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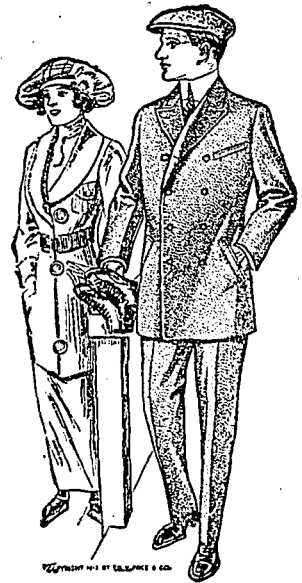
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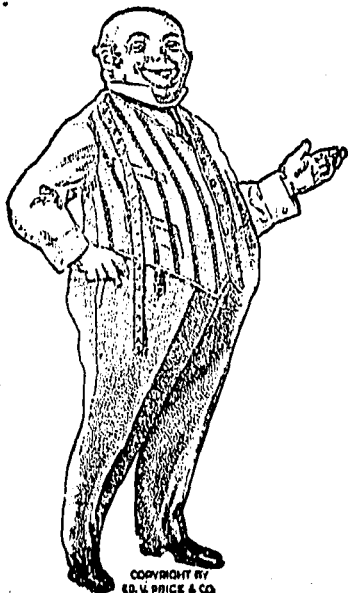
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## CHICAGO COLBY ALUMNI MEETING.

The second annual meeting of the Colby men in Chicago was held Friday evening, December 12th, at the University Club.

The following Chicago men were present: Messrs. A. W. Small, Nathaniel Butler, W. G. Lyford, Charles P. Small, Dana W. Hall, James King, F. D. Mitchell, H. S. Philbrick, Sheppard E. Butler, Ray W. Hogan, Samuel A. Herrick, I. L. Cleveland, Franklin W. Johnson.

In addition to these D. W. Parsons of Minneapolis was a welcome guest. The occasion was given special significance by the presence of President Roberts who had come on to attend the meeting. Shailer Mathews was on this date meeting an important engagement in Oklahoma City, and Sanford A. Baker and Dr. A. M. Frew both of whom had intended to be present, were at the last moment unable to attend.

Personal letters had been sent by the president or secretary of the association to the sixty men who represent Colby in the states of Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Of these states, Minnesota leads with eighteen men, coming close after Illinois with twenty-four. It had been hoped that a considerable number of these men could come to Chicago, but distances are long and men are busy and only Parsons was able to respond to the call. Letters filled with good feeling were read from a large number of alumni.

The interest of the evening centered in the report of President Roberts, given with characteristic modesty, but indicating plainly the development in number of students and faculty, in material equipment and endowment, and, perhaps better than all, in fine spirit among students, faculty, and alumni, which has marked the period of his administration. It was obvious to all of us, whether contemporaries of the President or of an earlier generation, that the cause for this recent development is the man himself, vigorous,

industrious, sympathetic, generous, modest, seeing clearly the direction in which Colby's largest usefulness lies, and working toward this with unsparing devotion.

There were no formal speeches but all sat about the round table and shared in the informal talk which ranged from personal reminiscences to discussion of the present life and plans for the future of the college. The Colby men in Chicago are particularly interested in placing recent graduates in business positions in the middle west where they may have opportunity to grow into the great industrial and commercial activities that center here. Hogan and Herrick who came to Swift and Company a year ago have made good and are advancing. Cleveland who came out this year to the same company is making a good start. Carroll, who is with a travelling auditor of the International Harvester Company in Alberta, Canada, secured his position through King, who is prominent in the auditing department of this great organization. There are openings here for well trained Colby boys, who are self-controlled and willing to work. The older Colby men are ready to secure positions for such, thinking that this is a real service to the College as well as to the young men themselves.

Nathaniel Butler, ('73) was elected president to succeed Albion W. Small, and Franklin W. Johnson was re-elected secretary.

F. W. JOHNSON, '91.

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Last year there were two hundred and forty-three contributors to the Christmas fund; this year there are two hundred and eighty-one. Of those who gave last year, one hundred and forty-three contributed again this year; if all had done so, the total number of givers this year would be almost four hundred. It ought to be a thousand! This Christmas giving affords everybody an opportunity to help swell the income of the College. Perhaps not every Colby graduate could this year

have spared twenty-five dollars to increase the endowment of the College; but everybody could have paid a year's interest on that amount at four per cent.

This year the Christmas gifts total twenty-eight hundred and forty-eight dollars and ninety cents,—an entirely satisfactory amount, considering the number of givers: but if all to whom the Christmas letter was sent had given—instead of only one in five—how greatly would the efficiency of the College be increased for 1914! and how greatly the hope and courage of us all as we think of its future!

Special thanks are due those givers who, although not members of the College, approve of what is being done here and are glad to support our work.

#### PROFESSOR LIBBY.

The illness of Professor Libby, who has been absent from the campus since the Christmas vacation, is deeply regretted by the student body and the community in general. Favorable reports of his condition are current and it is hoped that he will soon be with us again. Professor Libby's work touches the college in so many places that his presence is greatly missed.

#### DR. LITTLE LECTURES ON "EXTINCT MONSTERS."

A large number of Colby students, faculty members, and Waterville people attended, Monday evening, at Chemical Hall, the first of the series of lectures to be given during the winter for the benefit of the college library. The speaker was Dr. Homer P. Little, professor of geology, and his subject was "Extinct Monsters." His remarks were illustrated by stereopticon slides, which were shown under the direction of Robert H. Bowen, '14.

Dr. Little began his address with a brief introduction to the subject of geology in general. He said that the subject could be studied under various subdivisions: the forces that act on the earth's crust; the material of the earth's crust; the structure of the crust; and, lastly, the history of the earth.

The lecture was very interesting and instructive. Typical forms of the reptiles and mammals of early days were shown on the screen.

The next lecture will be given at the chapel, by Dr. Grover, Monday evening, January 26th, on "The Bureau of Standards,—Our National Measuring Laboratory."

#### MUSICAL CLUBS MAKE SUCCESSFUL AROOSTOOK TRIP.

The combined musical clubs made a most successful trip through Aroostook, during the Christmas vacation. Starting at Corinna, Monday evening, December 29, concerts were given each evening,—at Houlton on Tuesday, at Bridgewater on Wednesday, at Caribou on Thursday, at Fort Fairfield on Friday, at Dover and Foxcroft on Saturday, the clubs remaining at the last named places over Sunday, giving a concert at Dexter on Monday, and returning to the college Tuesday morning. The fellows reported a most enjoyable trip and a royal entertainment; and the business manager uncovered several smiles. The glee club received many encores, Mr. Pratt was every where applauded for his most artistic work upon the violin, the orchestra met with universal approval, and the mandolin club was reported as being the best in years. Claude A. LaBelle, '17, proved an excellent reader, and an original sketch by Jones, '14, Brann, '14, Marston, '16, Brunelle, '17, Carroll, '17, and Weston, '16, made a tremendous hit.

The personnel of the clubs:

Glee club: F. H. Jones, '14, leader, Brunelle, '17, Marston, '16, Brann, '14, Johnson, '14, J. A. Campbell, '17, Arey, '15, Drummond, '15, Shea, '17, Carpenter, '14, Wyman, '14, H. S. Pratt, '17, Pendergast, '15, Carroll, '17, Fuller, '14, Smith, '16, Haskell, '14, Weston, '15, Stevens, '16, Morse, '14.

Mandolin club: A. D. Gilbert, '15, leader, Campbell, '17, Drummond, '15, Wyman, '14, Lovett, '17, Lincoln, '16, G. W. Pratt, '14, Johnson, '14, Smith, '16, Whelden, '15, Fuller, '14, Arey, '15, H. S. Pratt, '17.

Orchestra: G. W. Pratt, '14, leader, Hutchins, '15, Shea, '17, Haskell, '14, Johnson, '14, Morse, '14, Lincoln, '16, Morgan, '15, H. S. Pratt, '17, Gilbert, '15, Stevens, '16, Arey, '15.

#### NEW COURSE IN GERMAN.

Dr. Marquardt offers, for the second semester of the current year, a course in Advanced Scientific German, elective for those who have completed German 5 and 6.

## CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM COMPETES IN NEW YORK CITY.

The Colby boys, have in their vacation, participated in two sets of athletic games. Those held on New Year's eve, at the 71st Regiment Armory in New York, and those at the Amateur Athletic Championships, on January 3rd, held in the 13th Regiment Armory, Brooklyn.

On New Year's eve, a mile relay team represented us—securing fourth place in a field of eight teams—the race being won by the fast New York A. C. quartet. The men on our team were: Weg, Waldron, Golden and Thompson. Merrill, '16, who was slated to run found it impossible to go over to New York.

At the Amateur Championships, all the men did creditably, Waldron showing a fine burst of speed in the 600-yard dash, winning one of the two heats and securing fourth place in the final. The other men while not placing in their respective events, ran in such a manner that we may feel well satisfied. Sensational work was not expected from the boys, as they had just discontinued five mile road work, and could hardly adapt themselves to indoor dash work.

The desired result however, was secured, for we made the many thousand spectators know that Colby College had a representative track team of worthy calibre. An interesting feature of the visit was the many Colby alumni that the boys met, several having come to the meet for the express purpose of seeing the boys.

Manager Merrill, '14, acted as an official at the Amateur Championships for which he received a very fine gold medal, as a souvenir.

## RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP OF STATE TO BE DECIDED AT B. A. A. MEET.

Candidates for the 390 relay team are working faithfully, each day. The team will run at the Boston Athletic Association games to be held in Mechanics Building, on February 7th.

More significance will be attached to the race this year than in the past, as it will be run for the relay championship of the Maine colleges. Hitherto there has been no title at stake, and the race has meant nothing more to us than would a victory over Bates in the football series,

with no games to be played against Maine or Bowdoin.

For this reason alone every man in college should support the relay team—we want a victory.

At present, the men working out are Lowney, I. Merrill, Waldron, Bowen, Reynolds, Adams, Royal, Everett, Curtis, Goffing, M. Pratt, Golden, Thompson, Weg, Webster and Thompson. The coach is well pleased with the outlook.

## SOCIAL EVENTS.

The Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity held a very enjoyable dance at the Club House, Friday, December 19th. There were about thirty-five couples present. Rollins, '13, furnished music for the evening. Among the ladies present were Misses Peacock, Daggett, Stevens, Vincent, Singer, French, Morrisette, Clarkin, Pollard, Farrington, Dresser, Learned, Ordway, Butler, Towne, Hannan, Chamberlain, Webb, Simpson, Meservey, Fletcher, Lord, Bradlee. Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Ervin acted as chaperones.

Friday evening, December twenty-fifth, the Dekes had a dance at their fraternity house. There were about fifteen couples present and all had a jolly time. The chaperones were Prof. and Mrs. Crowell and Mrs. Caldwell. The music was given by the Gilbert-Stevens orchestra.

The members of the Colby chapter of Delta Upsilon held an informal dance at A. O. U. W. hall Friday evening, December 18th. Dr. and Mrs. T. Bryce Ashcraft were the chaperones. Music was furnished by Hutchins' orchestra.

The members of the Colby Commons club were the invited guests of Maine Gamma Alpha of Alpha Tau Omega at an address delivered by Dr. J. F. Hill, of this city, last Wednesday evening. The remarks of Dr. Hill were worthy of attention, and a pleasant time was had.

## GYMNASIUM CLASSES.

The schedule of classes in gymnasium work is given as follows:

Freshmen: 1st Division—Monday and Friday at eleven o'clock; 2nd Division—Tuesday and Thursday at eleven o'clock.

Sophomores: Monday and Thursday at four o'clock.

Juniors: Tuesday at four o'clock.



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Now that outdoor attractions are rather quiet, and we turn to indoor activities, further mention of the class of 1888 prizes is perhaps apropos. These are to be valuable additions to our prize list. They are offered to Seniors and Juniors, and are worth competing for. Let's remember them along with the others.

At this time, also, we might take the liberty to make a suggestion to the alumni. The class of 1906 cup is to be awarded annually to the class which is represented at the Alumni Luncheon at Commencement by the largest percentage of its living graduates. It is to be awarded for the first time, at the next Commencement. Mr. Rex W. Dodge, '06, President of the Alumni Association, is all the time doing something to keep alumnus and college close together; and we believe his labors are appreciated.

Instead of prophesying the numberless horrible catastrophes and gruesome events which evil omens might seem to portend, we feel, in editing this first issue of 1914, to predict a most prosperous season for Colby. Not being able to call all the planets by their first names, we are not sufficiently versed in astrology to name all the good things coming Colby's way; but we can glimpse a few: Captain James's heroes are scheduled to bring

home the bunting in baseball, this year; the track championship lies directly in our path; and on the gridiron we refuse even one out of the three championship games. Let us hope that we are correct in these predictions. May this year be not only the most prosperous one we have ever known, but the poorest we shall ever experience.

## BOWLING LEAGUE.

Victories in this year's matches in the inter-fraternity bowling league have been distributed exceptionally evenly among the contestants—one for each, so far as they went around. The totals are given as follows:

Thursday, January 8:	
Zeta Psi	1365
Delta Upsilon	1234
Friday, January 9:	
Delta Kappa Epsilon	1354
Phi Delta Theta	1146
Saturday, January 10:	
Alpha Tau Omega	1237
Zeta Psi	1226
Tuesday, January 13:	
Delta Upsilon	1272
Phi Delta Theta	1220

The standing of the teams now is:

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Zeta Psi	4	1	.800
Delta Upsilon	4	1	.800
Alpha Tau Omega	2	2	.500
Delta Kappa Epsilon	1	2	.333
Phi Delta Theta	0	5	.000

## MOSES CAMPBELL MITCHELL.

During the vacation, news of the death of Moses Campbell Mitchell, '62, was received at the college. Mr. Mitchell died at his home in Billerica, Mass., Monday, December 22. He was born in Temple, Maine, January 27, 1838, and was graduated from Colby in the class of 1862. The next year he was principal of Farmington High school, and since then he has taught at Pratt Free High school, Middleboro, Mass., Wilton Academy, Maine, Duke County Academy, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., and Fam. Sch. for Boys. Since 1878 he has been proprietor of Mitchell's Military Boys' school at Billerica.

Mr. Mitchell made great success at his chosen vocation, and numbered many friends who had been his pupils, besides a host of others. He was a frequent visitor



at the college, and was well known about the city. He leaves a widow who is a sister of Henry T. Hanson, of this city, and a son, Alexander H. Mitchell, of the class of 1902.

#### GEORGE MARSHALL PRESTON.

The sudden death of Rev. George Marshall Preston of the class of 1852 occurred Friday night at his home in Medford, Mass. Mr. Preston was among the oldest alumni of Colby, and was held in great respect by all. He was born in Beverley, Mass., April 23, 1830, and, after graduation from Colby, attended Newton Theological Seminary, 1852 to 1855. On December 26, 1855, he was ordained in the Baptist church at Sturbridge, Mass., where he was pastor until 1858, when he accepted a call to Medford. He was at Medford for 10 years and then at Wooster, Ohio, until 1871. Other pastorates include: Independence, Iowa, 1871-1873; Old Town, Me., 1873-1878; Lanesboro, Mass., 1878-1880; Cheshire, Mass., 1880-1890, and Granville, Mass., 1890-1896, when he retired. Since that time he has lived alternately at Brunswick, Me., and Medford, Mass.

At Colby Mr. Preston was a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. He was a deep student of Latin, Greek and Hebrew and made a practice of reading the New Testament through in the original Greek at least once a year. He had read the entire Bible in Hebrew three times. His funeral was held from the Medford Baptist church, Sunday afternoon.

#### FACULTY NOTES.

Professors Hedman and Maxfield attended the meetings of the Modern Language Association at Cambridge, Mass., last week.

Librarian Chipman acted as official representative of Colby at the recent dedication exercises of Bates's new chapel.

It is announced from Orono that Henry W. Brown, instructor in the English department, has been elected a member of Maine chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, the honorary society of University of Maine. This society, in state universities, corresponds to Phi Beta Kappa in classical colleges. Mr. Brown was graduated from the university before the local chapter was organized.

#### MURRAY PRIZE DEBATERS.

The result of the Murray Prize Debate preliminaries, held December 17th, was announced at the recitation of the debating class, Friday afternoon. From fifty-two preliminary speakers, eight were chosen to debate for the Murray prizes, on Monday, February 16, as follows: Affirmative: Fieldbrave, '16, H. S. Campbell, '15, Dyer, '15, with A. G. Miller, '16, alternate. Negative: Morrison, '16, Flanders, '17, and Morse, '14, with Sully, '16, as alternate.

The question for the final debate is, "Resolved, that the federal government should own and operate the steam railroads within its borders."

#### COMMONS CLUB.

The third annual initiation banquet of the Colby chapter of Commons Clubs was held at the Elmwood Hotel, Wednesday evening, December seventeenth.

Post prandial:

Toastmaster ..... E. Stanley Kelson, '14  
Choragus ..... Arthur D. Gillingham, '14  
Our Ideals ..... Roscoe E. Johnson, '14  
C. C. History ..... Chester F. Wood, '14  
Memories of Nov. 14 .....  
..... E. Donald Record, '17  
The Ideal C. C. Man .....  
..... Evan R. Wheeler, '14  
The Initiates ..... Cecil A. Rollins, '16  
Our Brotherhood ... Oliver C. Wilbur, '17  
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1915—Arthur French Clark, Hans Herbert Rohrbach.

1916—Robert Clyde Joudry.

1917—John Francis Everett, Leland David Hemenway, John Reed Monroe, Edward Donald Record, Paul Gerhardt Whittemore, Oliver Conrad Wilbur.

#### CAMPUS CHAT.

A slight accident happened to the chapel bell and it was not used to call together the first two classes Saturday.

Professor Libby's classes in rhetoric, debating, and reading are being conducted by Professor Brown.

The annual convention of the Kennebec County Christian Endeavor was held at the Baptist church, Friday. Many delegates were present. Excellent addresses were given and much interest shown.

Both departments of the college are largely represented in this association.

Mr. Beal, a returned missionary from China, at present in Andover Theological Seminary, conducted chapel and addressed the men, last Saturday.

The college library has just received a copy of the Funk and Wagnalls New Standard Dictionary, the gift of Hon. Harrington Putnam, '70, of New York City.

Orrin Good, Coburn, ex-'13, called on friends at the college, Sunday afternoon, while on his way to Boston with a train-load of "spuds" from Aroostook.

Earle R. Steves, '16, has recently been appointed physical director of the Fairfield Boy Scouts.

At the Y. M. C. A. meeting Tuesday evening, Vernelle W. Dyer, '15, gave a detailed report of the Kansas City Convention which he attended as delegate from the Colby association.

George Putnam, ex-'16, called at the A. T. O. house, Saturday, on his way to Boston.

Fred Marriner, '17, has returned to college after three weeks of sickness at home.

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Leonard W. Grant, '15, has returned to his home in Harford, Conn., on account of sickness.

Donald H. White, '13, and Ernest H. Cole, '11, were visitors at the Deke house during vacation.

## WOMEN'S DIVISION.

IDELLA KATHRINE FARNUM, Editor.  
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Miss Florence S. Carll of China, Maine, a graduate of Colby in the class of 1912, is acting Dean of the women's division, since the resignation of Miss Greenough at the close of the fall term.

Mrs. Robert W. Crowell has been appointed physical director, and the classes have all begun their regular work for the year.

Dorothy N. Webb, '15, returned, Friday, from the International Volunteer Convention at Kansas City. On Tuesday even-

ing, she gave a report which brought the real spirit of the convention to the eighty girls who were present in the Y. W. C. A. room.

Miss Pauline Hanson, '13, of Sanford, has been elected preceptress of Coburn Classical Institute, to succeed Miss Jessie Waterman of New Hampton, N. H., who resigned because of ill health.

Florence J. Cole, '14, is substituting for two weeks in Maine Central Institute.

Mrs. Jessie Ross Murchie, '12, and Mr. Murchie were at Foss Hall last week.

Miss Harriet M. Parmenter is substituting in the music course until Mrs. White's return from visiting her father in Chicago.

The first meeting of the year in Y. W. C. A. was led by Idella K. Farnum, '14. The subject used was the quotation sent by Dean Bass to the girls, at New Year, 1911, "I resolve:—

To keep my health;

To do my work;

To live;

To see to it that I grow and gain and give.

Helen Hanson, '15, Ina McCausland, '15, Vivienne Wright, '16, Abbie Sander-son, '14, Edith Pratt, '15, and Myrtle Aldrich, '17, spoke on the different parts of this quotation; while others spoke on the need of making resolutions and the way to keep them after they are made.

Miss Ella F. Butman was the guest, during the vacation, of her niece, Mrs. Willard F. Bradley, Winchester, Mass.

Miss Hazel Young, '14, was a guest of Grace Hamilton, '14, at Biddeford, New Year's.

Irma Ross, '17, who has been absent for several weeks because of illness has now returned to college.

Miss Geneva Smith and Miss Helen White of Skowhegan recently visited Miss Smith's cousin, Esther French, '16, at Foss Hall.

Adelaide L. Klein, '14, spent the Christmas vacation with Alice M. Beckett, '14, at Calais.

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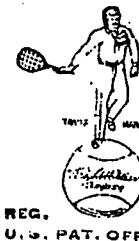
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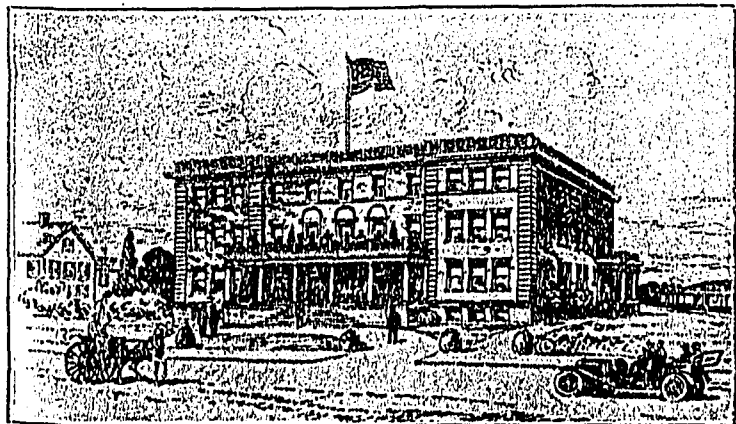
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