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THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

Election of Officers—Work of the Term Outlined.

Last Friday after chapel was held the first meeting of the Debating Society. The following officers were elected: Pres., Fenwicke L. Holmes; Vice Pres., Herman B. Betts; Sec., Lewis W. Dunn; Treas., Burr F. Jones; Standing Committee, Professors Roberts and Black, Charles P. Chipman, Arthur K. Winslow. According to the constitution the president, ex-officio, is chairman of the Standing Committee.

With the meeting of the Standing Committee on Saturday Jan. 20, 1906, the organization of the Colby Debating Society began its effective work. The Committee has outlined the work of the society for the winter term as follows: Regular meetings will be held on January 31st, February 14th and March 14th. These meetings will be held in the college chapel and will be open to the public, certain seats being reserved for the members of the society and for the Women's Division of the college, who are invited to be present in a body. It is the plan of the Committee to have the young ladies assist in the exercises by musical selections and readings, thus enlivening the more formal debate. At each meeting a limited number of speakers will be chosen to open the debate, which will then be thrown open to 3-minute speeches from the floor. A committee of judges will decide which side has presented its case in the most effective manner, while the audience will be asked to vote upon the question itself. Another feature of the program will be a critic, whose business it shall be to point out in a kindly way each evening, such mistakes as should be corrected in future debates. The question chosen for the first meeting is as follows: Resolved, That every student should be permitted three absences a term in each course with excuse, and that all further absences for any cause whatsoever, except prolonged illness and necessary absence from town should be unexcused and count as zeros against the student. Full announcement as to speakers and program will be given later.

NEWS FROM SOULE '04, AT OXFORD.

Yesterday word was received from Harold Soule '04, who has been spending his holiday vacation at Bonn on the Rhine. He speaks of being with Porter, formerly Bowdoin '06, and other Rhodes scholars at Bonn for the holidays, and says: "We all got together on Christmas day and climbed the Drachenfels, where, as you probably know, Siegfried is supposed to have slain the Dragon in the Niebelungenlied. We didn't see anything of His Majesty but had a glorious time and got up a great appetite for our Christmas dinner." He says that he has an article for the Echo in preparation, which we hope to publish in the near future.

BOSTON ALUMNI BANQUET

The Echo has received word that arrangements have been made to hold the twenty-fifth annual reunion of the Boston Colby Alumni Association at the American House, Friday Feb. 9 at seven p. m. It is hoped that all friends of Colby, graduates or undergraduates, will keep this date in mind and use every effort to be present.

COLBY 23, HEBRON 13.

Prep. School Team Outplayed—Libby Stars for Colby.

On last Friday the "varsity" made its trip to Hebron for a game with the academy team. Similar games have been scheduled for a number of years past so that now it is looked upon as a regular part of the schedule preliminary to the Maine games.

Seven men were taken on the trip but only five were used, the regular team playing throughout the game. As the score indicates, the game was close and pretty evenly contested. The Hebron floor space is small and both teams were hampered in their team work, the 'varsity if anything showing up the stronger of the two. Although familiar with the baskets the prep school boys were kept from getting many open shots and these were kept well separated. Individually, Libby played the best game of any on either team, while Greene, whose ability is already known, played a hard swift game for Hebron. Perhaps Abbott and McLellan were the best matched pair and these two had it hot and heavy throughout the game.

While Libby has been spoken of especially, no harsh criticism should be offered regarding any of the 'varsity five. The team this year is developing into the best balanced, if not the swiftest team, that Colby has had for some years and the way in which all the fellows are finding the way to the basket is encouraging.

The summary:

COLBY.	HEBRON.
Libby, rf	Ig, Gardiner
Willey, lf	rg, Rogers
McLellan c	c, Abbott
DeWitt, rg	lf, Greene
Hammond, lg	rf, McFarland

Colby 23, Hebron 13. Goals—Libby 5, Willey 3, DeWitt 2, McLellan 1, Abbott 3, Greene 2, McFarland 1. Referee, Williams.

THE COLLEGE BAND.

For some time past there has been an apparently great interest in the organization of a College Band, and on Friday evening quite a number of the men interested in this movement met at the chapel for the consideration of the matter. It was voted to have a band and to begin practicing at once. W. L. Dodge, '06, O. B. Peterson, '07, and L. O. Merrill, '09, were chosen as a committee to care for instruments, music, etc.

At present there are sixteen men who have been out for practice, but it may be stated that very soon this number will be increased. Ten different kinds of instruments are represented in this number, namely: W. L. Dodge and O. B. Peterson, solo cornets; John T. Mathews, first cornet; J. C. Richardson, second cornet; L. O. Merrill, piccolo; Flewelling, clarinet; E. C. Lincoln, H. W. Kimball, J. Chandler, J. W. Coombs, altos; Buker and Tallman, trombones; R. W. Dodge, baritone; M. R. Keyes, tuba; G. E. Gould and E. E. Masterman, drums.

Professor Hedman has for the present kindly consented to devote his services in leading and getting the band organized. During his college course Prof. Hedman was a member of the band, playing the cornet. Some of the members are men of experience in this line, having played in bands at their respective homes before coming to college.

Last week mention was made in THE ECHO of this movement and of the great benefits to be derived therefrom both on the part of the participant and college at

MRS. MEAD'S LECTURE.

World Organization Presented in Effective Manner.

The students of Colby were afforded an unusual opportunity last Tuesday forenoon in the lecture delivered by Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead of Boston on "World Organization." Mrs. Mead is chairman of the Peace and Arbitration work of the National Council of Women, and also of the Women's Suffrage Association.

The lecture was exceedingly interesting and was listened to with keen appreciation by the large number of students and friends who were present.

Mrs. Mead said in part: This is one of the most important questions of the day. It is important because it is new and not fully understood, and for that reason few are interested in it. The causes which have brought us face to face with this question are steam, electricity, and democracy. By these the world is more closely related than ever before. "In the gain or loss of one race all the rest have equal share." Organization has solved many a perplexing question. Because of organization we have instead of a number of warring German states, the great German Empire. Organization in Germany and the United States has removed the cause of war. International war is doomed when international organization is accomplished. What the world needs is justice in its broadest sense, but justice in this sense is not brought about by war. The result of war is more often the greatest injustice.

In order to accomplish this world organization it is necessary that the influential men become interested. Then if the strongest nations cooperate world organization will be established. The Hague Conference is a long step in this direction. It has accomplished and is accomplishing more than can be easily estimated. Within the past year it has prevented one war and stopped another. What men really need to learn is that they are first of all human beings, citizens of the world.

AMONG THE MAINE COLLEGES.

The Maine Campus, the U. of M. weekly, urges the adoption of a hatband for the men of the university.

Bowdoin has secured as track coach John J. Smith of Harvard, who so successfully coached Colby's track team last spring.

Bowdoin's baseball schedule for this spring is as follows:

April 18—BROWN at Providence.
April 19—TUFTS at Medford.
April 21—EXETER at Brunswick.
April 24—U. of V. at Burlington.
April 25—U. of V. at Burlington.
April 28—MAINE at Brunswick.
May 5—BATES at Brunswick.
May 9—COLBY at Brunswick.
May 16—HOLY CROSS at Worcester.
May 17—ANDOVER at Andover.
May 19—BATES at Lewiston.
May 23—MAINE at Orono.
May 26—COLBY at Waterville.
May 30—BATES at Lewiston (exhibition).
June 8—IVY GAME (pending) Brunswick.
June 12—TUFTS at Medford.
June 13—HARVARD at Cambridge.

large. As it is now an assured thing that Colby is to have a band, it behooves every student to stand ready to support it, in order that it may have the greatest possible success.

COL. OLIVER C. GRAY '55.

A Prominent Colby Man of Influence in the West Passes Away.

With the recent death of Col. O. C. Gray, Colby '55, the college lost one of her most beloved sons and the country at large a famous educator.

Col. Oliver Crosby Gray was born in Jefferson, Maine, Dec. 30, 1832. He graduated from Colby in the class of '55, having for a classmate Nelson Dingley, author of the Dingley Tariff. After graduation, Mr. Gray attended Dartmouth College for a time, then removed to Minneapolis, Minn., where he was superintendent of the public schools during 1856-57. In 1858 he went to Arkansas as principal of the Monticello Academy, there he remained two years. From 1860-61 he was principal of Princeton Academy of that state.

At the outbreak of the war, he enlisted as a private in the Third Arkansas Cavalry and before '64 was promoted to the rank of Captain. While returning home on a furlough in '64 he was captured and held prisoner for a time, later he became a lieutenant colonel on the staff of General Armstrong and served under Generals Forest, Wheeler and Johnson.

At the close of the war he returned to the life of a teacher and was until 1867 principal of Princeton Female Academy. From 1868 to 1871 he was professor of mathematics at St. John's College, Little Rock, Ark., and was for several years its president. From 1875 to 1886 he was the professor of mathematics at the Arkansas Industrial University. He was principal of the public schools of Fayetteville in 1887-88, then returned to the chair of mathematics at the University for seven years. In 1893 he was elected superintendent of the Arkansas School for the Blind which position he held until his death, with the exception of a single year when he was principal of the Speers Langford Military Institute.

Col. Gray died at the age of 73 years from a prolonged attack of cerebrospinal meningitis. The Arkansas Democrat says of him in a recent editorial:

"In the death of Col. O. C. Gray, superintendent of the Blind School, Arkansas suffers a severe loss. His long and useful career constitutes one of the most interesting pages in the history of the state. He had lived through more than three score and ten years and there was not a blemish on his life. As a young man he was a close student and a hard worker; he was a brave soldier and able educator, a good citizen and a christian gentleman. As a public officer he won the confidence and esteem of the people and was never criticised for a dereliction of duty. He lived indeed an exemplary life and passed to his final reward honored and loved by every one. The good deeds of his life will live for generations and the principles he has installed into the hearts of the young men who have come within the scope of his influence will never perish. The world is the better for his having lived in it and thousands are stronger and worthier of life for having met and associated with him. Generations yet to come will pay tribute to his memory and there will be cherished for him a tender feeling among all who were honored with his friendship. A grand and noble character has laid down the burdens of life. God rest his soul in peace."

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The editorials this week have been crowded out by news matter, in which our readers will doubtless be more interested than in any effusions from the erratic pen of the editor. In our next issue we shall have accounts of the Colby Club meeting held last evening and of the mid-winter meeting of the Board of Trustees held today in Portland.

AMONG THE MAINE COLLEGES.

The students at Maine have established a monthly literary magazine, to be called the "Blue Book." The first number will appear very soon.

Over \$200 were raised for the Bowdoin Baseball Association by a minstrel show given by the students of the college at Brunswick last Friday evening.

The offer of Andrew Carnegie to give Bates College \$50,000 if an additional \$100,000 were raised by friends of the college, has been accepted. Effort is now being made to raise the required sum by a committee appointed for the purpose.

Many papers of the state have been circulating a report that Dr. A. W. Harris, president of the University of Maine from 1893 to 1901, and at the present time president of Jacob Tome Institute at Port Deposit, Md., has accepted the presidency of Northwestern University to succeed Pres. James. This statement is false as Dr. Harris has not accepted the chair. It is understood that his name is being considered among others. The statement has been circulated over the state in a very general way but was finally settled by a dispatch from Dr. Harris to the Campus in which he stated that he had not accepted the presidency of the Northwestern University.—*The Maine Campus.*

The state of Maine has reason to be proud of the first Rhodes scholar whom she sent to Oxford a year ago last fall. David R. Porter, formerly Bowdoin '06, was a short time ago elected president of the American Club, an organization of the Rhodes scholars from North America, the Canadian provinces as well as the United States being included. Mr. Porter was treasurer of the club last year and has held a very prominent place among the Rhodes scholars. The American Club is for mutual social benefits and keeps in touch with life on this side of the water through American newspapers and magazines. It is announced that Mr. Porter will receive his A. B. degree from Bowdoin this spring along with his former classmates.

Invitations are out to the reception and dance to be given by Xi chapter of A. K. E. at Elks Hall next Monday evening.

SURGEONS REPORT ON FOOT-BALL.

In a recent article by Dr. F. H. Nichols and Dr. Homer B. Smith, surgeons who had charge of the Harvard squad during this last season, the following conclusions are stated after a discussion extending over several pages relative to injuries received by the players during the season:

1. The number, severity and permanence of the injuries received in playing football are very much greater than generally is credited or believed.
2. The greater number of the injuries come in the "pile," and not in the open plays, although serious injuries are received in the open.
3. The proportion of injuries received in games and in practice is about the same.
4. A large percentage of the injuries is unavoidable.
5. The percentage of injuries is incomparably greater in football than in any other of the major sports.
6. The game does not develop the best type of men physically, because too great prominence is given to weight without corresponding nervous energy.
7. Constant medical supervision of the game is a necessity and not a luxury, although it is a question if a game, requiring the constant attendance of two trained surgeons, is played under desirable conditions.
8. The percentage of injury is much too great for any mere sport.
9. Leaving out all other objections to the game, ethical and practical, the conditions under which the game is played should be so modified as to diminish to a very great degree the number of physical injuries.—*The Tech.*

ALUMNI NOTES.

'87. The successful story, "the Rainy Day Railroad War," which Holman F. Day wrote for the Youth's Companion, will be issued in book form by a well known publishing house, Mr. Day writing in several additional chapters and bringing it up to 50,000 words. It is now 35,000 words. Mr. Day has recently sold to the Youth's Companion another serial, "The Skokums of the Allegash," somewhat larger than "The Rainy Day Railroad War," and said to be even more lively and with more adventure and human interest than the former.—*Lewis-ton Journal.*

'97. George K. Bassett after thirteen weeks of camp life at Great Pond, has entered the law office of Cornish and Bassett, Augusta, with health quite restored.

'99. It has been announced that William L. Waldron of this city who is attending the Law School of the University of Maine, received the highest rank in two of the three first year courses and second highest in the third, as the results of last term's work.—*Waterville Mail.*

'00. The engagement was recently announced of Percy Emerton Gilbert '00, and Miss Emily Carpenter of Houlton. Mr. Gilbert completes his course at the Bowdoin Medical school this year.

'03. Caleb A. Lewis recently resigned his position on the reportorial staff of the Waterville Morning Sentinel and has accepted a similar position with the Evening Mail. Mr. Lewis during his short career as a newspaper reporter has won much success. His associates on the Sentinel tendered him a farewell banquet as a token of their esteem. During his senior year in college he was manager of THE ECHO, which that year, as a result of Mr. Lewis' efforts, became free of debt.

Neely Jones '05, who is teaching in the High School at Wiscasset, was the guest of friends in the city several days the past week.



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CAMPUS CHAT.

Malcolm D. Smith, ex-'07 has returned to college.

Ralph Penfold of South Paris, Me. is visiting Briggs '09.

Pres. White returned from a trip to Boston Saturday evening.

J. W. Leighton, ex-'06, was calling on friends at the "bricks" Saturday.

Mr. Judson Record of Livermore Falls called on friends at the Bricks Sunday.

Prof. Hatch preached in Rockland Sunday in the absence of the regular pastor.

The mid-winter meeting of the board of trustees will be held at Portland Jan. 24.

President and Mrs. White will give a reception to the college on Friday evening Feb. 2.

I. A. Bowdoin '06, who has had a severe attack of the grip is able to attend to his college work again.

Cecil Clark, '05, who has been so dangerously ill, is improving steadily and will soon be himself again.

Harry Carter, an inspector for the New England Telephone Co. visited Hammond '09, Thursday evening.

Pres. White will lecture in Guilford Tuesday Feb. 6 and is to deliver an installation sermon at Hartland Feb. 13.

The annual catalogue is in the hands of the printer. It is expected that it will be ready for distribution the first of February.

The Taconnet team was defeated in basketball at the clubhouse last Friday evening by the U of M. team in a close game which resulted 26 to 21. Colby second was soundly drubbed by the Chipmen.

INTERCOLLEGIATE CLIPPINGS.

Twenty-seven per cent of Yale's students are Westerners, and yet they furnish forty-six per cent of the athletes. At Harvard thirteen per cent furnish seventeen per cent of the athletes.

The football team at the Wesleyan University of West Virginia has disbanded because the president insists on the enforcement of the rule that all football players bring written permission to play from their parents.

During the last ten years, out of 22,766 students who played football in sixty of the most important colleges of the United States, 654 received serious injuries, eight were injured permanently, and three cases resulted fatally.

Yale is testing a new plan of faculty oversight over individual students. A "tutorial" board of sixteen professors, assistant professors, and instructors has been appointed, its object being (according to the Yale Alumni Weekly) "to cultivate personal relations with the same number of groups of the Sophomore class." "It is an advisory board to act in the capacity of guide and friend to the individual Sophomores in each group, shaping somewhat their choice of studies, watching and shaping character, acting to some degree as an intermediary with the Faculty, and establishing a sympathetic bond, but with no clerical, much less disciplinary, functions."—The Tufts Weekly.

The movement for the interchange of German and Russian professors, in which Harvard has taken a leading part, is in progress in the West as well as in the East. Professor Oncken of the University of Berlin, is delivering at the University of Chicago, in English, a course of lectures on German history, and conducting in German a seminar on the same subject. On the other hand, Professor J. Laurence Laughlin, head of the department of political economy at Chicago, has been invited by Ministerial Director Althoff of the Prussian Kultus Ministerium, to deliver a series of

lectures in Berlin before the Vereinigung fur Staatswissenschaftliche Fortbildung during the coming season. This institution is a body composed of members of the Government bureau. It was suggested in the invitation that such subjects as the labor problem, railway rates, trusts, etc., in the United States would be most interesting to the members. Professor Laughlin has accepted the invitation, and will leave for Berlin in the spring.—Boston Transcript.

ANECDOTE OF HON. HENRY W. PAINE.

The following anecdote of one of Colby's most noted graduates has recently come to light:

The Hon. Henry W. Paine of the class of '30, lecturer at the Boston University law school, was once in the law library, and as he glanced down the shelves he noticed several blocks of wood shaped like law books, which had been put in to fill out the shelves. "Ah," said Mr. Paine, "now I see where the supreme court gets its law."

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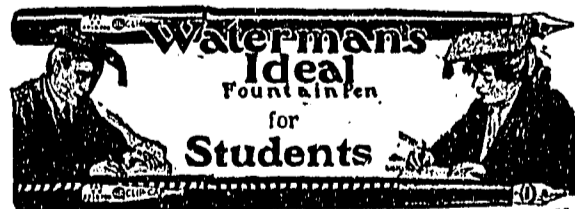
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Bertha M. Robinson, Editor, '07.

Dean Berry is on the sick list.

Miss Nora Sander '08, spent Sunday at her home in Bingham.

Miss Annie Cook '07, spent Sunday at her home in Vassalboro.

News has been received of the death of Miss Harriet Harlow '00, of Warren.

A case of measles is reported at Foss Hall. Miss Perry '09, is the sufferer.

Miss Fanny Crute '09, who has been ill for some days is able to be out again.

Miss Myra Kellogg of Warren was the guest of Miss Caldwell '06, Friday night.

The new piano has arrived and adds greatly to the attractiveness of the parlor.

Mrs. Grace Archer, of Fairfield was the guest of her sister, Miss Mayo '09, Friday.

Mrs. J. A. Record has been the guest of her daughter Agrandee Record '09, recently.

Miss Bertha Bangs '08, who has been ill at her home in Portland, has returned to college.

Miss Anna Boynton '06 and Miss Ella Macy '06 spent Sunday at Miss Boynton's home in Skowhegan.

Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, who addressed the students, Tuesday was entertained at the home of Pres. White.

The Alumnae have offered a banner to the basket-ball team winning in the coming contest between the Freshman and Sophomore classes.

A mandolin and guitar club has been organized under the leadership of Miss Mollie Pearce '08. Any girl who plays either of these instruments is invited to join. Daily practice required.

Mission Study Classes have been organized, which are to meet once a week. The Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores will study *Dux Christus*, a text book on Japan. The Freshmen will study the lives and work of a few prominent missionaries as told in *Effective Workers in Needy Fields*. Misses Eva Plummer and Clara Norton will conduct the classes.

Miss Margaret Matthew, Student Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., who is at present making a tour of the schools and colleges of New England is spending a few days at Foss Hall as the guest of the Colby Association. Tuesday evening she spoke to the society on the topic "What Christ expects of Us." At different hours during Tuesday and to-day she has held conferences with the chairman of every committee in the Cabinet of the Association. Monday afternoon from four to five an informal reception was held in her honor in the Assembly room at Foss Hall, that every girl in college might meet her personally. Miss Matthew is a graduate of the University of California and is a prominent worker in the National Association.

IN MEMORIAM: SAMUEL KING SMITH.

Under the above title the college recently issued a bulletin containing the memorial address on Professor Smith delivered last Commencement by Rev. Abraham W. Jackson, D. D. '09. There is also included a biographical preface by Rev. Wm. A. Smith of the class of '91, a son of the subject of the address. The whole forms a most interesting memorial of a man whose life was devoted to his work at Colby. Dr. Jackson's scholarly address is delightful reading and is well worth the attention of every student in college. Copies of the bulletin may be had from Dr. Hall, the librarian.

'98. Rev. Joel B. Slocum, has declined the call to Haverhill, Mass., and will remain at Columbus, Ohio.

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