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## INTER-CLASS MEET.

### Rules to Govern the Awarding of the Shannon Athletic Cup.

#### RULE I.

The cup shall be awarded to that class of Colby University which shall be champion from one Field meeting of the Athletic Association to the next one.

#### RULE II.

Section 1. That class shall be champion which shall win the greatest number of points.

Section 2. Points shall be counted as follows: For first place, five points; for second place, three points; and for third place, one point.

Section 3. The name of the class winning the greatest number of points and the date of the meeting shall be inscribed on the cup.

Section 4. The cup shall be kept in the library and the class colors of the champions may be tied upon the cup, and allowed to remain thereon until the class loses the championship.

Section 5. In case a tie occurs between classes securing the highest number of points that class shall be declared the champion which shall have taken the greatest number of first places in the events of the meet.

#### RULE III.

Section 1. In order to make the competition a creditable contest, the following times and distances have been set as the lowest times and shortest distances which a competitor must make in order to take a place:

Limits: 100 yard dash, 12 seconds; 220 yard dash, 26 seconds; 440 yard run, 63 seconds; 880 yard run, 2 minutes, 30 seconds; 1 mile run, 6 minutes; 2 mile run, 13 minutes; hurdle race, 120 yards, (10 hurdles, 3 ft., 7 in.), 22 seconds; hurdle race, 220 yards, (10 hurdles, 2 ft., 7 in.), 32 seconds; running high jump, 4 ft., 9 in.; running broad jump, 18 ft.; pole vaulting, 7 ft., 10 in.; putting 16 lbs. shot, 29 ft.; throwing 16 lbs. hammer, 70 ft.

Section 2. These limits are subject to change upon recommendation of the executive committee of the Association.

#### RULE IV.

All disputes in regard to the possession of the cup shall be referred to the executive committee for settlement.

#### RULE V.

These rules shall be subject to change at any time by the executive committee of the Association.

#### ORDER OF EVENTS.

The events of the class day meet will be run off as nearly as possible in accordance with the prescribed order for the inter-collegiate meet.

1. 100 yard dash, trial heats.
2. Putting 16 pound shot.
3. One mile run.
4. Throwing 16 pound hammer.
5. 440 yard dash.
6. Throwing discus.
7. 100 yards final.
8. Running high jump.
9. 120 yard hurdle.
10. 880 yard run.
11. Running broad jump.
12. 220 yard dash.
13. Two mile run.
14. 220 yard hurdle.
15. Pole vault.

## OFFICIALS.

Marshall—W. J. Hammond, '05.  
Starter—Prof. Sorensen.  
Clerk of Course—H. N. Jones, '05.  
Announcer—W. S. Stevens, '06.  
Referee—A. Clark, '04.  
Timers—E. C. Rice, '01; Prof. Beck.  
Judges at Finish—H. Pratt, '02; Prof. Hedman.

Judges of fixed events—Prof. Parmenter; R. L. Hall, '05.

Measurer of Fixed Events—C. N. Flood, '05.

Scorer of Track Events, A. M. Frye, '05.

Scorers of Fixed Events—C. N. Perkins, '04; J. A. Gilman, '05.

## NOTICE.

All men who intend to compete in the Class Meet, April 27, should report to H. N. Jones, '05, Clerk of Course, before Saturday noon, April 23, and all entries must be in before that date. Entry blanks may be found in the reading room.

Ribbons will be given to first place men and to officials.

E. H. COTTON, Manager.

## THE NEW COLLEGE CLOCK.

At last Colby's long-looked for clock has arrived and for three days now has been in its place in the tower of Memorial Hall. The benefactor, or benefactors, is at present unknown to the general public, for President White has been out of town since Wednesday morning and the clock was installed late that same day. He had previously thrown out no hint as to the probability of such a gift but the opinion is quite widespread that several individuals were responsible for this handsome and extremely useful and timely addition to the equipment of the college.

The clock, which is of the latest pattern and best workmanship, has its four faces in the circular openings in the lower tower, which ever since its erection have been covered with boards painted black. The builder of the clock has, as will be noticed, entirely disregarded the ancient and nonsensical custom of inverting the numerals on the lower half of the clock faces and has properly placed them right side up. Although newly installed and hardly tested as yet, the clock has not varied a second since it was set going late Wednesday night. The four sets of hands were purposely set at different hours in order that the mechanism might undergo a thorough test. The electric connections and automatic gong, which will take the place of the old bell on South College, have not yet arrived but are expected soon.

The builders are thought to have done their work late Wednesday night, but they left no signs of their activity except some tracks in the snow beneath one of the chapel windows, and all surmises as to the whole mystery will be fruitless until after President White's return. Congratulations, however, are due to someone on the originality of the idea and the spirit in which it was carried out.

President White and Dr. Hall are attending the annual banquet of the New York Alumni Association, Miss Smith has charge of the library in Dr. Hall's absence. Prof. and Mrs. Roberts are guests of the Boston Alumnae this week. They left on Wednesday to be present at the annual banquet of the association.

## TENNIS PROSPECTS.

The outlook for a successful tennis season is brighter this spring than it has been for many years. All the members of last year's team, with one exception, are still in college and all have profited by their experience in last year's tournament and are playing a faster and more consistent game than they were last spring. Although the cold weather has given small opportunity for practice, the playing that has been done has shown that the men are little the worse for their winter's rest. A series of matches has been arranged with the players of the Taconnet Club and it is probable that matches will also be held with the best players of the High School and Coburn. South College court seems to be in good condition and will need nothing more than a little rolling to put it in first-class shape, but North College court will need to be harrowed and covered with a new coating of clay before it is fit for use.

The manager of the Tennis Association this year, H. N. Jones, '05, is also without question the best player. He is an excellent net player and his strokes off the ground are very good. He has an aggressive serve and his steadiness is remarkable. His principal faults, a tendency to cut his strokes off too sharply and a slowness in covering the court, should be overcome before the Intercollegiate Tournament.

The manager of last year's team and the captain this year is H. W. Soule, '04. His play so far this year has not shown very good form, but it is hoped that he will round into shape before long. He is inclined to be wild and to put more reliance upon a few brilliant shots than on a more cautious game. If he overcomes his unsteadiness and puts a little more life into his work, he should make a strong player.

C. R. Bryant, '04, is a member of last year's team and is a difficult antagonist. He is an aggressive net player and his angles are very good. He covers the court well and is developing a good serve. The chief defect in his playing is the absence of a strong ground stroke.

H. H. Bryant, '05, has a good eye and is a sure player, but many of his strokes lack force. His serve is also weak. If he can develop speed, he should make an excellent player, for he covers the court well and is very steady.

W. S. Stevens, '06, is perhaps the most brilliant player who is competing for the team. Some of his forehand drives to the corners are remarkably good and with a little more practice his serve should be very difficult to return. His backhand, however, is rather weak and like most brilliant players he is very erratic.

L. W. Dunn, '07, had a reputation as a good player while in Coburn, but so far he has played but little on the college courts. He intends to come out this spring, however, and from what playing he has done so far he seems to be a most promising man. He lacks experience in tournament play, but with practice he should make one of the best players in college.

Besides those above-mentioned there are many others of varying degrees of excellence, some of whom may develop into first-rate men.

In doubles there are three strong teams which seem to be almost equally matched. Jones and Soule played in the Intercollegiate tournament last year,

but since they had not played together before, the showing that they made was hardly a fair criterion of their ability. So far this year their play has been good but not brilliant. With more practice they will undoubtedly prove much better.

C. R. and H. H. Bryant have played together for several years. In consequence of their knowledge of each other's play their team work is very good. They should make a strong pair before the end of the season.

Stevens and Dunn form the third team. Although they have played together but little, they show great promise and should give the older teams plenty to do.

On the whole there is no doubt that the team that represents Colby this year at Orono will be better than last year's team and will make a most creditable showing.

## LECTURE ON ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The Y. M. C. A. are endeavoring to raise a fund with which to send six delegates to the Northfield Student Conference, July 1-10, of this year, and have been very fortunate in securing Dr. Alexander Blackburn, of Salem, Mass., for a lecture on Abraham Lincoln to be given next Monday evening. Dr. Blackburn has had marked success with a number of different lectures on Civil War topics and comes very highly recommended by the press. His lecture on Lincoln is considered his best and will doubtless be a rare treat, for he is a veteran of the Civil War and, as a young man in Indiana, met Lincoln several times. President White has heard this lecture and speaks of it in the highest terms. The following clippings will be of interest.

"Alexander Blackburn lectured at the Members' Course entertainment, in Association hall last night and delighted a large audience. Mr. Blackburn is a fluent talker and is the master of a vein of humor which supplied the audience with pleasure enough to make them attentive during the thoughtful address with which it is interspersed."—*Providence (R. I.) Journal*.

"Alexander Blackburn's lecture delivered before the County Institute was one of the best lectures ever delivered in this city. It was just the kind of a lecture that reaches the human heart and prompts the better and nobler motives. Every teacher in the land should hear it."—*The Public School (Ind.)*

As was mentioned above the proceeds of the lecture will be used to defray the expenses of six delegates to the Northfield Conference. Colby of late years has not been as well represented there as she ought to be and it is hoped that her delegation this summer will be equal to that of any of the Maine colleges, and that when the Colby cheer is called for at the grand celebration on the night of July fourth, the response will ring out heartily through the great auditorium. The cause deserves the patronage of every student and friend of the college, for the reaction of the Conference on the many colleges represented, has an inspiring influence that cannot but help make the college life healthier.

Friends of H. S. Withee, '01, will be glad to know that he is now able to walk about with the aid of a cane. Mr. Withee is indeed fortunate to recover so soon from an accident which threatened to be very serious.

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The escapade which resulted in the appearance of what was apparently a *bona fide* clock in the Chapel tower had more originality and less malice than most enterprises of this sort. Although such actions are seldom productive of good results, it must be admitted that the appearance of Chapel tower is much improved and that the need for such a time-piece is made more evident than ever. We hope that this joke may ultimately result in the gift of a real clock by some friend of the college.

## MEETING OF MAINE INTER-COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC BOARD.

The regular spring meeting of the Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Board was held in Lewiston at the New DeWitt, Saturday afternoon. Bates was represented by W. F. Garcelon of Boston from the alumni, Prof. F. E. Pomeroy from the faculty and H. F. Doe, '05, from the students; Maine was represented by Prof. R. K. Jones from the faculty and R. H. Flynt, '04, from the students; and Colby by Colby Bassett of Boston from the alumni and H. W. Soule, '04, from the students.

Matters of general interest were discussed, but no action was taken which can as yet be divulged.

## MAINE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

The schedule of the University of Maine football team for next fall is as follows:

Sept. 24. Open.  
Sept. 28. Open.  
Oct. 1. Brown at Providence.  
Oct. 8. Harvard at Cambridge.  
Oct. 15. New Hampshire State College at Orono.  
Oct. 22. Bates at Lewiston.  
Oct. 29. Colby at Waterville.  
Nov. 5. Bowdoin at Orono or Bangor.  
Nov. 12. Tufts at Bangor or Orono.

## ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NOTES.

The first regular meeting for the spring term of the Executive Committee of the Athletic Association was held in Coburn Hall, Saturday afternoon.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the manager and members of the Dramatic Club for the services which they have rendered the Association.

Manager Cotton of the track team was instructed to extend an invitation to the different fitting schools to participate in a Junior Track meet to be held at Colby, June 4.

The trials of the sophomore debaters were held in Chemical Hall Wednesday afternoon. Bowdoin, Kennison, and Robinson, were chosen, with Chipman as alternate. The judges were Profs. Hedman, Black, and White.

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# A COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor of the Echo—SIR:

The role of critic is a thankless one, but there are times when criticism seems necessary and it's up to somebody to make a martyr of himself. There are some conditions existing in the college which, to say the least, are not for the best interests of the institution or of its students. With your kind permission I will use a little of your space to air my views on the matter in question.

There is no doubt that in many ways the establishment of the College Commons has been of benefit to us all, both financially and in bringing the members of the student body into closer touch with one another. But there are at present harmful influences springing from the very closeness of contact. I refer to the deplorable lack of "table manners" manifested, and to the vulgar and profane language used in the dining rooms.

It is not my intention to preach, or to urge the evil of these practices from a moral standpoint, true though that may be. That is not my calling. But on the grounds of personal interest this thing ought to be stopped. It is, of course, but natural when one hundred young men are brought together in a body three times a day that they should relax somewhat their customary standards of propriety. This seems to be a law of human nature. Yet we can all readily see, if we but stop to think of it seriously, that we cannot afford to yield to this natural tendency. College men should first of all be *Gentlemen*. They are to go out from their college life to become leaders among their fellows, and if they are to hold their places at the front they must cultivate those graces which distinguish the gentleman from the boor. No man can expect to obtain great success in life, if he is continually offending the sensibilities of the well-bred people around him.

Again, we all have the best interests of old Colby at heart. Just consider for a moment the injury done the college by conduct such as is to be witnessed every day in the dining rooms at the Hersey House. What sort of a name will it earn for our college if visitors at the Commons are forced to listen to such talk and to witness such shameful conduct? Will the prospective student be favorably impressed by what he sees there? Not if he is the right sort of a fellow, and we've no use for the other sort here. Comparisons are always odious, but it is nevertheless true, as those who have visited other colleges can testify, that such conditions would not be tolerated in other first class institutions. And the sub-freshman who is looking over the ground notices the difference, and turns away from the college where boorishness is allowed.

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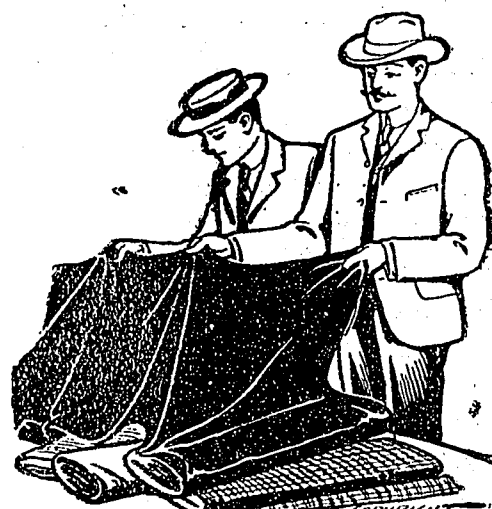
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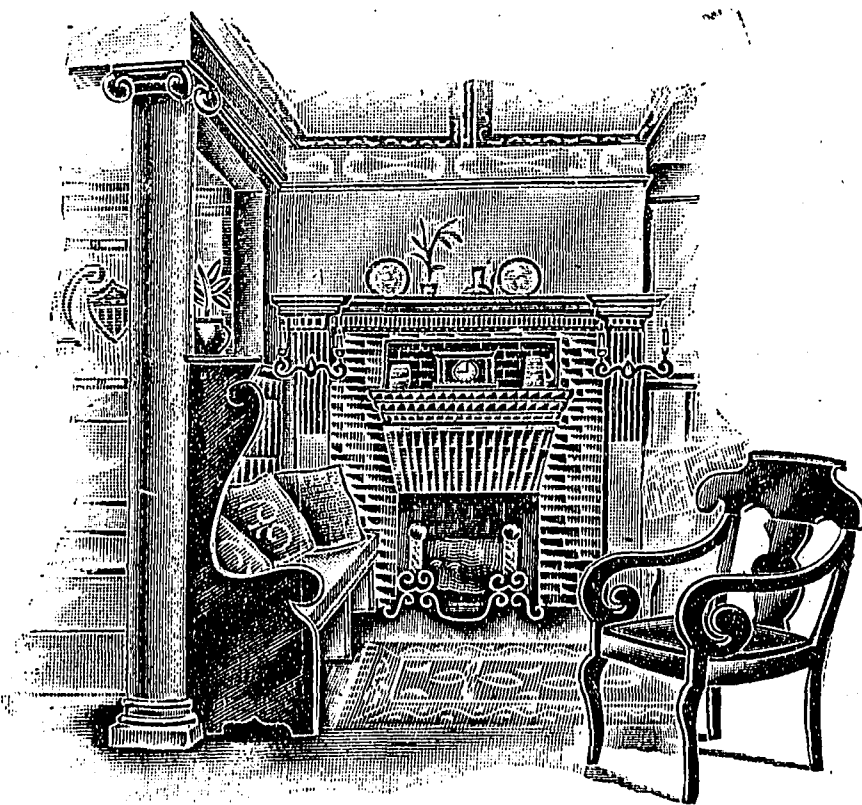
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## CAMPUS CHAT.

Roberts, '04, is expected back to college tomorrow.

Burton, ex-'03, expects to return to college this term.

Teague, ex-'06, called on friends on the campus this week.

Spenser, '06, has been elected captain of the second ball team.

Crabtree, ex-'06, now attending Harvard, was at the "Bricks" Sunday.

Miss Wilber, ex-'05, arrived in town Wednesday for a visit of several days.

Miss Butman, matron at Ladies' Hall, is confined to her room by illness.

Miss Allen, '05, returned Monday from a short visit at her home in Mercer.

Miss Maud Lowe of Portland is visiting her cousin Miss Effie Lowe, '05.

The baseball tickets for the members of the Athletic Association are now out.

Miss Holway, '06, returned to college this week, after being absent since the fall term.

Miss Emery, '07, received a visit from her mother from Saturday till Monday morning.

Coach Kanaly has established a training table for the track candidates in the Phi Delta dining room.

Dean Berry returned Monday evening from Foxcroft and Moulton, where she went to visit schools.

The engagement of Miss Jennie June Dunn, ex-'03, to Robert Atherton Bakeman, '01, is announced.

Miss Ethel Buzzell of Larone visited her sister Miss Buzzell, '05, Thursday and Friday of last week.

In a meeting held at the Chapel this morning, H. W. Soule, '04, was chosen captain of the tennis team.

Professor Chester's condition is improved but he will be unable to return to his classes for at least two weeks.

Miss Hathaway, representing the Fisk Teachers' Agency, was the guest of Dean Berry at Ladies' Hall, Tuesday evening.

The ground was staked out the first of the week for the grandstand and work was begun Thursday on the foundations.

The following men have been chosen by their respective classes to captain the class track teams: Leighton, '04; Maxwell, '05; Ross, '06; Betts, '07.

There will be a game on the campus tomorrow afternoon between Waterville high school and Edward Little high school. After this game Colby will play Coburn a practice game.

Prof. Hatch will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning in the absence of the Rev. Mr. Whittemore who is to deliver the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of Anson Academy.

C. R. and H. H. Bryant in doubles and H. N. Jones and W. S. Stevens in singles will represent Colby in the tournament which will be held on the college courts tomorrow afternoon with players from Taconnet Club.

The first baseball game of the season will be played with Coburn next Wednesday. On Friday the team starts on its Massachusetts trip and it is unfortunate that there has been so little opportunity for practice.

In order that the men who are to participate in the Intercollegiate meet may go to the Junior Prom, the date of that event has been changed from May 9, to May 10. It is hoped that students from the other colleges who come down to the meet will stay over until that night.

We are certainly beginning our season in athletics under difficulties. We no sooner have a field and track cleared of

snow and mud under the kindly smiles of the April sun than winter discovers that he has a little stock of snow on hand that he would like to dispose of and in a night the calendar apparently goes back a couple of months. We go to bed in April and wake up in February. With our baseball games coming on as they are and the track meets so near, it must make us anxious to say the least. Practice has to take a back seat. The game scheduled for Fast Day with the Lewiston Athletic Association had to be cancelled on account of the caprice of the weather and others may have to be. It is detrimental to form but there is one consolation and that is that conditions are the same in the other Maine colleges.

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