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LETTER FROM EX-PRESIDENT ROBINS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ECHO—Sir:

Returning in imagination (since so only can I now revisit old scenes,) to Waterville and the college, I miss the once familiar faces of those with whom I was in former days associated. Dr. Smith is enjoying a well-earned release from the work of teaching. Professors Lyford, Foster, and more recently, the lamented Elder, have been retired by death. Professor Warren has resigned the professorship he so long adorned. If the opportunity served, I would be glad to put on record my appreciation of the work of these men. With unstinting devotion they wrought for the welfare of the college.

Professor Taylor, fortunately for Colby, is still giving to the institution which nurtured him the benefit of his accurate scholarship and his skill as an instructor.

Professor Hall continues to serve the Library, of which he may be said to be, in some sort, the father. He early perceived the indispensable relation of a Library to the work of a college, in dispensable alike to instructor and student. He has successfully sought additions to its alcoves, has facilitated access to them by those who would use the treasures stored in them, and has stimulated the students to add to the fundamental discipline of the classroom that wider culture which comes from familiarity with the best authors, dead and living.

It is a source of great gratification to those who love Colby, and rejoice in her prosperity, that the new men who fill the chairs vacated by those who were teaching in my day, and others who have been added to the teaching force in new departments, are meeting with devotion and efficiency the larger demands made upon the colleges of the country in our time. It is especially gratifying that President White recognizes with fullest sympathy the remarkable awakening among educators to the supreme importance of lofty moral, coupled with high intellectual, ideals in education. It goes without saying that the quality of the social, intellectual, and moral climate in which a young man passes four years of the formative period of his life will largely determine the quality of his manhood, and the kind of influence which he will exert in society when he goes out to act his part in its various activities. The personality of the instructor, in its turn, determines what the climate of an institution will be, and this fact lays a heavy and difficult task upon those who teach,—a task which cannot be discharged in a day, nor without the constant expenditure of vital energy. We are glad to believe that the Faculty of our college are willing to pay the price. Our college, we say. Having relieved itself of the misleading designation, university, it gives itself to the more important, if we may speak comparatively, task of realizing the true ideal of a college. What that ideal is is admirably suggested by its editor in an article appearing in the *New York Tribune Weekly Review*, of February 27th, entitled "The Cost of Electives." He calls attention to the enormous expenditure required by an institution which attempts to meet the demands of the system, and points out that for the majority of our institutions such ex-

penditures are not possible, nor desirable. He then asks the question, "Is there any dignified and permanent field for the college which cannot command the resources required by the university?" He answers his question in the affirmative, contending that the true function of the college, as distinguished from the university, "must be to do a few things better than others do them," and that "the college which succeeds in this has an honorable and even brilliant future." "There is," he adds, "ready to welcome and support it a constituency with a qualitative rather than a quantitative standard of culture."

Now it is understood that this is precisely the aim of Colby College. So far as it succeeds in realizing this ideal, its future will be what its most ardent friends desire.

HENRY E. ROBINS.

Rochester, N. Y., March 11, 1904.

"A NIGHT OFF."

The Dramatic Club in the play, "A Night Off," presented Thursday evening at the City Opera House, scored a magnificent success. Every member of the cast had worked hard to make the play a meritorious one, and that they had succeeded admirably was the unanimous verdict of the large and appreciative audience.

The plot was the old story of a thread of apparently innocent deception, which, becoming tangled through feminine curiosity and suspicion, is finally unravelled to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Prof. Martin Marshall (John S. Tapley), when a college boy, wrote a Greek tragedy, which lay for years in his desk forgotten. It comes to the notice of Leander Medony (E. B. Winslow), a theatrical manager, who begs the professor to allow him to produce it. The latter is in sore financial straits and consents; but desires to keep the matter a secret from Mrs. Sarah Marshall, his wife (Harry C. Bonney), who has a mind of her own and speaks it without stint. On the night the play is produced, the members of the household resort to strategy to escape the watchfulness of Mrs. Marshall, and go to the play. This meets with difficulties in the second act, but winds up as a grand success. Around this main plot is woven the suspicion Mrs. Ada Watson (L. L. Ross), a daughter of the professor, has, as to her husband's early years, and the reconciliation of the prodigal Ernest Harwood (F. H. Leighton) with his father, Charles Harwood (Allen Clark). Young Harwood makes good progress in the good graces of Louise Marshall (E. C. Lincoln) and all ends happily for the young people.

The leading part, that of the professor, was well filled by John S. Tapley. The poor, hen-pecked man of letters, with a penchant for writing plays, excited pity and mirth by turns.

Edward B. Winslow as Leander Medony, the barn-storming actor, had a theatrical swagger that was a delight to see. He handled the difficult part assigned him with a skill that would have done credit to a professional.

Walter J. Hammond, as Dr. Harold Watson, was the master of several important situations, and handled them admirably. Between soothing his wife's suspicions and keeping his mother-in-law's anger at a safe temperature, he had a part full of difficulties, but suc-

ceeded in putting a quiet touch of humor into every situation.

Frank H. Leighton, as Ernest Harwood, did some excellent work, and proved a worthy lover of the willowy Louise Marshall. His naturalness was a marked feature of his work.

Allen Clark, as Charles Harwood, added some fine touches to the piece. Particularly funny was the forcible way in which he brought the professor's theatre-going days to the latter's recollection.

The female parts were excellent. Harry C. Bonney, who appeared in the role of the professor's shrewish wife, had a difficult part, even for a professional. He put a lot of vim into it, however, and made a most excellent mother-in-law, according to the accepted standards.

Elliott C. Lincoln, as Louise, the professor's unmarried daughter, was "delightfully feminine," and played the languid beauty to perfection. The confusion of Louis when she discovers the all-too-plain significance of the cards, as they arrange themselves while she is telling young Harwood's fortune, was one of the best bits of individual work of the piece.

Linwood L. Ross, as Mrs. Ada Watson, came in for a large share of commendation, as the suspicious and forgiving wife of Dr. Watson.

Matilda, the maid, was a part well taken by Carl R. Bryant, whose simulation of romantic tears, and patient industry in keeping informed concerning the affairs of the household won many a laugh.

The song specialty of E. B. Winslow between the second and third acts, made a decided hit. The local "grinds" were received with appreciative laughter and applause. He was several times recalled.

Particularly worthy of praise was the stringed quartette, consisting of S. G. Bean and M. B. Mower, first mandolins; C. E. Jewell, second mandolin; C. W. Clark, guitar.

Congratulations are being received from all sides for the pronounced success that was achieved, both from the histrionic and the financial standpoint.

GIFT OF DR. MATHEWS.

During past years our library has received many donations and the most prominent benefactor has been Dr. Mathews, class of '35, who has recently added to his already numerous gifts by the donation of a collection of some 200 volumes, together with a fine black walnut bookcase. The volumes are bound in the most choice manner, many in polished calf, and are especially well selected for a college library. Among them may be mentioned: A 6-volume set of Chaucer's works edited by Richard Morris; Dean Swift's complete works edited by Thomas Roscoe; Vaughn's "Revolutions in English History," 3 volumes; Memoirs of Alfred Tennyson by his son; 10 volumes on French literature, Browne's "Chaucer's England"; 21 volumes of the *Retropective Review*.

'70. Mr. Harrington Putnam is to speak on "The Admiralty Bar" in a course of public lectures on the practice of law, to be given at Columbia University. Among the speakers in this course are some of the most eminent legal specialists in New York.

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Books published: Parliamentary Precedents, House of Representatives 1900. Manual and Digest 1879-1904.

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Office: Master Newton High School, Newtonville, Mass.

Employments: Principal Derby Academy, Derby, Vt., 1878-1888. Principal Wareham High School, Wareham, Mass., 1888-1891. Science Master Tabor Academy, Marion, Mass., 1891-1893. Science Master High School, Salem, Mass., 1893-1897. Master, High School, City of Newton, Mass., 1897—.

WARREN C. PHILBROOK, Waterville, Me. Class of 1882.

Occupation: Lawyer.

Offices: Judge of Municipal Court, City of Waterville, 1892-1897. Member of the Maine Legislature sessions of 1897

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Vacation is at hand and students will soon return home for the last time before the close of the college year. Now is the time to get men started towards Colby. Every student should endeavor to find out whether any boys from his home town or vicinity are planning to go to college next fall. If any are so planning, he should make a point of seeing them and strive to interest them in Colby. Most fellows decide upon the college which they will enter before they graduate from the "prep" school and the summer vacation is often too late to begin to interest a man in our college. During the spring term there are many activities, such as baseball, track and, above all, Commencement, which he could invite "prep" school men to attend as his guest. Such a visit will do more than anything else to turn a man towards Colby, for he will see Colby as she is and that is more effective than any description.

THE CONFERENCE BOARD.

Wednesday morning after chapel Pres. White announced to the men of the college that it had been decided advisable to re-establish the old Conference Board. He said that the Board had power to change the old constitution and that the Trustees were willing to entertain any recommendation or change in name that the Board might wish to make. His announcement was heartily welcomed by the students and several members were at once elected. According to the old constitution the Conference Board is made up as follows: one member from each of the four dormitory divisions, and one from the students living in town who do not live in the dormitories; thus making nine men from the student body. The Faculty is represented by two members besides the President, who is, ex-officio, chairman of the Board.

The members from the faculty are President White and Professor Roberts and White; from the classes: senior, Roberts; junior, Maxfield; sophomore, Chipman; freshman, Jones; from the dormitory divisions: north, C. H. Soule; south, C. H. Cotton; north, S. C. Pagsley; south, S. C. Winslow. The representative of students living in the city is yet to be elected. This board will meet and organize Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the President's office.

In a later issue we hope to publish in full the revised constitution of the board.

'83. Died at Maumee, Ohio, Feb. 8, 1904, Daniel P. Cook, aged 90 years and 7 months. After his graduation from Waterville College Mr. Cook studied law at Harvard. He was admitted to the bar of Ohio in 1836. While continuing the practice of law, he became largely interested in real estate and in connection with R. B. Mitchell founded in 1860 the banking house of Cook and Mitchell. In his various enterprises he was notably successful.

Nominations for Alumni Trustees.

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and 1899. Mayor of Waterville, 1899 and 1900.

Employments: Teacher Farmington Normal School, 1883. Principal Waterville High School, 1884-1887. Waterville Board of Education. Since 1887, Legal pursuits.

Publications: "Oration at Centennial of Waterville," 1902. Memorial and Political Addresses. Addresses before Educational and Fraternal Societies, etc.

THOMAS P. PUTNAM, Houlton, Me. Class of 1884.

Occupation: Lawyer.

Employments: Admitted to Aroostook Bar in 1891. Treasurer of Houlton, 1894, 1895, 1896. Chairman of Board of Selectmen and Assessors, 1897 to present time.

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Employments: Principal Grammar School, Danvers, Mass., 1880. Principal High School, Oakland, Me., 1881-1883. Principal High School, Dexter, Me., 1883-1884. Superintendent of Schools, Hingham, Mass., 1884-1887. New England Agent Ivison, Blakeman & Company, 1887-1888. New England Agent A. S. Barnes & Company, 1888-1890. New England Agent American Book Company, 1890 to present time.

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Employments: Teaching, private medical practice and Hospital work.

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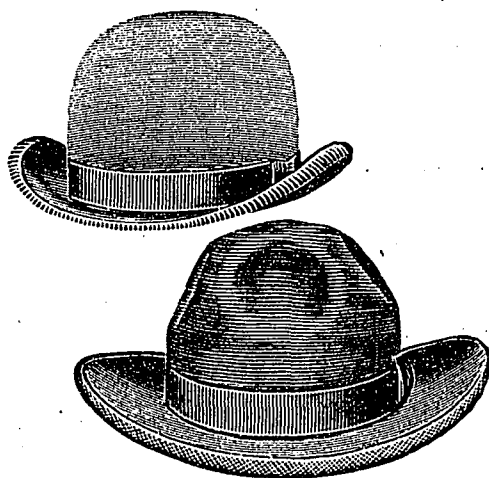
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CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The small crowd which assembled in the Gym, Saturday evening, to watch the inter-class basket-ball games were well rewarded in seeing 1907 carry off two games as hotly contested as any that have been played here this winter.

The first game was between '04 and '05, and, while '04 was not in the running, they are to be congratulated on the spirit they showed in helping to make the evening a success. The game had many laughable features and proved a good preliminary to the two closer games which followed. C. Bryant played a good game for '04 but was well covered by H. Bryant.

The summary :

1905.	1904.
Pugsley (Jones), lf	rb, Tolman
Cotton, rf	lb, Tarbell
Joy (Flood), c	c, Wood
H. Bryant, lb	rf, C. Bryant
Hall, rb	lf, Ames

Score—1905, 19 : 1904, 3. Goals from floor—Cotton, Pugsley 3, Flood, Jones, Wood. Goals from fouls—H. Bryant, C. Bryant. Fouls made by—Wood, Tarbell, Tolman 2, Cotton, H. Bryant, Jones. Referee, Newman. Timer, Smart. Time, 15 and 10.

The second game was between the freshmen and '06 who were considered by most to be easy winners for the evening. But John had shaved off his side-whiskers and he couldn't get a goal. The freshmen scored five times, chiefly on difficult shots, while 2 was the best that '06 could do and the final score was 12 to 7.

The summary :

1907.	1906.
Peterson, lf	rb, Kennison
Tilton, rf	lb, Meader
Thompson, c	c, Coombs
Morse, lb	rf, Spencer
DeWitt, rb	lf, Willey

Score—1907, 12 : 1906, 7. Goals from floor—Thompson, Morse, Tilton 2, Peterson, Willey, Spencer. Goals from fouls—Coombs 3, Tilton 2. Fouls made by—Willey 3, Tilton, Spencer, Kennison, Peterson, DeWitt 2. Referee, Newman. Timer, Smart. Time, 15 and 10.

Then the two winners came together for the final game. Two lucky goals put the juniors in the lead which they retained throughout the first half which ended 4 to 1 in their favor. In this half a misinterpretation of the rules gave the freshmen an extra point, making it 4 to 2. When the second half began it was plain that both teams were the worse for wear. The juniors, although they had had the easier preliminary game, were the worse affected and took a very bad slump about the middle of the half. At the end they picked up and missed several goals by very narrow margins, but it was too late and the score stood 8 to 5 against them. All the freshmen played well and showed good team work, while for the juniors Bryant played the best game.

The summary :

1905.	1907.
Pugsley, lf	rb, DeWitt
Cotton, rf	lb, Morse
Joy, c	c, Thompson
Bryant, lb	rf, Tilton
Hall, rb	lf, Peterson

Score—1907, 8 : 1905, 5. Goals from floor—Hall 2, Peterson, Thompson, Morse. Goals from fouls—Tilton, Bryant. Point for interference, '07, J. Referee, Lewis. Timer, Smart. Scorer Warren. Time, 15 and 10.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NOTES

The last meeting of the Executive Committee of the Athletic Association for the winter term was held in Coburn Hall, Saturday afternoon.

The committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Dramatic Club advised the association to give the club its financial backing in the presentation of "A Night Off."

The following men were granted the right to wear a basket-ball "O": Cowing, C. Bryant, Spencer, McVane, Coombs.

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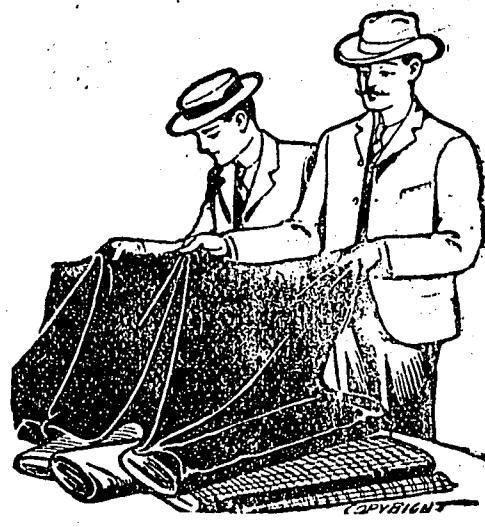
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BRUNSWICK, ME., July 24, 1903.

CAMPUS CHAT.

Miss Smith, '05, is ill with tonsillitis. College will close next Tuesday evening, March 22.

Prof. Roberts lectured at Wilton Tuesday evening.

Percy Andrews, '01, took dinner at the Commons, Wednesday.

Coombs, '06, who has been seriously ill the past week, is convalescing.

Prof. Parmenter was unable to attend his classes on Tuesday on account of illness.

Miss Ethel Townsend has been visiting her sister since Thursday of last week.

Miss Norton, '06, resumed attendance at recitations, Tuesday, after an attack of the grip.

Miss Taylor of Farmington Normal School visited Miss Emory, '07, Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. Marquardt sailed, Tuesday, for Germany, where he was called on business matters.

The freshmen have elected Betts as captain, and Smart as manager, of the class track team.

Maine Alpha Chapter of F. A. O. celebrated their annual alumni night at their hall, Tuesday evening.

Miss Dora Shaw of Houlton, a student at Bates, paid a brief visit to Miss Smith, '05, last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Warren and daughter, Miss Grace Warren, '03, of North Sebago, are visiting friends in town this week.

Miss Holway, '06, has closed her term of school in Fairfield and returned to Waterville. She will resume her studies next term.

Miss Clement, '04, Miss Caswell, '04, Miss Lamb, '05, Miss Nead, '07, and Miss Morrisette, '07, are among the victims of the grip this week.

Monday night the Kappa Alpha girls were very pleasantly entertained by Miss Caswell. The evening was spent in a way very typical of Kappa Alphas.

Dean Berry has so far recovered from her recent illness that she is able to go out a little each day, though she is still unable to attend to her regular duties.

There was a good attendance at Bean's dancing class assembly, last Monday evening. The next assembly will be held next Tuesday evening at Thayer's hall.

Among the guests of the past week at Ladies' Hall have been, Miss Cochrane, '04, Miss Lakin, '05, Miss Lowe, '05, Miss Bowler, '07, Miss Helen Hanson and Miss Florence Hall of Coburn.

Miss Harthorne, '07, who has been absent from college the greater part of the winter term on account of illness in her home, is in town this week. Miss Harthorne does not expect to return to college next term.

The apparatus has been moved away from the front doors of the gymnasium so that they can be used. These doors have been closed for a number of years and those using the gymnasium have been obliged to use the back door.

The 1906 Record has made its appearance for the second time this term. The sophomores this year evidently are not going to wait for a freshman reading to publish their "war cries," but are publishing them the year round under a different name.

With the diamond and track a hopeless mixture of snow, ice and mud, and tennis courts floored over with not less than four inches of ice the prospect of getting out of doors in the near future for baseball, track work, and tennis looks very unpromising.

At the annual business meeting of the Y. W. C. A. at Ladies' Hall, Thursday evening, March 10, the following officers

were elected for the ensuing year: President, Sarah E. Gifford, '05; Vice-President, Lucy Mr. Whenman, '06; Secretary, Bertha M. Robinson, '07; Treasurer, Ethel L. Howard, '05.

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