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## MEN FOR THE MINISTRY.

We are facing a grave problem. It is the same problem that confronts many an industrial, commercial and governmental enterprise, the lack of men, efficient, well trained men.

This call for men is heard to-day from the ranks of the Christian ministry. Scarcely ever has there been a time since the Christian era began when the call was so imperative for the right kind of men. Never were the demands more exacting and never was a longer period of preparation necessary. Time was when the young man stepped from the furrow to the pulpit, to the practice of law or medicine, without years of training, and succeeded. That day is past.

We are facing new conditions to-day in every calling. The Christian ministry is no exception. Has it any vital claim upon the hearts and brains of the strongest of young men? What are its opportunities for advancement? To what is the call? Has it any adequate remuneration to give in return for energy and ability? These are some of the questions which naturally arise.

We must realize that the work of the Christian ministry is an economic necessity. Its greatness and importance demand the very best of which a man is capable. Many a minister fails because he has not grasped this truth. A man of broad sympathies, who can understand his fellow men, is needed. Let no man say, "I have too fine a mind to bury it among a lot of old fossils in the ministry." For he will find there things to test and tempt even his superior ability.

What opportunity is there for advancement? "Much every way." A bold assertion, you say! True; but he who is not bold, in the right sense, will not advance much in any calling. The man who is bold enough to trust in God and who has faith in God's call to the task, will find an open door of opportunity before him. It is quite true that the lot of some men lies in obscure country places. Yet they are in the place God made, while the men in the city are in abnormal, man-made conditions. What has this to do with advancement? Simply this, that only the future can reveal the greatness of the work done by faithful men in many an obscure place. But the world is open to you, opportunities lie close at your hand. "Acres of diamonds" are about you.

The call is to a world-wide service. For the first time in its history, the world is open to receive the Gospel. Edicts against Christianity have passed away. The age of exclusiveness is gone. History is centering in this thought, "an open world," as John R. Mott clearly points out in his book, "The Pastor and Modern Missions."

But is there any adequate remuneration for this work, for this sacrifice? If you mean remuneration chocked off in dollars and cents, then, emphatically, "No!" But if you mean a remuneration in soul values, a thousand times, "Yes!" No amount of capital, however great, can ever represent the reward of unspeakable peace and happiness which is the soul winner's lot, or the development and growth in new and broader life. Do you object to sacrifice? What sacrifice? Ambition? G. Campbell White, for years a missionary in India, says in effect: "If you want to build for yourself an empire that shall not soon pass away, come and build it in the hearts of India's millions."

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"Build thee more stately mansions  
Oh my soul  
While the swift seasons roll."

Are you ambitious for fame? Who are the great men of history, if not those who have had "trials of mockings and scourgings, bonds and imprisonments?" And above all the "man of sorrows and acquainted with grief" whom millions adore. Was it not he who counted not his life dear unto himself but gave himself a ransom for many? "A servant is not greater than his Lord; neither one that is sent greater than he that sent him."

C. C. KOCH, '02.

## Y. W. C. A. SOCIAL.

Colby Y. W. C. A. won for itself and workers many words of praise for the delightful social which was given last Friday evening in the vestry of the Baptist church. A program consisting of the following numbers was given: Piano Solo, Myrtis Bassett; Series of tableaux from "The Courtship of Miles Standish." Reader, Miss Corbett, '08; Miles Standish, Ross, '06; John Alden, Keene, '06; Messenger, Priest, Hoyt, '05; Priscilla, Miss Cook, '07; Rose Standish, Miss Jones, '08; Vocal Solo, Nora Lander. The great number of college girls were dressed in costumes dating from 1735 to 1905. A few of the 1908 girls were costumed in Evangeline gowns thus adding to the charm of the "Old Fashioned Evening." Refreshments of tea and fancy crackers were served.

## COLBY VS. MAINE.

The basket-ball game at Orono last Friday evening, resulted in a defeat for Colby by a score of 14 to 10. The game was well played generally from start to finish, though a little ragged at times. Neither side showed much team work, and what little passing was done was slow, Maine doing the most, while Colby excelled in covering. The first half ended with the score 9 to 5 in Maine's favor. The playing was slow, Maine getting the best of it. Tribou got a goal inside of a minute, while Willey got three points on fouls. The second half was much faster and closer, both sides getting five points, making the score at the end of the game 14 to 10.

For Maine Huntington and Owen did the best work; for Colby Tribou and McVane were most effective. On the whole the game was a good one, considering the practice both teams had had, and was very satisfactory from Colby's stand point. Snow's refereeing was a feature.

The lineup and score:

MAINE.	COLBY.
Huntington, lf	lf, Peterson, Phinney
Owen, rf	rf, Willey
Mathews, c	c, Thompson
Steward, rb	rb, Tribou
Richardson, lb	lb, McVane
Goals, Colby, Willey 2, Tribou 1;	
Maine, Owen 3, Huntington 2, Mathews 1.	
Fouls, Colby, 6; Maine, 8. Goals from fouls, Colby 4, Maine 2. Time, 20-minute halves. Referee, Donald F. Snow.	

The members of the Chicago University debating team are in careful and regular training for their debate with Northwestern University. A training table for them has been established and regular hours are prescribed.

## A BALL OF RED TAPE.

Early one spring some photographs for the college came by mail from Italy. They were directed to me. The post master informed me of their arrival and that a duty of twenty-five per cent. was due on them. This was eight dollars. I then wrote to the collector of the port of New York protesting against the payment of this sum on the ground that the photographs were for an institution of learning and therefore exempt from such a fine. Then a blank was forwarded to me to be filled out and sworn to by the president of the college, stating officially that what I had already written was true. The date of the arrival of the original package was to be inserted with several other particulars as to the number and character of the photographs. Unfortunately the date had been lost and it became necessary to repair to the post-office and trouble the postmaster to look through a file of papers to find the missing item. The document was then filled out so far as possible and carried to the president for his signature. At his earliest convenience he took it down street that in the presence of a notary public it might be attested in due form. In a day or two it was sent to New York. Then the collector made out another document more imposing than the former one which should contain the oath of the president that these photographs were to be owned by the college and to be used only for educational purposes. Moreover, two bondsmen of respectable character and sufficient property were to be found and sworn to the effect that they would each pay twice the value of the photographs if the promises of the president were not kept. Two such bondsmen were secured. At their convenience they went to the office of the notary public and took oath that they were seized and possessed of twice the amount of property involved in the transaction and would sacrifice the whole if the bond were broken. The document then seemed ready to be sent to the president again, but he was known to be out of town. Just at this point the postmaster received a notification from the collector at New York that too much delay had already been allowed in forwarding the sworn statements of parties interested in the free importation of photographs. It was about the first of June and the matter had started early in April. But the president returned home sick with diphtheria and took his bed, and could not be seen for several days. Of this the postmaster was duly informed and the collector at New York made acquainted, with the promise that all possible haste should be exercised in the matter. Fears were allayed and patience exercised. The collector waited, the postmaster held himself in polite reserve, and the president got well. In a week or ten days the notary public was again visited, the president made oath, the document was returned to the postmaster and sent by him to the collector. Great relief was felt by all, but in the course of a few days the paper was returned. One signature was in the wrong place, others had not been affixed the requisite number of times, and the seal of the college, of which no mention had previously been made, was not stamped upon the document. This necessitated another round of proceedings and more red tape. After the signatures were all in place the librarian was called upon for the impression of the seal, but this instrument chanced to be in the hands of

the treasurer in Portland. To expedite matters the document was sent to Portland with the request to stamp at once and return by the next mail. But the treasurer had gone to Hebron for a week to attend the anniversaries of the academy. The document followed him by mail but the seal was still in Portland. The week passed by, the treasurer returned home, the document was stamped and was sent to Waterville. Then it was returned to the postmaster and by him sent to the collector. Word was soon received that the duty was removed from the photographs! By laboring from April to commencement, eight dollars were saved for the college.

L. E. DOUBLEYOU.

## COLBY VS. COBURN.

In the second game with Coburn, Colby on her own floor won from them by the decisive score of 45 to 16. The first half was a hard, close contest, the teams seemingly about evenly matched. McVane showed up in great style as guard in this half. Fouls were prominent on both teams. In the second half Colby woke up and played 'Vasity basket ball. "Pete" had his eye on the basket and dropped the ball into it eight times. The passing back and forth across the floor was a feature of the playing. In this half Cook for Coburn dropped a pretty goal from the center of the field. The score and lineup was as follows:

COLBY	COBURN
Peterson, Phinney, lf...rg Welsh, Welsh	Willey, rf...lg Stinson, Cook
Thompson, c.....c, McClellan	McVane, lg.....rf, Dodge
Tribou, DeWitt, rg.....lf, Blake	Score Colby 45, Coburn 15. Goals from field Willey 9, DeWitt 4, McVane 3, Cook 3, Thompson 2, Tribou, Phinney, Blake, McClellan, Welsh. Goals from fouls Willey 5, Dodge 5, Cook. Fouls called on Colby 10, Coburn 9. Umpire Pugsley, Referee Newman. Time 15-minute halves.

## COLBY SECOND AND CHIPMAN.

Colby Second won from the fast Chipman club Wednesday night by the narrow margin of 2 points, the score being 27 to 25. The first part of each half the Colby team seemed to wait for something to wake them up. In the first half Chipman played all around the Colby team scoring 12 points before Colby got any. But after they woke up and got the range of the basket they did some fine work, the half closing 17 to 12 in Chipman's favor. In the second half Tilton was put in Morse's place and after the team got their eyes open, they slowly climbed to victory. With only a few seconds to play the score was a tie and the contest grew fierce as both teams endeavored to drop a winning basket. The luck fell to Flood and the game was won by two points. Libby played the star game for Colby, while DeWitt and Peterson did excellent work. Grindall was the star for Chipman. The score:

COLBY SECOND	CHIPMAN CLUB
Peterson, lf.....rb, Grindall, Colby	Flood, rf.....lb, Colby, Grindall
Libby, c.....c, Williams	DeWitt, lb.....rf, Wyer
Morse, Tilton, rb.....lf, Hord	Score, Colby Second, 27; Chipman Club, 25. Goals from floor, Peterson 4, Libby 4, DeWitt 2, Flood 2, Tilton, Hord 4, Grindall 0, Colby, Wyer. Goals from fouls, Peterson, Hord. Fouls called on Colby Second, 3; on Chipman Club, 6. Referee, Murray. Umpire, Thompson. Time, 20-minute periods.

Professor Rentordahl has been confined to his home for several days with an attack of the grip.

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## MERE FICTION.

In the issue of the Bangor News for February 6th, there appeared a lengthy account of conditions at the College Commons which, while it contained a basis of truth, was decidedly misleading. It is but a sample of similar "news-items" which occur frequently in local and other newspapers in regard to the college. All of these items, skillfully compounded of a small amount of fact plus a great deal of fiction, would seem to originate from the same source, if one may judge by their character and style. Whoever the author may be, he has certainly hit upon a most excellent way of defaming the college, and of rendering it contemptible in the eyes of the public. Many a Colby alumnus must blush with shame to read these perverted stories of his alma mater. Colby students are not all ruffians and rowdies, though one might so judge from the stuff that is being printed about them. Nor are the faculty so weak and powerless to control the situation. Freedom of the press may be a good thing, but its abuse is an evil for which there should be some remedy. It is a pity that the author of these fables cannot be severely dealt with.

## THAT SCHEDULE.

Early in the fall term a large bulletin board, containing the schedule of recitations, was to be seen in the lobby of Chemical Hall. Later it disappeared, and it has not been visible since. Why could not some use be made of this schedule, now that the expense of having it made has been incurred? It would surely serve a more useful purpose if placed in a convenient position in the Library or Chemical Hall than stored away in some obscure corner. The small, typewritten copies of the schedule now posted are inconvenient especially if two persons chance to desire to read them at the same time. The larger bulletin should not be allowed to languish longer in some cobwebby corner.

## A WARNING.

The burning of North College, two years since, should have taught a lesson concerning the precautions necessary to prevent a second disaster of similar character. That the lesson has not been

learned as yet was quite clearly shown on Wednesday night by a fire which might easily have resulted in a serious loss. Carelessness was responsible for the blaze: chance was all that prevented it from becoming uncontrollable. Conditions which render such accidents possible ought to be remedied; if that is impossible, a night watchman should be employed. It is mistaken economy to risk property and perhaps life in order to save a few dollars each year.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

Harold W. Soule, '04, has sent by mail from Lawrence, Kansas, five volumes of new editions of college text-books.

The 10 volumes of the first series of "Decennial Publications," have been received from the University of Chicago.

The Library has received from Rev. H. S. Burrage, D.D., about 150 volumes, chiefly ethical and religious, with a number of historical works and books of reference. Nearly all are of recent date and are a valued acquisition to the Library.

The Library recently received the first volume of the "Journals of the Continental Congress," which are now being published complete for the first time by the Library of Congress. The series, which will comprise thirteen or fourteen volumes and take five or six years to print, is limited to 2000 copies, about half of which are given to institutions of learning and to members of Congress. The rest are for sale at one dollar per volume. The printing and binding, both of which are beautifully done, are by the government printing office.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

'96. Mr. H. Warren Foss, formerly principal of the Bar Harbor High School is sub-master in the Kelley School, Cambridge, Mass.

'96. Dr. Albert R. Keith has recently secured the position of third assistant resident physician in the Sailor's Snug Harbor Hospital at Staten Island, New York.

'04. Miss Mary H. Caswell has been elected assistant librarian of the Waterville Public Library, which is soon to be moved to its new building on Elm street. Miss Caswell is at present studying in the New York State library school at Albany, N. Y., and will not assume her new position until June.

## INTRCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

Manager Campbell of the University of Maine has announced the following schedule:

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|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| April 22. | Exeter at Exeter.                    |
| 24.       | Dartmouth at Hanover.                |
| 25.       | University of Vermont at Burlington. |
| 20.       | University of Vermont at Burlington. |
| 20.       | Dexter at Orono.                     |
| May 1.    | N. H. State College at Durham.       |
| 2.        | Tufts at Medford.                    |
| 3.        | Yale at New Haven.                   |
| 5.        | Game pending.                        |
| 6.        | Game pending.                        |
| 10.       | Bates at Orono.                      |
| 17.       | Colby at Waterville.                 |
| 20.       | Bates at Lewiston.                   |
| 25.       | Tufts at Orono.                      |
| 27.       | Colby at Orono.                      |
| 31.       | N. H. State at Orono.                |
| June 5.   | Bowdoin at Brunswick.                |

"Games with Boston University and Andover, on May 5 and 6, are practically assured, making five games for the Massachusetts trip. The management intends to arrange quite an extended schedule for the second team, to include the second teams of Bowdoin, Bates and Colby."—*Maine Campus*.



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## CAMPUS CHAT.

Herman B. Betts, '07, preached at Hartland Sunday.

Arthur W. Weeden, '08, is confined to his room with the measles.

Miss Colby, '08, received a visit from her sister the first of the week.

Edward H. Cotton, '05, supplied at the Methodist church at Wilton, Sunday.

Miss Vaughn, '08, went to her home in City Point Monday on account of ill health.

Miss Geneva Teague, of Madison, was the guest of Miss Weston, '06, from Friday till Monday.

Miss Lucia Howard of Winslow visited her sister Miss Howard, '05, on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Maud Smith, a teacher in Auburn was the guest of Miss Blaisdell, '05, from Saturday till Monday.

Arthur Oliver, '08, left for his home in Smyrna Mills the first of the week, and will not return to college this year.

Miss Lowe, '06, was out again Tuesday after being confined to the house since Wednesday of last week with neuralgia.

Lelan K. Knapp, '03, instructor in French and science at Leavitt Institute, Turner Center, was visiting friends at the "Bricks" the first of the week.

Mrs. Charles Cummings, of Woburn, Mass., has been visiting her daughter, Miss Cummings, '07, the past week. From Thursday till Monday they were the guests of relatives in Winthrop.

Miss Mabel Green of Skowhegan, was the guest of her sister, Miss Olive Green '08, at supper Wednesday evening of last week. Miss Green was one of the number of out of town people who attended Booker T. Washington's lecture.

Mrs. Blake Roberts, of Caribou, who has been visiting her daughter, Miss Anne Roberts, '08, and other relatives in town for the past two weeks, starts for her home Tuesday. Mrs. and Miss Roberts spent Saturday last with friends in Lewiston.

Twelve of the young ladies who were in college when, as Miss Grace E. Mathews. Mrs. H. S. Philbrick of Boston was Dean of the Women's Division, had the pleasure of her company at Mrs. Caswell's table at Ladies' Hall, Wednesday noon of last week. A most enjoyable opportunity for talking over "old times" was afforded by this dinner together.

Shortly before eleven o'clock Wednesday night thick smoke in the halls of North College led two of the students to make an investigation. It was soon discovered that a pile of boards, carelessly left close by the furnace, had taken fire. Prompt work extinguished the incipient conflagration before any damage was done.

Professor Roberts recently announced that the Freshman Reading prizes will hereafter be awarded to the members of both divisions for excellence in declamation at the last recitation hour of each term. The prizes will be a first prize of \$5.00 and second and third of \$2.50 each and are to be awarded for selections of poetry taken from Fulton's and Truett's selections, which is the book regularly used in the course.

A committee chosen from the students now boarding at the Commons met President White last Saturday afternoon and adjusted the arrangements at the Commons made necessary by the decrease in the number of men eating there. According to the new regulations board is still to be had at \$3.00 per week payable in advance, but guests will be entertained at the expense of the one inviting them. All the students are to be assembled into the rooms formerly occupied by the Dekes, Zetes, and D. U's, and the number of waiters and helpers has been reduced.

Burr F. Jones, '07, has been obliged to go to his home in Windsor on account of sickness.

Solon W. Purinton, '05, has left college and will take a course in a business college in Lewiston.

Hoyt N. McCauley, ex-'06, has entered the employ of the Waterville Morning Sentinel as subscription agent.

John S. Tapley, '05, principal of Anson Academy was visiting friends on the campus Saturday and Sunday.

The members of the freshman society, Upsilon Beta, sat for their Oracle picture at Preble's a week ago Thursday.

The committee for new students, formerly the committee of twenty, now made up of three men from each of the fraternities, met for a short session at President White's home last Monday evening.

Harry C. Bonney, '07, left Saturday for his home in Guilford where he spent a few days. He joined the Glee Club as it went through Guilford on its way to Greenville and took his place in the Mandolin club during the rest of the trip.

Posters are up for the basket ball game with Maine Saturday evening, Feb. 11. Between the halves the second team will play the Westbrook Seminary team. Colby's prospects for giving Maine some interesting basket-ball were never better and the college should turn out generally and back the boys with good cheering.

Last Friday evening the Musical clubs assisted by Mixer, '08, reader, gave a concert at Winthrop, coming back on the early morning Pullman. The program was carefully prepared and was well rendered to a rather small audience, due to other attractions. The clubs, however, showed up well and got some good practice for their more extended trip this week.

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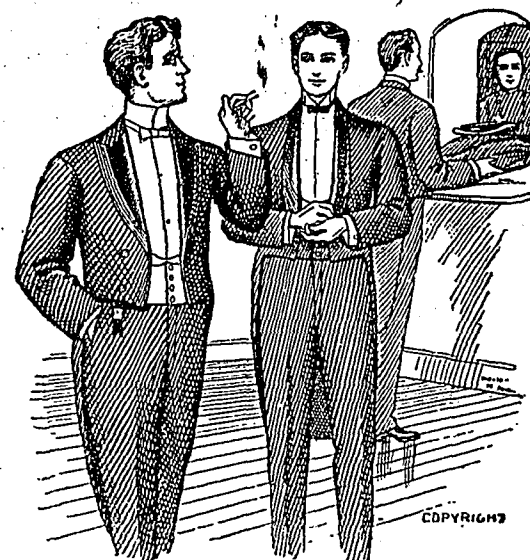
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"The game of football has become seriously injurious to rational academic life in American schools and colleges, and it is time that the public, especially the educated public, should understand and take into earnest consideration the objections to this game.

"Some of the lesser objections to the game are its extreme publicity, the large proportion of injuries among the players, the absorption of the undergraduate mind in the subject for two months and the disproportionate exaltation of the football hero in the college world. The crude and vociferous criticism, blame and praise which fall to the lot of the football player can be of no possible advantage to any young man at the opening of his active life; on the contrary, they keep before him an untrustworthy and unwholesome standard of public approval or disapproval.

"The distraction from proper collegiate pursuits of multitudes of undergraduates during a football season has become a familiar phenomenon; but it is, nevertheless, a mortifying one. The football hero is useful in a society of young men if he illustrates generous strength and leads a clean life; but his merits of body and mind are not of the most promising sort for future service out in the world. The alert, nimble, wiry, tough body, is for professional or business purposes in future life, a better one than his; and the mental qualities of the big, brawny athlete are almost certain to be inferior to those of the slighter, quick-witted men whose moral ideals are at least as high as his.

"None of these things, however, enter into the main objection to the game, for the main objection lies against its moral quality.

"As developed in this country under fierce intercollegiate competition, it has become a game in which the actions of the individual players can often be entirely concealed, not only from the mass of spectators on the benches, but from the nearer observers on the side lines, and even from the umpire who gets as near as possible to the combatants. The game is played under established and recognized rules; but the uniform enforcement of these rules is impossible, and violations of the rules are in many respects highly profitable toward victory.

"On the question, whether or not football victories do, as a matter of fact, contribute to the growth and reputation of a college or university, there are evidently two opinions. But if a college or university is primarily a place for training men for honorable, generous, and efficient service to the community at large, there ought not to be more than one opinion on the question whether a game, played under the actual conditions of football, and with the barbarous ethics of warfare, can be a useful element in the training of young men for such high service.

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