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## ALBERT P. MARBLE, PH. D.

### Distinguished Son of Colby Passes Away in New York.

Dr. Albert Prescott Marble, '66, Associate Superintendent of Public Schools of this city, died March 25, at his home, 48 West Ninety-fourth street, after an illness of six weeks. His knee was injured by a fall and afterward a complication of diseases set in. He leaves a widow, a daughter, Katherine, and a brother, Dr. John O. Marble of Worcester, Mass.

Dr. Marble was one of the best-known secondary educators in this country. He was born sixty-eight years ago in Vassalboro, Me., and was graduated from Colby University. For twenty-five years he was Superintendent of Schools in Worcester, Mass. Thence he went to Omaha, Neb., where he took up similar work.

In 1896 he was called to this city and made Associate Superintendent of Schools, with charge of the high school work. He also served on the Board of Examiners and on the Committee on Appointments. He wrote extensively on educational subjects, two of his best known works being a treatise on the metric system and a brochure on the teaching of English. He was a frequent contributor to educational publications. He was elected to the Presidency of the National Educational Association at the Nashville convention in 1888.—*New York Times*.

At the annual meeting of the New York Colby Alumni Association held in the rooms of the Graduates' Club, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York, on the evening of March 24th, Associate Superintendent Clarence E. Meloney, who is also President of the Graduates' Club, of which Dr. Marble was a member, announced the serious illness of his colleague and paid a fitting tribute to the work of this distinguished educator, a summary of which is as follows:

"Albert Prescott Marble was born in Vassalboro, Maine, in 1838. He was graduated with honor from Colby, then Waterville College, in the class of 1861. He was a member of the Chi Chapter of the Zeta Psi Fraternity. He began teaching early in life and has had a most successful and distinguished career as professor of mathematics, principal of high schools and academies and as superintendent of schools. For twenty-five years he was Superintendent of Schools in Worcester, Mass., and was recognized as one of the most eminent of the school men of the country, always taking an important place in educational conventions, both State and National, and contributing valuable literature on the subject of education in the form of addresses, reports and magazine articles. He is the author of one of the volumes of the International Education Series edited by United States Commissioner Harris. In 1888-9 he was President of the National Educational Association.

"In 1896 Dr. Marble was elected to the Board of Superintendents in the City of New York, in competition with a large number of experienced educators of the country. The election of Dr. Marble was a credit to the New York Board of Education, and was the means of hastening the establishment of high schools in this city. Dr. Marble's knowledge of high school work and his wide acquaintance with high school principals and teachers qualified him in an eminent degree to undertake the work of organizing this department of the schools. This has been his chief

concern, though he has devoted much attention to the elementary schools. He has always been an intelligent and sympathetic advocate of the progressive yet conservative development of the school system. He took a large measure of every important problem, realizing the breadth and comprehensiveness of its relations. He was not easily disturbed by delay, but abided his time and was hopeful of permanent results. He was blessed with an even temper and was seldom ruffled or irritated by opposition or criticism. He always had absolute confidence in his associates, respected the opinions of others, and co-operated unhesitatingly and loyally in every undertaking of importance. He made friends everywhere and was always a welcome guest in social and educational circles.

"Dr. Marble was one of the founders of the Graduates' Club of New York City, an organization of college and university men representing in its membership over eighty institutions of higher education in this country and abroad. He was, from its inception, one of the Board of Governors and the Chairman of the Committee on Relations with Colleges. He was associated with many organizations of school men, including those engaged in public and private institutions.

"Dr. Marble has been a member of the New York Colby Alumni Association and was for one year its President. He has been a firm and substantial supporter of the College on the Kennebec, and has been beloved and honored by all its friends. He will be remembered with the kindest and warmest affection by all who have known him throughout the country."

### ISAAC BRITTON.

The death of Isaac Britton, '69, of Bangor, occurred suddenly from heart failure, Wednesday, March 21. He was at his office Monday, as usual, and his death was a great shock to his many friends. He was born in Winslow fifty-eight years ago, and upon his graduation from college in 1869 engaged in the tanning business in Portland. In 1880 he removed from Portland to Bucksport, and in 1903 to Brewer, where he organized the Britton Leather Company, of which he was president and general manager at the time of his death. We quote the following from the Waterville Morning Sentinel of March 22.

"Mr. Britton was a man of broad intellect and high intelligence. He was public spirited and a man of unimpeachable integrity, both in business and in private life. He was devoted to his family and to his friends and will be missed both in this city and in his former home, Bucksport.

"A Republican in politics, he was a member of the House of Representatives from the Bucksport class of Hancock county in the Legislatures of 1897 and 1899 and in 1900 was a candidate in a hot three cornered fight for the governor's council, between Judge E. C. Chase of Bluehill and Dr. Grindle of Mount Desert. Judge Chase was chosen after a warm contest. Mr. Britton was a Mason, being a member of Felicity Lodge of Bucksport and Hancock Royal Arch Chapter."

### HILLIS LECTURE AGAIN.

The lecture by Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, which has been so many times postponed, is to be given Tuesday evening April 24, according to the announcement given out by President R. W. Dunn of the Colby Club.

## THE NEW FOOTBALL RULES

### Finally Adopted by the Committee After Six Meetings.

The American Football Rules Committee, which was formed last December by the consolidation of the old rules committee with the committee appointed by the national intercollegiate football conference, at its meeting in New York March 30 and 31, finally adopted a set of rules and regulations for the season of 1906. The committee is to meet again in New York next Saturday to pass upon the rules in their final form but only such changes will then be made as will give clearness to the rules, or do away with any possible inconsistencies.

The principal changes in the rules are as follows: Ten yards to be gained in three downs; "not more than six men shall be on the line of scrimmage on defence;" "six men shall always be on the line of scrimmage;" "one forward pass shall be allowed on a play;" no tackling below the knees except by men on the scrimmage line of the defence, the ends of which cannot tackle below the knee; hurdling in the open field and through the line is prohibited, and is to be punished by a fifteen-yard penalty; a similar penalty for coaching from the side-lines; "when a ball has been kicked any player of the 'kicking side' shall be 'on side' as soon as the ball touches the ground;" holding is strictly defined; officials to be a referee, two umpires, and a linesman; duty of referee to impose the penalty for violation of rules reported to him by either of the umpires or the linesman; halves of a game to be thirty minutes.

### DISQUALIFICATIONS

"Striking with the fist or elbows, kneeing, kicking, striking the runner with the ball in the face with the heel of the hand on defence, meeting with the knee, striking with the locked hands by line men, in breaking through, shall be punishable by the disqualification of the guilty player for the rest of the game, and the offending team shall lose half the distance to its own goal line. It is further recommended to institutions playing under these rules that upon being disqualified a second time in a season the player be declared ineligible to play football for one year from the date of the second offence; also that this same penalty apply to the deliberate injury of an opponent, not including the offences specified or included in the next succeeding section.

### UNNECESSARY ROUGHNESS

To include piling up, tripping, tackling the runner out of bounds and all other acts of unnecessary roughness. Penalty loss of fifteen yards.

Roughing the full back shall be disqualification.

The rules outlined above are not as radical or reforming as many hoped and expected and there has been much discussion as to the effect they will have on the game. Much doubt has been expressed as to the real benefit to be derived from the proposed rules. Coach Reid of Harvard, a member of the rules committee, is reported as having said that in his opinion the game of football will be rougher the coming season because of the open play that will prevail. On the other hand, another member of the rules committee, Dr. H. L. Williams, athletic director at the University of Minnesota, takes a more optimistic view. He says, "I feel that the rules as modified will not lessen interest in football. A few of the changes, particularly the ten-

yard rule, I personally do not favor, but the majority of the committee approved. The forward pass and the provision which enables the kicking side to secure the ball after a kick as soon as it has touched the ground are features of vital importance. I believe those who attend the game next fall will find it much improved and not so greatly changed as to be unrecognizable. Open play and kicking and less mass play into the line will make the game more fascinating from the spectators' standpoint. And the rules as they stand should have the cordial support of all those who wish to see the game of football preserved as a college sport."

The new rules have been received with favor at the University of Chicago and Harvard has at least voted to give intercollegiate football another test under the new regulations. The faculty of Wisconsin have also voted to allow football, cutting out, however, the big games with Michigan, Chicago, and Minnesota.

### SOPHOMORE DECLAMATION.

The following have received appointment to the Sophomore Prize Declamation for their excellence in Rhetoric:

From the Men's Division:—Emmons Parkman Burrill, Victor Ray Jones, Arthur Winslow Libby, Frederick A. Shepherd, Ray Foster Thompson.

From the Women's Division:—Lena May Clark, Susan Angelina Corbett, Annie Alice Harthorn, Nora Mehitabel Lander, Myrta Alice Little.

### NEW YORK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

At the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Colby Alumni Association of the City of New York, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Frank H. Edmunds, '85; vice-president, E. J. Colcord, '75; secretary-treasurer, R. A. Metcalf, '86; executive committee, D. J. Gallert, '93, D. G. Munson, '92, W. H. Lyford, '79.

The address of the secretary, R. A. Metcalf, is 33 Union Square, New York. He will be very glad to enter into correspondence with any and all Colby men who seek information regarding New York City, and he will be especially pleased to learn of the prospective visit of any graduate or undergraduate of Colby to the Metropolis.

R. A. METCALF, Secretary.

### BOSTON PHI DELTA THETA ALUMNI BANQUET.

The annual banquet of the Boston Alumni Club of Phi Delta Theta occurred at the New American House in Boston, March 15, 1906. At 6.30 the brothers, about twenty-five in number, assembled in the banquet hall where a short business session was held, after which we adjourned to the dining hall. Fraternity songs, led by Clark, Colby '94, who was chorister for the evening, added zest to the excellent menu.

At about 8 o'clock the chairs were pushed back, the cigars lighted, and toastmaster Philbrick, Brown '03, introduced the speakers of the evening, who responded with interesting toasts.

The following Colby men were present: Bros. Hight '98, Clark '94, Roberts '97, Frye '05, and Peterson '07.

O. B. P., '07.

'72. Rev. H. R. Mitchell has sold his interest in the florist concern of which he was chief owner and has retired from business.

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## REFORMS IN FOOTBALL.

The past six months have been notable in the history of football in this country, for the concerted action taken by the colleges and universities in reference to the game, and for the dispatch with which football reform has been undertaken by the rules committee. The rules finally adopted, which are outlined elsewhere in this issue, are a disappointment to those who looked for radical changes in the game and seem to some but a change for the worse, so far as the improvement of the game is concerned. Many football enthusiasts, however, regard the new rules with much favor and believe the proposed reforms will do away with the majority of the evils that have arisen in recent years. This discussion of the merits and defects of the committee's work amounts to very little. The testing of the rules in actual play next fall will alone determine the extent to which this most popular college game has been changed for better or worse by the new rules. Should they prove a failure, the game will undoubtedly have to undergo extremely radical re-forming, which, President Eliot believes, would alone render football a wholesome intercollegiate sport. In the meantime football is in the balance. The crisis in the history of the game, which it was thought had come last December, is postponed until next fall.

We much regret that this issue is unavoidably a day late, owing to the editor's absence from town and to a crush of extra work at the printing office.

The Chinese Recorder states that at the present time the Chinese students in America number about 105, of whom 51 are students in American colleges, 19 of them graduate students. These young men are in the following colleges: 4 in Yale, 5 in Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 5 in Cornell, 6 in Columbia, 17 in the University of California, the others being scattered. It is interesting to notice, says the Missionary Herald, the lines of study in which these students are engaged: "Railway engineering leads, with 18; mechanical engineering and mining are next, with 9 each; law and agriculture each have 8, teaching 7, commerce 6, and medicine 5, while there are 4 each in political science, economics, electrical engineering, physics, chemistry, and textile manufacture. Over half are studying branches of engineering and kindred scientific pursuits." Boston Transcript.

## CAMPUS CHAT.

Nelson A. Mixer, ex-'08, has returned to college this term.

Several boys from Freedom Academy were visiting on the campus Saturday.

Fred H. Clark of Smithfield was visiting Kilgore, '08, at the Bricks Friday afternoon.

John E. Taylor, '09, was called to Augusta Monday on account of the illness of his father.

The athletic field is drying up very rapidly and by the last of the week will be in fine condition. The boys are putting in some light practice in preparation for the harder work to come later.

Isaac R. McCombe, '08, reader of the Colby Glee Club, went to Sanford Thursday, where he assisted in the entertainments given by the Improved Order of Redmen two evenings, Thursday evening with Mr. Loraine of Boston, entertainer and mimic, and Friday evening with the Apollo Quartette. The Musical Clubs had an invitation to participate in these entertainments but owing to the fact that all the men had not returned to college arrangements could not be made.

We clip the following from the "Maine Letter" of the issue of *The Watchman* for March 15:

"The organization of a Maine Baptist Historical Society is an event of consequence among us. The following officers have been elected: President, Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., Togus; vice-presidents, Prof. E. W. Hall, Waterville and Rev. I. B. Mower, Waterville; secretary, Rev. E. C. Whittemore, D. D., Waterville; treasurer, Horatio R. Dunham, Esq., Waterville. The depository of the society is at Waterville. Gifts are solicited. All communications should be addressed to Dr. Whittemore."

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## 1906 BASKETBALL SEASON.

### Showing Made by the Team This Year— Summary of Games.

Now that the basket-ball season is ended it is only right that a word of appreciation should be given to the team that has so successfully represented the college this winter.

The season started in with somewhat uncertain prospects. Capt. Willey, Coombs and DeWitt were left of last year's five but the other two positions were open and the matter of a strong second team for daily practice was uncertain. The number of men, however, that responded to the call of the captain was large and from these was secured a strong second team which did much to keep the 'varsity in good playing trim.

The team this season has been undoubtedly the best balanced basket-ball five put out by the college for some seasons past. Each man has not only played his own position in an acceptable manner but has given material aid to the other players so that the team has been able to develop considerable team-work. And to supplement the team-work there has been excellent work done in shooting baskets. In this part of the game especially, the team showed a marked superiority over those of former years. Not simply did the forwards and center get chances for scoring but the backs while playing excellent defensive games made chances for themselves to increase the tally. Game after game was played when every man on the team shot at least two baskets. So it was to the uniform ability rather than to the exceptional skill of any one or two of the men that the team was able to make such a creditable showing against its opponents.

The outlook for next season should not be so doubtful. Capt. Willey and Coombs will be lost by graduation but there are many likely candidates for their positions. McClellan who has acted this year as sort of utility man and has substituted off and on for both Coombs and Libby, is well able to hold down a position at either center or forward. Of this year's regular team Libby, DeWitt and Tilton will be left and with such candidates as Thompson, '07, Peterson, Cotton and McClellan the team ought not to go wanting for suitable material.

From the following summary of the games played this season it will be seen that Colby has won twelve out of fifteen. The team lost one game each to Teconnet, Guilford and U of M.—in each case in the game away from home. In the return games the 'varsity found no difficulty in defeating these same teams by good scores.

#### Summary:

Dec. 9, Colby 44, Teconnet 22.  
Jan. 10, Colby 23, Teconnet 40.  
Jan. 13, Colby 30, Coburn 13.  
Jan. 19, Colby 23, Hebron 13.  
Jan. 27, Colby 28, Ricker 19.  
Jan. 31, Colby 52, Oak Grove 11.  
Feb. 3, Colby 18, U. of M. 27.  
Feb. 10, Colby 20, U. of M. 13.  
Feb. 16, Colby 29, Tufts 22.  
Feb. 23, Colby 37, Hebron 17.  
Feb. 25, Colby 24, Guilford 31.  
Feb. 29, Colby 29, Teconnet 23.  
Mar. 3, Colby 24, Coburn 16.  
Mar. 5, Colby 45, Guilford 17.  
Mar. 6, Colby 30, Teconnet 11.

In a recent number of the Lewiston Journal was an item stating that Professor Arvid Reuter Dahl, who had the department of Physics here last year, is now Assistant Professor of Physics in the high school at Spokane, Washington. Harold L. Pepper, '06, recently passed the examinations for commissioned officers in the national guard and has received his commission as Captain of Company H, 2d Maine regiment.

'04. Vernon S. Ames, is instructor in the Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.

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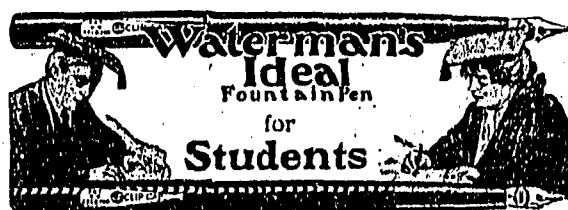
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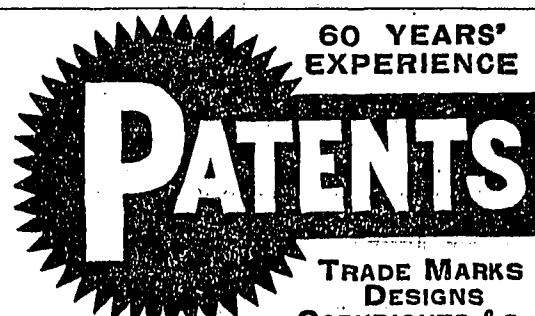
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## DE FEMINIS

Bertha M. Robinson, Editor, '07.

Edith Priest, '07, spent Sunday at her home in Vassalboro.

Georgia Connor, '07, returned to college Monday.

Berta and Jeanette Baldwin returned to college Saturday evening.

Beatrice Caldwell, '06, has returned to college much improved in health.

Mollie Pearce, '08, spent the vacation in Portland with Bertha Bangs, '08.

Miss Agnes Clark of Waterville was the guest of Miss Caldwell, Sunday.

Ragnhild Iverson, '08, spent her vacation with Angie Corbett, '08, in Foxcroft.

Pearl Davis, '09, visited friends in Cambridge, Mass., during her vacation.

Miriam Emory, '07, will not return to college this term. She will teach in Norridgewock.

Miss Carrie Noyes, '08, and Miss Mary Abbott, ex-'08, now Mt. Holyoke '08, were guests at Foss Hall Saturday evening.

Miss Alice Colby, ex-'08, has entered Dr. King's Hospital, Portland, to take a course of training preparatory for nursing.

At the second Freshman Reading held the last Wednesday of the winter term prizes were awarded to Alice Henderson and Ethel Knowlton.

The women appointed to take part in the Sophomore Declamation are: Annie Hartborne, Nora Lander, Angie Corbett, Myrta Little and Lena Clark.

Friday evening, several of her friends gave Inez Bowler, '07, a pleasant surprise, games were played and refreshments of ice cream and birthday cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel H. Clark of Freedom, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lena May Clark, Colby College '08, to Ralph Maurice Richardson of East Baldwin, undergraduate of Bowdoin College.

### SPECIAL NOTICE.

The Co-ords will give a musical and literary treat to their friends and patrons in the Coburn gymnasium next Tuesday evening at eight o'clock. The new piano at Foss Hall must be paid for and all who appreciate good music or the pleasant times at the Hall which demand a piano, should take special interest in helping this cause along. After the program the time will be devoted to the usual jolly social. Everybody turn out and make the affair a success financially and socially.

### ALUMNI NOTES.

'78. W. C. Burnham's address is Roslindale, Mass.

'82. Herbert S. Weaver, teacher in one of the Boston Schools, visited the college recently.

'87. W. F. Watson, Professor of Chemistry, Furman University, S. C., has an illustrated article in the "Technical World Magazine" for April, describing the characteristics of blood discs, examined under the microscope.

'87. Harvey D. Eaton was recently elected President of the Waterville Board of Trade.

ex-'98. Arthur L. Holmes has been chosen City Marshal by the Waterville city government.

'01. On March 7, Ernest E. Ventres was ordained into the ministry at the Baptist Church in North Hanover, Mass. Rev. Arthur W. Cleaves, '98, was clerk of the ordaining council.

'01. The marriage of Miss May Bragg to Arthur F. Weston, M. D., of Keene, N. H., is announced.

ex-'08. In this column in our last issue it was stated that L. Eugene Thayer had been elected city clerk of Waterville. We should have said clerk of the common council.

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"Aspire to greater things" says the Nutmeg,  
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