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## IMPRESSIONS OF OXFORD.

Soule, '04, Further Describes Student Life in England.

(Concluded from last issue.)

Never did I think, when I used to read about the disgraceful custom of afternoon tea in the English universities, that I should ever become the supporter of so effeminate and "old-maidish" a practice, but "tempora mutantur" and like most of the other Americans I feel that day lost whose sun has set upon a cheerless and tea-less afternoon. One eats a very light lunch, consisting generally of bread and cheese and beer, and then goes out to the river or the track or the football or cricket field, for such is the universal custom and woe to him who is not athletically inclined. He is forthwith labelled as a "Rotter" and shunned by all true Britons. At four or half-past, one returns with a healthy feeling of weariness and ravenously hungry, and seven o'clock and hall dinner seem years away. What shall one do? Go about gnashing his teeth and seeking whom he may devour for three mortal hours? Not so. Some bright spirit many years ago evolved the idea of afternoon tea, and now every member of the University religiously drinks his health in steaming tea before a blazing fire with a circle of boon companions, and between mouthfuls of delicious "hotters" and cake expatiates upon the events in the day's sports. "What a waste of time!" says the practical American, and yet looking back after a year's experience, he realizes that some of his most profitable and pleasant hours have been thus spent.

All the other meals are served in one's rooms, but dinner is taken in "Hall." The ancient custom of "sconcing," observed at this meal is most interesting to an American. A "sconce" is the penalty exacted by the senior member of a table for any one of a multitude of offences. Punning is a fruitful source of sconces and so is "talking shop"; that is, speaking about one's tutors or one's studies. One may also be sconced for violent language, for the use of quotations, or for coming into Hall wearing a flannel collar, although this rule is often disregarded. When a sconce has been imposed the scout brings to the offending member a heavy silver tankard holding about a quart of bitter English beer. If he is able to "down the sconce" without taking breath he has the privilege of sconcing every other member of the table, but if not, the sconce is passed round and round the table until emptied. If the main sconced believes that the sconce has been imposed unjustly, he may appeal to the decision of the Dons and Fellows who sit at the "High Table" at one end of the hall. Imagine the faculty of a staid American college gravely debating whether a man shall be compelled to drink a quart of beer or not! But this is Oxford and here it is no crime to drink beer, no, not even when one is in training, though then the quantity is strictly limited.

Before closing, it may be remarked that it would be difficult to find a place more democratic in regard to dress than is Oxford. Comfort is the main consideration; appearance hardly seems to be considered at all. The ordinary dress is a loose-fitting Norfolk jacket with an old pair of trousers, the older and more disreputable the better. In fact, many Americans who were fortunate enough to bring over cast-off suits to wear on possible fishing expeditions are using them without shame for daily wear and

are saving their better suits for their return to America. Every sport, however, has its appropriate costume, and it would never occur to a true Oxonian to deviate in any particular from the established usage which has been hallowed by untold generations of Oxford men. The athletic costumes are much more picturesque than ours, for instead of earning the right to wear his college letter by playing on different teams, each sport has its "blazer" or jacket, and there are sometimes ties and socks to match. As the blazers are generally tastefully gotten up in the college colours, the general effect is quite pleasing and the right to wear them is highly cherished.

It is very interesting to watch the transformation of the average American as he becomes more and more "Oxfordized." At first he pooh-poohs the idea that his residence in England will change him to any appreciable extent. Soon, however, he discards his American head-gear and assumes the orthodox English cap. His well-cut American suit is replaced by a slouchy but comfortable Norfolk jacket and fancy vest, and the crease imperceptibly fades from his trousers and is not renewed. He undulates his voice to a greater extent in conversation, and when he breaks inadvertently into a breakfast party, he does not say "beg pardon" but "I'm sorry" with the true Oxford intonation. These are mere outward changes, however, and he will return in three years none the worse for his residence abroad, but a true American to the core with a very warm spot in his heart for "Our English Cousins."

## PORTLAND BEATEN 9-8, 2-1.

The two games with the Portland Athletics last Wednesday forenoon and afternoon were won easily by Colby 9-8 and 2-1. The team fielded exceptionally well, Palmer's magnificent catch of a hard fly bringing forth great applause from the crowd of spectators. The base running was also above the average. Shaw pitched in the forenoon striking out four men; Coombs in the afternoon, striking out nine men and allowing no hits.

In the evening the members of the team were entertained at the Jefferson Theatre by Dr. Alfred King, '88, a member of the board of trustees, whose kindness was much appreciated by all the boys.

## JUNIOR ARTICLES.

The following articles have received appointment to the Junior Exhibition which will occur at the Baptist church Saturday evening, June 23.

### MEN.

- A Justification of Those Who Persecuted the Salem Witches, Arthur W. Stetson.  
Building Castles in the Air, Millard C. Moore.  
The Increasing Influence of the Press, Ralph B. Young.  
The Organization of American Labor, Arthur K. Winslow.

### WOMEN.

- Old and New Charity, Addie B. Holway.  
Titian, Lubelle M. Hall.  
In Memoriam, Alice R. Tyler.  
The Classical Element in Modern Literature, Hattie S. Fossett.

## U. of M. AGAIN DEFEATED.

A Pitchers' Battle—Coombs Scores the Only Run.

Once more a victory has been chalked up to Colby's credit. This time as the result of last Saturday's game in which the 'varsity won from the U. of M. team by a single score. This gives us thirteen victories out of the fourteen scheduled games played thus far—not a very bad showing for Captain John's team after all. The game can well be termed a pitcher's battle for both Coombs and Frost were in grand trim and each anxious to carry off the honors. That they both acquitted themselves creditably can be judged from the number of hits, Coombs allowing one, Frost four.

The most sensational play of the game and one that proved to be of the greatest importance to the home team came in Colby's half of the second inning. Coombs was the first man up and after Umpire Carrigan had called one strike on him "Cy" proceeded to have a little fun of his own. The second ball over, he lit on and sent it skimming along the ground just to the right of second. Burns made a pretty stab for the ball but failed to reach it and breathed a prayer of relief on thinking how near he had come to being bored through. By this time the ball was bumping around on the underpinning of Coburn Hall and when it had once more come back to the in-field John was already across the plate with what proved to be the only run of the game.

What would have been the outcome had it not been for Coomb's score is hard to conjecture. Both teams were playing an almost faultless fielding game and had neither pitcher weakened, they might still be playing an extra inning game. Each team made one error, neither of which, however, figured in the final result.

Three men at the bat an inning was Maine's average and in putting them out, the battery, with the efficient aid of Tilton and Willey, did the larger share of the work. Tilton's work at second should not be passed by unmentioned for it was excellent. But what is true of him is true of the others for there's not a man on the team that doesn't deserve a good deal of credit for his work last Saturday.

The summary follows:

COLBY.										
	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e			
Tribou, lf,	3	0	1	1	2	0	0			
Dwyer, c,	3	0	0	0	7	1	0			
Craig, 3b,	3	0	1	1	2	1	0			
Coombs, p,	3	1	2	5	2	2	0			
Willey, 1b,	3	0	0	0	11	0	0			
Tilton, 2b,	3	0	0	0	2	6	0			
Shaw, cf,	3	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Reynolds, ss,	3	0	0	0	1	0	1			
Palmer, rf,	3	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Totals,	27	1	4	7	24	10	1			

MAINE.										
	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e			
McDonald, rf,	4	0	1	1	0	0	0			
Scales, ss,	3	0	0	0	1	0	0			
Burns, 2b,	3	0	0	0	2	2	0			
Frost, p,	3	0	0	0	0	1	0			
Quint, lf,	3	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Chrase, cf,	3	0	0	0	3	1	0			
Higgins, 3b,	3	0	0	0	3	3	0			
Cordon, c	1	0	0	0	1	0	0			

## CALENDAR.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8.

10.00 a.m.—Exhibition game (Ivy Day) with Bowdoin at Brunswick.

8.00 p. m.—Reception by Pres. and Mrs. White, to Seniors and invited friends.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9.

3.00 p. m.—Baseball game with Bates at Lewiston.

MONDAY, JUNE 11.

8.30 p. m.—Junior Promenade at Elks Hall.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13.

3.00 p. m.—Baseball game with Bates on Alumni Field.

Blossom, c	2	0	0	0	8	0	0
Mayo, 1b,	3	0	0	0	6	0	1

Totals, 28 0 1 1 27 7 1

Colby, 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 x—1

Maine, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Earned run—Colby. Home run—

Coombs. Stolen bases—Craig, Mc-

Donald. Struck out—By Coombs,

Scales 2, Burns, Frost, Quint,

Chase, Gordon; by Frost, Dwyer 2,

Shaw, 2, Reynolds 2, Palmer.

Double plays—Higgins and Mayo;

Chase and Higgins. Wild pitch—

Coombs. Base on balls—Off Coombs

1. Umpire, Carrigan. Time, 1.45.

Attendance, 1000.

## HUTCHINS—WHITE.

Fred E. Hutchins, ex-'06, and Miss Grace L. White, of Freedom were married last Wednesday morning by Rev. A. D. Dodge at the Free Baptist parsonage. Mr. Hutchins was obliged to leave college at the end of his sophomore year because of serious trouble with his eyes. He is now in the employ of the Hollingsworth and Whitney Company. Mrs. Hutchins was a school teacher in Freedom.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

At the election of the officers of the Advocate Publishing Company held last week in Portland, Hon. Percival Bonney, '63, was chosen president, Wilford G. Chapman, '83, secretary, and Rev. J. K. Wilson, editor and treasurer.

'97. Herbert S. Philbrick, who has been at his home in the city for the past week, returned to Boston Monday and yesterday received his diploma from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he has been pursuing a four year's course in Mechanical Engineering.

'98. John E. Nelson and Frank W. Alden, both '98, were elected respectively chairman and secretary of the Waterville delegates to the county Republican convention to be held in Augusta, June 7. The Waterville delegation will support Dana P. Foster, '91, for the office of county attorney.

'95. Announcements have been received in the city of the approaching marriage of William Lee Waters, formerly superintendent of schools here, now practicing law in Seattle, Wash., and Miss Hattie Day Norton, daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Norton of that city. The wedding will occur on June 14.

## GAME POSTPONED.

On account of the rain the game with Bates scheduled for this afternoon has been postponed one week.

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## A MATTER OF OBLIGATION.

Recently the Echo was prompted by curiosity to inquire of the treasurer of the college the proportion of graduates who return to the college the amount granted them as scholarship aid, in their application for which they declared it their "intention, if able thereafter, to return to the fund from which they might receive aid the whole amount received." We were somewhat but not altogether surprised to learn that but three persons have done this since the present treasurer came into office on May first 1902. Two of these were recent women graduates; the other, belonging to the men's division, is still in college. Such a state of affairs seems to us to call for some energetic prodding, for the college annually disburses on the average some six thousand dollars in the way of aid to deserving students with apparently no prospect of reimbursement. This is decidedly not as it should be. At least 80 per cent of the students here at Colby receive substantial scholarships, without which they could hardly obtain the education for which they come to college. One would naturally think that a graduate as soon as he is able would be only too glad to return to his alma mater the funds she so generally offered him. Especially so since in making application for scholarship aid he signed a statement of his intention so to do. The student at any college pays a merely nominal sum for an education of a value to great too be reckoned in dollars. Yet when he becomes able to reimburse the institution to which he owes so much, he is forgetful of his great obligation, even when he has practically promised to make full return of all sums given him. As students we accept our scholarships altogether too much as a matter of course, when they are actually outright gifts, amounting to a considerable sum on the credit side of the treasurer's books. The Echo would take this opportunity to urge all students and alumni who have had the privileges of scholarships to be ever

mindful of that fact and, as soon as they are able, to repay the college in so far as they may for their eternal obligation to her. Such should not be the unusual and extraordinary action, as it unquestionably is now, but rather what is only to be expected of men of intelligence and moral responsibility. Consider of how much assistance the alumni of the college could be in lightening its financial burden if they would simply pay back the money so freely loaned them. Yet this would be but a partial fulfillment of the obligation they are forever under to their alma mater, which, strictly speaking, does not involve their loyalty but merely their sense of honor and responsibility.

## CAMPUS CHAT.

A. W. Austin, ex-'07, was calling on friends at the college Thursday.

J. P. Nichols, '08, spent a week at his home in Cherryfield recently.

Several members of the Colby band assisted the Gardiner band Memorial Day.

President White spoke at the French Protestant convention held in this city Tuesday.

W. S. Stevens, '06, left on the ten o'clock Sunday night for a short business trip to New York.

P. W. Mitchell, ex-'06, was visiting friends in the city and at the Bricks a week ago Saturday and Sunday.

Horace W. Newenham, '01, one of Colby's famous pitchers, has been engaged as baseball coach for the rest of the season.

Wilford Chapman, a sophomore in the Portland High School recently visited his brother, Clark D. Chapman, '09, for a few days.

Rev. B. Richard H. Baker, '83, preached in the Baptist church Sunday morning. Mr. Baker is now pastor of the first Baptist church at Mt. Holly, N. J.

The members of the senior delegation of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity were very pleasantly entertained Friday evening by Norman K. Fuller, '98, at his home on Gilman street.

Invitations are out to the Junior Prom which will be held next Monday evening at Elks Hall. Music will be furnished by Wentworth's orchestra of this city.

Among the out-of-town alumni present at the ball game with U. of M. Saturday were Principal Harry B. Watson, '97, of Hinckley, Percival E. Hathaway, '02, of South Paris, and Allen Clark, '04, of Augusta.

The prizes for the Sophomore Declaration were awarded as follows: Men's Division,—first prize, Emmons P. Burrill; second prize, V. Ray Jones; Women's Division, first prize, Angelina S. Corbett; second prize, Myrta A. Little.

The members of the chorus choir at the Congregational church were very pleasantly entertained Friday evening by Mrs. Professor White and Miss Hattie Parmenter, '89, at the former's home. Nearly all of the members are students in Colby so that it was quite a college affair.

At a meeting of the Musical Clubs held recently a small "dividend" was declared as the profits of the season's trips and the following officers were chosen for next year: Manager, L. W. Dunn, '07; Leader of Glee Club, H. B. Betts, '07; Leader of Mandolin Club, S. E. Whitten, '08.

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## PRIZE AWARDED TO COLBY WOMAN.

Dr. Black received the announcement Monday morning that Miss Alice Hope Davies' '06, had been awarded the Mary Floyd Neely Memorial Prize of twenty-five dollars offered annually by the Colonial Dames of the state of Maine for the best essay or article on some subject in the colonial history of Maine written by a woman pursuing an undergraduate course in history in a Maine college. The subject of Miss Davies' article was Arnold's March Through Maine.

The awarding of the prize reflects great credit not only upon the successful competitor but also upon the historical department and the college.

The following extract from the letter of announcement speaks well for the excellence of the three articles submitted by Colby women. "The three essays from Colby were of unusual merit, it seemed to the committee and we congratulate the college on its excellent showing with the hope that the enthusiasm in competition may grow stronger each year."

## COLLEGE BIBLE CLASSES.

On Friday evening, June 1st, the members of W. P. Beck's and Mrs. A. G. Pepper's Sunday school classes together with invited friends were given a reception at the Baptist church parlors. A large number were present and a most delightful evening was passed. After the guests had been received by the reception committee, refreshments were served. The bible class quartette consisting of B. F. Jones, '07, Charles Rush, '07, W. G. Frye, '09, and Lovett, '08, rendered to selections and then Professor Beck, the toastmaster of the evening, called upon the following who responded to the toasts called for: Mrs. C. L. White, Hon. Horace Purinton, Rev. Dr. Pepper, Miss Inez N. Stevenson '07, Charles Rush '07, and Mrs. A. G. Pepper.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

At the dedication of the Freeport Public Library, May 26, a poem was read entitled The Book, written for the occasion by Harry Lyman Koopman, of the class of '80, who is the librarian of Brown University.

'98. Frank W. Alden, received a letter recently from his classmate, Henry Lysander Corson, Colby '98, stating that his law office in San Francisco was totally destroyed by the earthquake and fire. He and his partner had just purchased a complete library of law books from one of the old lawyers of the city, who had retired and had just got them installed in their office. The young men have set up a law office at their home in Oakland.—Waterville Mail.

'00. The engagement has been announced of Fred Lawrence and Miss Frances Stevens, both of Skowhegan.

'01. Monday evening May, 14, Wallace Purinton, '01, and Miss Florence L. Wilbur, of Augusta, were married at the groom's home in Augusta. Miss Bertha M. Purinton, ex-'05, a sister of the groom was maid of honor while Solon Purinton, also ex-'05, played the wedding march. Mrs. Purinton is a graduate of Oak Grove Seminary of the class of 1904. The happy couple are enjoying a short wedding trip, after which they will make their home at 48 Middle street Augusta. Mr. Purinton is at present associated with the firm of Purinton Brothers.

'05 The engagement is announced of Henry Neely Jones, of Camden, and Miss Cora Crommet of this city.

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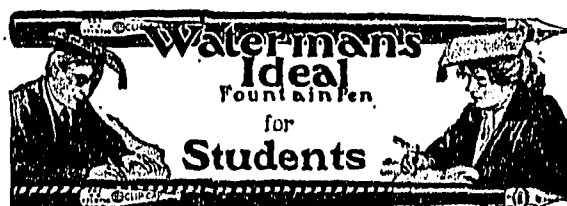
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## DE FEMINIS.

Bertha M. Robinson, '07 Editor.

Miss Riley, of Livermore Falls, is visiting La Verna Gibbs, '09.

Anna Boynton, '06, spent Memorial Day at her home in Skowhegan.

Mrs. Dean, of Hallowell, was the guest of Eva Plummer, Saturday.

Miss Maud Rokes, of Camden, is the guest of Marian Wadsworth, '09.

Marian Wadsworth, '09, paid a brief visit to her home in Camden recently.

Mr. Louis Hopkins, of Dartmouth College called on friends at Foss Hall recently.

Nellie P. Winslow, '07, spent Saturday with Marion D. Mayo, '09, of Fairfield.

Miss Cleo Churchill of Portland is spending a few days with Abbie Hague '09.

Frank Boynton and friend Robert Merrill, of Skowhegan, visited Anna Boynton, '06, Sunday.

Miss Grace Balentine, '02, of Livermore Falls, was the guest of friends at Palmer House Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Record, of Livermore Falls, has been the recent guest of her daughter, Agrandece Record '09.

Hortense Philbrick, ex-'07, of Waterville was the guest of friends at the Hall, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Emory and Miriam Emory, '07, of Norridgewock were at Foss Hall, Saturday.

Several members of the Mandolin Club played in Fairfield Thursday evening at a temperance lecture given at the Methodist church.

The sixth annual initiation of Chi Gamma Theta was held up-stream on Wednesday, May 30th followed by an informal spread. The initiates from 1909 were: Agrandece Record, Ragnhild Iverson, Abbie Hague, Maude Eaton, Ethel Butler, Marion Goodwin, Marion Goodwin, Winnibel Gower and Pearl Davis.

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## BASEBALL STANDING.

Below is the standing of the teams in the Maine college championship games up to today noon. U. of M., has no more games to play, so that its standing will remain as it now is.

If Colby wins one game from Bates the latter's percentage will be reduced to 400, if both games, to 333, which will be next to the last place in the series. If Colby loses two of the remaining three games to be played she will be tied with Bowdoin.

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Bowdoin,	3	2	.600
Bates,	2	2	.500
Maine,	1	5	.167

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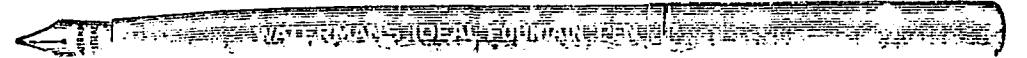
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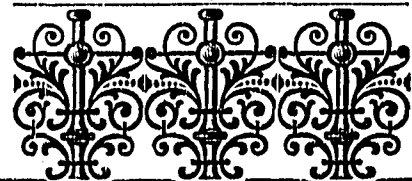
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