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THE BEST GIFT.

An original poem read by Mr Koopman at the banquet of the Boston Colby Alumni Association.

Already had the army of the Greeks,
Soldiers of Fortune's frown, marched forth and back
Two thousand miles, two years of toil and pain.
Sardis, Colossæ, Tarsus, cities marked
For Christian fame; great Nimrod's ancient hold;
Iconium, Phrygia's jewel; Thapsacus,
The spoil of Solomon; the rocky Gates;
The far-sought, fatal Babylonian plain,—
Their hopes and these long since lay far behind.
Later, with sword in hand, the Greeks had pressed
Through what fell passes, o'er what wastes of snow,
Till, suddenly, from the blest Armenian height,
They saw and hailed with tears of joy the sea!
Nor ended here their strife, but followed close
Battle with wilderness and wilder men;
While, these o'erpast, and help of kinsmen due,
Hatred and craft and cruelty still barred
Their way to Grecian soil and wife and child.
To them thus harassed sent the king of Thrace,
Seuthes, the disinherited, seeking aid
In battle to win back his father's throne.
Gladly they heard and freely gave consent.
Seuthes, rejoicing in his new allies,
Bade the Greek generals to his banquet-hall,
There seating them beside his Thracian lords
And foreign envoys; but the highest place,
Next to his own, he gave to Xenophon.
While now the cup went round, a Thracian came,
Leading into the hall a snow-white horse,
And, taking up a brimming horn, he said,
"To you I drink, O Seuthes, and I give
This horse, upon whose back shall you o'er take
Whomso you will, and no pursuer dread."
Another brought a boy, and, giving him,
Drank to the monarch. Following him came one
With costly garments for the queen. Then more,
After the ancient custom of the land,
That so their king might have wherewith to dower
His friends as they should need, offered the king
Rich cups or carpets or like precious gifts.
The turn had now reached Xenophon, who sat
With neither goods nor money, but he rose,
And boldly taking in his hand the horn,
He said, "I give to you, O King, myself!
And these my comrades, all your faithful friends,
All free and glad supporters of your cause.
Behold us now before you, asking naught
But to face toils and dangers for your sake;
And, if the Gods will, by our help shall you
Win not alone the land your father swayed,
But hearts of men and women, who shall throng
To bring you gifts and hail you as their King."
Seuthes arose and shared the pledge; then both
Sprinkled upon their robes the last red drops.
The Greeks upon the morrow took the field;
And Seuthes sat upon his father's throne.

HARRY LYMAN KOOPMAN, '80.

BANQUET OF BOSTON COLBY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-third annual banquet of the Boston Colby Alumni Association took place at the Hotel Brunswick, Friday afternoon, February 14th, at four o'clock. It was the largest and most representative meeting that the Association has ever held.

At four o'clock President F. F. Whittier, '82, with Prof. Matthews, Nestor of the Colby Alumni, led the way to the banquet room. Owing to the fact that the banquet was held at an earlier hour than usual, President White did not arrive until dinner was well under way. He was received by the Alumni with the Colby cheer. It would be hard to find a more enthusiastic body of alumni from any college than that which greeted President Whittier when he arose to introduce the post-prandial exercises.

President Charles L. White gave an account of the many improvements that had been made at the colleges; the rehabilitation of old North College; the proposed improvements upon the gymnasium; and the adapting of the Commons to the needs of the students. He gave a brief account of his trip to California and of the enthusiastic Colby men he met during that trip. He then made a most earnest plea for the loyalty of all those who have graduated from

the institution and asked for their support. He asked that every one of the alumni might unite with the trustees and faculty to the end that the instruction in the college might be improved; that the needs of the college might be met, and that the influence of the college might be extended in every way.

Hon. Dudley P. Bailey was introduced to speak of the life and beneficence of Hon. Chester W. Kingsley, for many years a Trustee of the College. He spoke of his intimate acquaintance with Mr. Kingsley and of his beneficence, of which Colby has received a share. While Mr. Kingsley had never received a college education, yet he had so often felt the need of it, that he devoted a large part of his great fortune to aid in making it possible for boys to secure that which he had so often longed for.

In very neat and fitting terms President Whittier introduced Prof. William Matthews, Colby '32, as one "old in years but young in spirit." Prof. Matthews, although eighty-six years of age, was never in better health than at present and was delighted to be able to attend the meeting. He spoke of his early life at Waterville and said that he was a graduate of two colleges, Colby College and Harvard Law School; while he loved them both equally, he turned a pun by saying that, "if anything, Colby a little more." While he had had a wide experience in educational matters, yet he had always looked upon it as a matter of good fortune that he had graduated at Colby, a small college. He spoke of Webster and his defence of Dartmouth College in a famous speech, and closed with an eloquent toast to Colby and Colby's future.

Prof. Harry L. Koopman, Librarian of Brown University, and a well-known author of many books and poems, was then introduced and read a poem, which will be found in another column.

Rev. C. L. Padelford of the class of '94, spoke very warmly of the benefits which he had derived from the college. He rather deprecated the fact that so many young men were added to the faculty and felt that the impress of older men might be of more benefit in aiding the young men to realize their ideals. He paid a high tribute to Ex-President Small and other members of the faculty of his time.

Mr. Elwood T. Wyman, of the class of '90, Superintendent of Schools of Waterville, was introduced as a representative to the Boston alumni from the Colby Club of Waterville. While Mr. Wyman came for the special purpose of representing the needs of the College in athletics, yet he paid a very high tribute to the character of the work that is being done by the faculty, and the interest of the students and the friendly feeling that prevailed among all who are interested in the College in the vicinity of Waterville. He then laid before the Association the athletic needs of the College and the purpose of the athletic committee to meet these needs. He carefully explained the existing conditions and the intention to move the Commons, thus enlarging the field; building a grand stand; laying out the track and making it in every way the most desirable athletic field in New England. At the close Mr. Wyman was very enthusiastically applauded and given to understand that if the purposes of the athletic association could not be carried out, it would not be for lack of

support on the part of the Boston Alumni.

Prof. W. H. Snyder of Worcester Academy was introduced as one of the new Trustees. Mr. Snyder spoke of the comparative merits of the small college and the larger universities. The multiplication of elective courses is very extensive and while the larger colleges offer a greater number of excellent elective courses, yet, on the other hand, they are not so well supplied with teachers. It is far better for a college to maintain fewer electives with better appliances, and with greater regard for work on the part of the student. He held that the most important feature in a college course was to secure painstaking, intelligent and thorough work on the part of the student. This can be done far better in a small college.

Mr. J. Colby Basset of Colby '96, made the most eloquent speech of the evening. He made a plea for the acceptance of the spirit of the times and believed that differences of opinion should be kept out of sight in order that at our Association meeting we might all gather together with one common spirit. He told several very interesting stories of college life, and one showing particularly what is called the Dartmouth spirit. He said that in one of the South Sea Islands two white men who were exploring, met and after a time found out that they were both graduates of Dartmouth. Right then and there they united their voices in a cheer for Dartmouth, closing with the college yell. He pleaded for such a spirit on the part of the Colby men and believed that the time was near at hand when such would be the case.

The holding of a meeting on a holiday, February 22d, was regarded as a success because of the very large number of the alumni present. It is thought that next year a large delegation may be present from the faculty, from the under-graduates, and from the Colby Clubs of Waterville, Portland, and New York.

Chairman Clarence P. Weston, '72, then reported for the committee the following nominations for the ensuing year:

Gustavus I. Peavy, president; Jeremiah E. Burke and William C. Crawford, vice presidents; Merle S. Getchell, secretary-treasurer, and Everett G. Getchell, Allen P. Soule, Emery B. Gibbs, Herbert S. Weaver, Rev. Edward F. Merriam, Harry A. Smith, Clarence P. Weston, Arthur H. Berry, Everett Flood, Lincoln Owen, Harry W. Dunn and Alfred I. Noble, members of the executive committee.

D. U. RIDE.

The annual ride of the Delta Upsilon fraternity took place on Tuesday evening, Feb. 23rd. It is a common saying that affairs of this kind once postponed are never great successes; but this case certainly proved an exception to the rule. Not even the perilous condition of the roads served to dampen the ardor of the young enthusiasts. To be sure, the usual accident occurred, as one of the sleighs was completely upset, greatly to the delight of the spectators and in fact of those more directly concerned. However, all arrived safely at the Salmon Lake House shortly after eight o'clock, and a chicken supper was at once served.

After this part of the program was completed the time was spent very enjoyably in playing games and dancing until about an hour before the time for

departure, when all assembled in one room and started up the good old fraternity songs which were interspersed with others of the usual college type.

The one thing which marred the pleasure of the occasion, and for which everyone was sincerely sorry, was the misunderstanding which prevented the presence of our chaperones, Dr. and Mrs. Marquardt.

G. W. S., '05.

"A NIGHT OFF."

After long delay the management of the Dramatic Club has chosen the play which is to be presented this season. Choice has fallen upon "A Night Off," one of Austin Daly's comedies, which he translated from the German of Schöthan Brothers. The comedy was first produced in this country about ten years ago at Daly's Theatre. In the original cast there were several actors who have since made great names for themselves. Among these were Otis Skinner, John Drew, Mrs. Gilbert, Ada Rehan and May Irwin. The play has always been a great favorite in amateur dramatic circles, and has proved a decided success as presented by several of the leading amateur dramatic clubs of the country. "A Night Off" has recently been given by the Cap and Bells society at Williams College.

Full assignments have not been made as yet but a preliminary cast of characters (subject to change without notice) is given below. Rehearsals are to begin at an early date, and the play will probably be given near the close of the term.

THE CAST.

Prof. Marshall, a professor and amateur playwright, Tapley, '04
Leander Medony, a professional actor, Winslow, '04
Dr. Harold Watson, the professor's son-in-law, W. J. Hammond, '05
Mr. Harwood, an elderly gentleman, Allen Clarke, '04
Earnest Harwood, his scape-grace son, Leighton, '04
Mrs. Marshall, the professor's amiable wife, Bean, '05
Louise Marshall, his conspiring daughter, Lincoln, '06
Matilda, a maid—romantic, C. R. Bryant, '04
Ada, the doctor's suspicious young wife, L. L. Ross, '06

TO THE MEN OF 1906.

The men of 1905 do hereby acknowledge the challenge of 1906 to a joint debate. But in as much as it is contrary to college etiquette and tradition to accept such a challenge from an underclass, the class of 1905 decline to accept this challenge. But, nevertheless, the men of 1905 consider it a worthy suggestion on the part of 1906 to revive the old custom of class debates and accordingly do issue a challenge on their part to the men of 1906 to such a debate.

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'57. Died, Feb. 5, at Hanover, Indiana, Prof. Frank Lyford Morse. Prof. Morse was born in Fayette, Sept. 15, 1820. He received the degree of A. B. from Waterville College in 1857 and the degree of A. M. in 1865. After his graduation he taught in high schools and academies in Kentucky and Indiana and in 1876 was called to the chair of Mathematics in Hanover College, Hanover, Ind. In 1900 on account of failing health Prof. Morse was relieved from the active duties of his professorship.

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The dramatic club has at last succeeded in selecting a play and active operations will begin at once. It seemed at one time that this organization would suffer the same fate as the Glee Club but all are pleased at its recovery. The college play has come to be an important feature in the activities of the winter term and justly so. The value of a good play lies not only in the pleasure which its production gives to the audience but also in the training through which the players must pass. And there is another side. To accomplish the best results, a college can not remain wrapped up entirely in itself. It must appear before the community in which it is situated and the world at large and the better the guise in which this appearance is made the better the impression which is created. Since the demise of the glee club and the basketball team there have been few opportunities for persons outside the college to come in contact with us, and a well rendered play can be made to show the abilities of a student and certain phases of his academic training as well as if not better than a declamation or reading. For, looking at a play from one point of view, what is it but a series of declamations in which the speaker is compelled not only to study his delivery and gestures but to make himself a part of what he says as well?

All preparations have been completed by the Colby Club and it can definitely be announced that the next issue of the Echo will come out under their direction.

DELTA Upsilon "SMOKER."

The annual banquet and "Smoker" of the New England Delta Upsilon club was held at the hotel Brunswick, last Friday evening. Over seventy-five members were present representing nearly all of the Eastern colleges. Colby was represented by A. P. Soule, '79, M. S. Getchell, '98, C. E. Dow, '00, E. C. Herriok, '08, M. H. Long, '02, and H. W. Soule, '04.

An innovation was tried in serving a collation instead of the customary banquet and the occasion was thus made delightfully informal. In the preliminary business meeting La Rue

Vredenburg, was reelected to the presidency. The honorary vice presidents are President W. H. P. Faunce of Brown, J. E. Burke, Colby, '84; J. F. Rhodes, New York University, and Theobald Smith, Cornell. The other officers are Guy H. Holliday, Harvard, '89, vice president; Everett L. Getchell, Colby, '96, secretary; Wilton L. Currier, Harvard, '89, Nathan A. Tufts, Brown, '00, Joseph N. Cowles, Cornell, '90, A. P. Bates, M. I. T., '94, A. H. Shearer, Rutgers, '99, and E. H. Baxter, Middlebury, '76, executive committee.

When the collation had been served, cigars were lighted and with Pres. Vredenburg as toastmaster the most enjoyable part of the evening was begun. Very interesting responses were made by Col. Alfred Gleason, C. L. Edgar, Fletcher B. Wagner of the Harvard Law School, Arthur Pope and Mr. Macy of The Youth's Companion. Strong delegations from Harvard and Brown University and Tufts College were present and speeches were made by members of each. Mr. Charles A. Williams gave a number of humorous readings and several solos were finely rendered by Mr. Watkins of the Tufts Glee Club. The evening was brought to a close by a song and the Delta Upsilon yell.

The recent action of the Athletic Board of Brown University in deciding that hereafter a man shall not be debarred from playing on the college teams because of "professionalism" is creating quite a sensation in college and athletic circles. While many admit that the present eligibility rules are not ideal, there seems to be a strong sentiment against the stand taken by the Brown authorities. On the other hand a few voices are heard in approval. The college itself is much stirred over the incident, and the outcome is at present doubtful.

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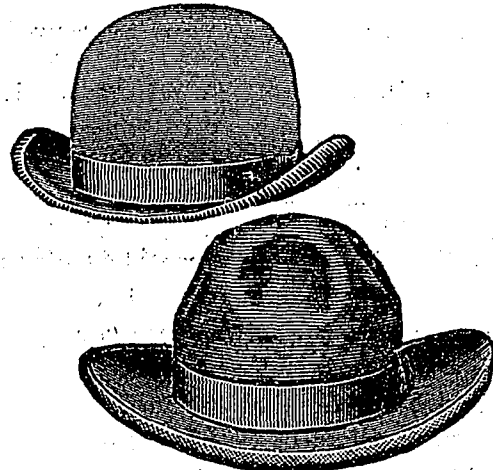
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The regular monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Athletic Association was held in Coburn Hall, last Saturday afternoon.

A. L. Tillson '05 was chosen Assistant Manager of the baseball team and W. A. Cowing, '04, Captain.

The following baseball schedule was adopted, subject to the approval of the faculty:

Thursday, April 28 (Fast Day), Lewiston Athletics at Waterville.

Saturday, April 30, Williston Seminary at Easthampton.

Monday, May 2, Amherst at Amherst.

Tuesday, May 3, Massachusetts State at Amherst.

Wednesday, May 4, Williams at Williamstown.

Saturday, May 7, Open.

Monday, May 9, Tufts at Waterville.

Wednesday, May 11, Maine at Waterville.

Saturday, May 14, Open (Track Meet).

Wednesday, May 18, Bowdoin at Brunswick.

Saturday, May 21, Harvard at Cambridge.

Tuesday, May 24, Maine at Orono.

Saturday, May 28, Bowdoin at Waterville.

Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day) forenoon game, Portland at Waterville.

Saturday, June 4, Bates at Lewiston.

Wednesday, June 8, Open.

Saturday, June 11, Bates at Waterville.

The assistant manager was instructed to confer at once with the fitting schools in regard to the games for the championship of the Junior League, to take place on May 6 and 7.

A committee consisting of A. L. Tillson, H. W. Soule and J. S. Tapley was appointed to investigate the financial condition of the Dramatic Club and to make recommendation to the Finance committee as to the advisability of giving the Dramatic Club the backing of the Association.

SOPHOMORE OUTING AT AUGUSTA.

The men's division of 1906 desired to celebrate Washington's Birthday in a manner suited to the memory of the father of his country and so resolved on an outing and banquet at Augusta. A part of the class left Waterville at 2.30 Monday afternoon and, on arriving at the capital, spent the remainder of the afternoon in a visit to the Soldiers' Home at Togus and an inspection of the State House.

The rest of the party reached Augusta about 7.30 and were met at the station by earlier arrivals. The company then proceeded to the Coney House, where two hours were pleasantly spent in the commodious billiard-room.

Promptly at 10 o'clock supper was announced and the class gathered about the tables to partake of a most appetizing meal. When the last course had been removed and cigars were sending up their 'clouds' of fragrant smoke, Fenwick L. Holmes, as toastmaster, introduced the following toasts, which were interspersed with class and college songs:

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George Washington
Track Work
What 1906 Can Do for Colby
Colby Girls
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What 1906 Can Do for the Freshmen

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Lincoln.
Stevens.
Jones.
Pepper.
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Shortly before one o'clock the party bade farewell to their hospitable landlord and took the Pullman for Waterville. A last cheer for 1906 was given in front of South College, and then the happy company dispersed. C. P. O. '06.

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Brunswick, Me., July 24, 1903.

CAMPUS CHAT.

Pres. White visited Hebron Academy, Monday.

Grant, '07, spent Sunday at his home in Freedom.

Hathaway, '02, was on the campus, Wednesday.

Cox, Bowdoin's baseball pitcher, was in town over Sunday.

Prof. Hatch led the Y. M. C. A. meeting, Tuesday evening.

Miss Fuller, '06, was able to resume her college work this week.

Rev. A. B. Lorimer was present at chapel, Wednesday morning.

Frye, '05, has been spending a few days with friends in LaMoine.

Miss Jones, ex-'06, has been paying a brief visit to friends in this city.

Jones, '06, returned Tuesday from a short visit to his home in North Windsor.

Miss Kennison, '06, was the guest of Miss Wilson, '06, at supper, Wednesday evening.

The basket-ball squad sat for their pictures at Preble's studio, Wednesday afternoon.

Masterman, '07, has been obliged to leave college for the present on account of his eyes.

Perkins, '04, has been nominated for Councilman from Ward 4 on the Republican ticket.

Miss Richardson, '05, was the guest of Miss Keen, at the latter's home on Myrtle street, Sunday.

Hammond, '05, passed Sunday and Washington's birthday at his home at Berlin Falls, N. H.

Prof. Black has returned from Baltimore, Md., and work in his classes was resumed on Tuesday.

Miss Emory, '07, returned, Monday from a visit of more than a week at her home in Norridgewock.

C. E. F. Stetson, an official on the B. and A. R. R., visited his son, Stetson, '07, the first of the week.

Miss Pinkham, '05, returned Tuesday morning from a short visit with Miss Howard, '05, in Winslow.

Miss Carver, '04, and Miss Wilson, '06, spent Sunday and Monday at Miss Carver's home in Augusta.

On Monday evening Miss Moor, '05, entertained a party of college friends at her home on Center street.

Dodge, '06, who has been ill at his home in Damariscotta for the past two weeks, has returned to college.

Miss Lamb and Miss Smith, '05, went to Bowdoin last Friday to attend the house-party of the D. K. E. fraternity.

Rev. F. M. Preble, '81, now pastor at the Court Street Baptist church, Auburn, led chapel exercises, Wednesday morning.

C. W. Hawksworth, a member of the senior class at Bangor Theological Seminary, visited friends at the "Bricks," Monday.

On the afternoon of Feb. 22d, an informal dance participated in by many members of the College was held in Thayer's Hall.

An interesting report of the recent New England convention at Holyoke was given by Miss Clement, '04, at the regular Y. W. C. A. meeting last week.

The annual meeting of the Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Association will be held at Orono tomorrow. Colby will be represented by Hammond and Cotton, '05.

Misses Cleveland and Carver, '04, Gifford and Howard, '05, Wilson, Plummer, and Weston, '06, Priest, Fossett, Hall, Tyler, Cook, Bassett, and Archer, '07, were among those who spent Sunday and Monday out of town.

A special initiation of the Beta Phi fraternity was held in their fraternity hall, Wednesday evening. The initiates were Miss Purinton, '06, and Miss Bassett, '07.

Miss Ethel S. Osgood of Portland, a member of the staff of the *Portland Express* visited Dean Berry from Saturday until Tuesday. Miss Osgood was a friend of Miss Berry's at Mt. Holyoke.

A meeting of the junior class was held after chapel, Thursday morning. The committee on the "prom" was increased to five members by the addition of Bean and Miss Smith. H. N. Jones was elected presenter of class gifts in place of Walker who has not returned to college. It was voted to issue a challenge to the sophomore class to a joint debate. The challenge already issued by the sophomores was ignored owing to the impropriety of an under class challenging an upper class.

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