organized at Bowdoin in 1894, and one at the Uni-

versity of Maine a few years later. Theta Nu Epsilon is distinctively a class organization, having for its purpose the bringing together in a social way of the best men of the Sophomore class from the different fraternities and the increasing of the fellow feeling between them, doing away with any tendency to friction. The local branch here is to be known as the Beta Upsilon Chapter.

The following upper-classmen were made honorary members: Eugene Thayer, ex-'03, E. B. Winslow, G. E. Tolman, F. W. Tarbell, H. W. Soule, J. B. Roberts, F. H. Leighton, L. A. Hammond, '04, C. W. Clark, W. Hoyt, A. A. Thompson, H. N. Jones, S. G. Bean, '05.

PARMENTER—ELLIS.

At high noon on Thanksgiving day Miss Martha E. Ellis, became the wife of Professor George F. Parmenter at her home in West Newton, Mass. Miss Ellis is a graduate of Smith College, class of 1900. Her father is a well-known printer and publisher in Boston. Mr. Parmenter is a graduate of Amherst and came to Colby this fall to take charge of the Chemistry department. Rev. J. C. Jaynes, pastor of the West Newton Unitarian Church, officiated at the ceremony. The wedding was a quiet one, only the most intimate friends of the bride and groom being present. Professor and Mrs. Parmenter are now residing in this city at 12 Dalton street.

ALUMNI NOTES.

'89. H. E. Farnham is in charge of the Greek department at Tabor College, Tabor, Iowa.

'95. H. P. Ford has been appointed sub-master of the Hemenway school, one of the best schools in Boston.

'96. Two members of the class of 1896, Richard Collins and C. Benjamin Fuller, entered Harvard Medical school together. Both received degrees after four years of hard work, and both made splendid records while at Harvard. Now after three years of service in hospital and sanatorium, both have opened offices in Waltham, Mass. All success to Dr. Fuller and Dr. Collins.

'96. Cards are out announcing the marriage at Christmas of E. L. Getchell, '96, and Miss Maude A. Johnston of Limerick, Maine. Mr. Getchell is Master of the new Kelley school in Cambridge, one of the largest, and probably the best equipped Grammar school in the city.

'97. B. C. Richardson, Supt. of Schools in Auburn, has been called to Boston as sub-master of the Rice Training school. This school is connected with the Boston Normal school and is in charge of Lincoln Owen, a Colby man, formerly Principal of the Waterville High school.

'98. Clayton K. Brooks, one of the best known of Colby football captains, passed through the city Tuesday afternoon on his way to Bangor. Mr. Brooks is now located in the insurance business in Cambridge, Mass.

'00. Fred Foss Lawrence, who has been studying law and doing newspaper work in Skowhegan since graduating from college, has gone to Boston where he will study at the Boston University law school.

'02. Harry S. Pratt, who has recently assumed the duties of representative of the New England Book Co. in Maine and Canada, has taken desk room with Norman K. Fuller, Esq., and will have his headquarters at Fuller's office.

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To the Alumni we would say a few words. THE ECHO is striving to become the organ of the graduates of the college as it is the organ of the undergraduates. In the column entitled "Alumni Notes" we intend to chronicle your movements and activities, but in order that this may be done, you must co-operate with us, for we are dependent upon you for almost all such news. Surely your interest in the college does not cease upon your graduation. Certainly our interest in you does not end so abruptly: your sorrows are our sorrows, your joys our joys, your successes are incentives to better effort on our part. Let us know where you are and what you are doing. Write to us, whether it be a letter on some subject of interest to the students of the college or a mere notice of change of address. We shall be only too glad to publish such communications. We wish to devote space to you, but you must help us to fill it. Do you wish to keep in touch with your classmates and college friends? How? Subscribe to THE ECHO.

The change in the rules governing the awarding of "O's" seems to us a step in the right direction. There is no question that in the past few years "O's" have been given to men who did not deserve them. For a man who is willing to come out and work hard all the season the conditions are little harder than before, but, in football at least, two advantages have been gained. In the first place, the men who make the team on the first trip, before the captain has had a chance to get a line on the players and who are really not the strongest men for the more important games later are debarred from wearing a letter which they have not really earned; secondly, since the Maine games come late in the season, men who enter college and remain but for a week or two and then leave forever, cannot share the "O" with veterans of four years' standing.

The readers of THE ECHO will be pleased to see an advertisement of "Colby Stories" in this issue. Many are personally acquainted with the editor, Mr. H. C. Libby, and the book itself should be familiar to nearly all. The publishing

of such a work was a tremendous undertaking and the promoters should receive the support of every Colby man. The book came out some time ago, but is still as fresh as ever, and from its nature will always remain so. For the benefit of the underclassmen we might say that "Colby Stories" is, as the name implies, a collection of stories of Colby life written by different graduates of the institution. We would suggest that nothing could be more appropriate for a Christmas gift.

THE ECHO is in receipt of a letter from one of the graduates of the college who is now at the Newton Theological Institution, and we take pleasure in publishing a portion of it. The letter is of special interest as it shows how gratifying are Colby's successes to our alumni wherever they may be.

"We, up this way, have been delighted with the showing of our Colby team this fall. We have seemed more like Sophomores in college than staid, ministerial students, in the enthusiasm with which we read the news that Bates and Bowdoin had succumbed to our boys. We wish the schedule had been a little longer and had included the usual second game with Maine, for we think that Colby has this year the best team in the State. We wish, too, that the usual Brown game could be played a week or two later in the season, for we believe that in the middle of the season this year our team at Colby was just about in Brown's class. There are six of us Colby men here, and we are waiting for spring to come and to chalk up a defeat for Harvard on May 25, 1904."

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ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NOTES.

The third regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Athletic Association was held in Coburn Hall, Saturday, November 21, and a good deal of miscellaneous business was transacted.

The recommendation of the baseball committee that Colby enter the proposed baseball league, if one is formed, was adopted. The financial report of the manager of the baseball team and also that of the tennis manager were accepted and they will appear in the next issue of THE ECHO.

Measures were taken to have Hoyt's name and time engraved on the Faculty cup and to have wooden frames placed behind the basket ball baskets in the gym.

It was voted to extend through the columns of *The Mail* a vote of thanks to the business and professional men of the city who gave the banquet to our football team.

Assistant manager Thompson was instructed to begin negotiations at once with the managers of other football teams in order that a good schedule may be arranged for next year.

A slate of officers for the coming year and a recommendation concerning the granting of "C's" were referred to the general association at its annual meeting, the date of which was placed at December 3.

At the annual meeting of the association on Thursday morning the following changes were made in the rules governing the granting of "C's":

Rule 1 concerning the granting of "C's" to football players, which read—Any man who has played on the Colby football team one whole or two half games with any Maine college team or with teams outside the State exclusive of those of athletic associations, shall be considered a member of the football team and shall be entitled to wear the "C"—was amended so as to read—Any man who has played on the Colby football team against any Maine college team during one whole or two half games coming in the same season, shall be considered a member of the football team and shall be entitled to wear the "C".

Rule 2 regarding the granting of "C's" to baseball players, which read—Any man who has played on the Colby baseball team one game with any Maine college team or with teams outside the State exclusive of those of athletic associations, shall be considered a member of the baseball team and shall be entitled to wear the "C"—was changed so as to read—Any man who has played on the Colby baseball team at least two games with other Maine college teams shall be considered a member of the baseball team and shall be entitled to wear the "C".

A motion was carried that this change should go into effect this season.

The following slate of officers recommended by the Executive Committee was unanimously adopted:

President—A. L. Field.
Secretary—E. C. Lincoln.
Members of the Executive Committee.
From the Alumni—F. W. Alden.
" " Seniors—H. W. Soule, J. S. Tapley, and F. W. Tarbell.
" " Juniors—A. L. Tillson.
" " Sophomores—H. L. Pepper.
" " Freshmen—F. A. Shepherd, and B. F. Jones.

'03. G. W. Thomas has resigned from the *Kennebec Journal*, in order to accept a position in the English department at Hebron.

'03. W. H. Hawes has gone to Portland where he has decided to locate in business.

FACULTY NOTES.

Hereafter at the end of each term every student will specify each course which he is to pursue the following term, whether elective or required. A new form of elective blank will be provided for the purpose. The advisory system as outlined in the catalogue now goes into effect.

The annual examinations for the entrance prizes will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, the fifth and sixth of January.

Junior parts have been awarded to the following: (the names are given in alphabetical order.)

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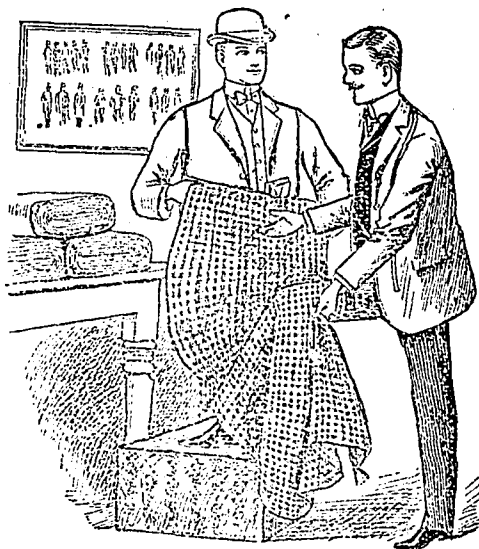
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For catalogue apply to

ALFRED MITCHELL, M.D., Dean,
BRUNSWICK, ME., July 24 1903.

CAMPUS CHAT.

Thomas, '03, was about the "Bricks" yesterday.

Fogg, '00, was a visitor at the "Bricks", Wednesday.

Ryder, '02, visited friends at the "Bricks", Thursday.

Jones, '02, was the guest of friends at the "Bricks," December first.

Blanche Pratt, '02, was in town, visiting Lula Smith, '05, this week.

Judge Bonney, of Portland, was a visitor on the campus Saturday.

Cook, ex-'05, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at the "Bricks."

Ethel Burnham, of Saco, visited Nellie Winslow, '07, a few days last week.

Florence Priest, of East Vassalboro, visited her sister Edith, '07, Monday.

Langdell, ex-'06, is attending the Emerson College of Oratory at Boston.

Clara Martin, '03, was the guest of college friends from Thursday till Saturday.

Christia Donnell, '06, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with friends in Westbrook.

Principal Thomas, of the Higgins Classical Institute, visited the college Tuesday.

Berry, '07, was the guest of his sister, Dean Berry, at the Thanksgiving dinner at Ladies' Hall.

C. C. Harvey, of Fort Fairfield, while in Waterville recently, visited his sister, May Harvey, '05.

Rev. W. D. Plummer, of Hallowell, was the guest of his daughter, Eva, at Ladies' Hall, Monday noon.

The Zetes remembered "Sam" on Thanksgiving day by their customary gift of a fine turkey.

Mary Ward, '04, returned Tuesday night from a week's visit at the home of her brother in Foxcroft.

Elaine Wilson, '06, was a guest at the home of Ruby Carver, '04, in Augusta, from Wednesday till Monday.

Jennie Cochrane, '04, received a short visit from her father, Rev. J. E. Cochrane of Springvale, last week.

At the request of the Harvard manager, the date of the baseball game with Harvard has been changed from May 25 to May 21.

Alice Pinkham, '05, spent a few days of the Thanksgiving recess with Sara Gifford, '05, at the latter's home in North Fairfield.

Coy, '05, returned Saturday from Syracuse, N. Y. where he represented the Maine Alpha chapter at the annual convention of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Lincoln, '06, who went to his home in Hingham, Mass., to spend the Thanksgiving recess and to recover from an attack of the jaundice will be unable to return to college this term.

For the accommodation of those members of the women's division who could not avail themselves of gymnasium work on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, a second class has been organized by Professor Sorenson, which meets at 10:30 on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

At the home of the bride's parents in Boothbay Harbor, Miss Mary S. McKown became the wife of James H. Hudson, Colby, '00, on Wednesday evening, November eleventh. Rev. Geo. A. Martin, Colby '00, of Rumford Falls, performed the ceremony. Mr. Hudson has just graduated from the Harvard Law School and is now at Guilford.

There was a practice game of basketball at the gymnasium, Tuesday evening between the Colby and Fairfield teams. The second team played the first half winning 12 to 10. The first team played the second half and won 21 to 8, making

a total score of 33 to 18. The first team also played a practice game with the Coburn team, Wednesday afternoon.

Many of the students from both divisions spent the Thanksgiving recess at their homes or with friends. For those who remained in the city special dinners were served at the Commons and at Ladies' Hall on Thanksgiving Day. At Ladies' Hall the tables, arranged in a hollow square, looked very attractive with fruit, flowers, and the dainty menus made by Miss Butman, the matron. The students and visitors, twenty-four in all, did ample justice to the bountiful repast. Only seventeen men remained at the Commons. The A. K. E. dining-room was utilized for this occasion. The room and tables were tastefully decorated and a most excellent dinner was enjoyed.

By a rather singular coincidence it happens that three of the Maine college football captains have been re-elected. Bailey of Maine, Reed of Bates and Pugsley of Colby, will all captain their teams again next fall. None of the colleges will lose many men by the graduation of 1904. Maine loses four men, Sawyer, guard, Learned, center, Bean, end and Parker, halfback; Bowdoin two, Beane, end, and captain, and Cox, tackle; Bates four, Cullen, center, Cole, end, Rounds, quarterback, and Briggs, fullback; and Colby three, Roberts, guard, Clark, tackle, and Cowing, full back.

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