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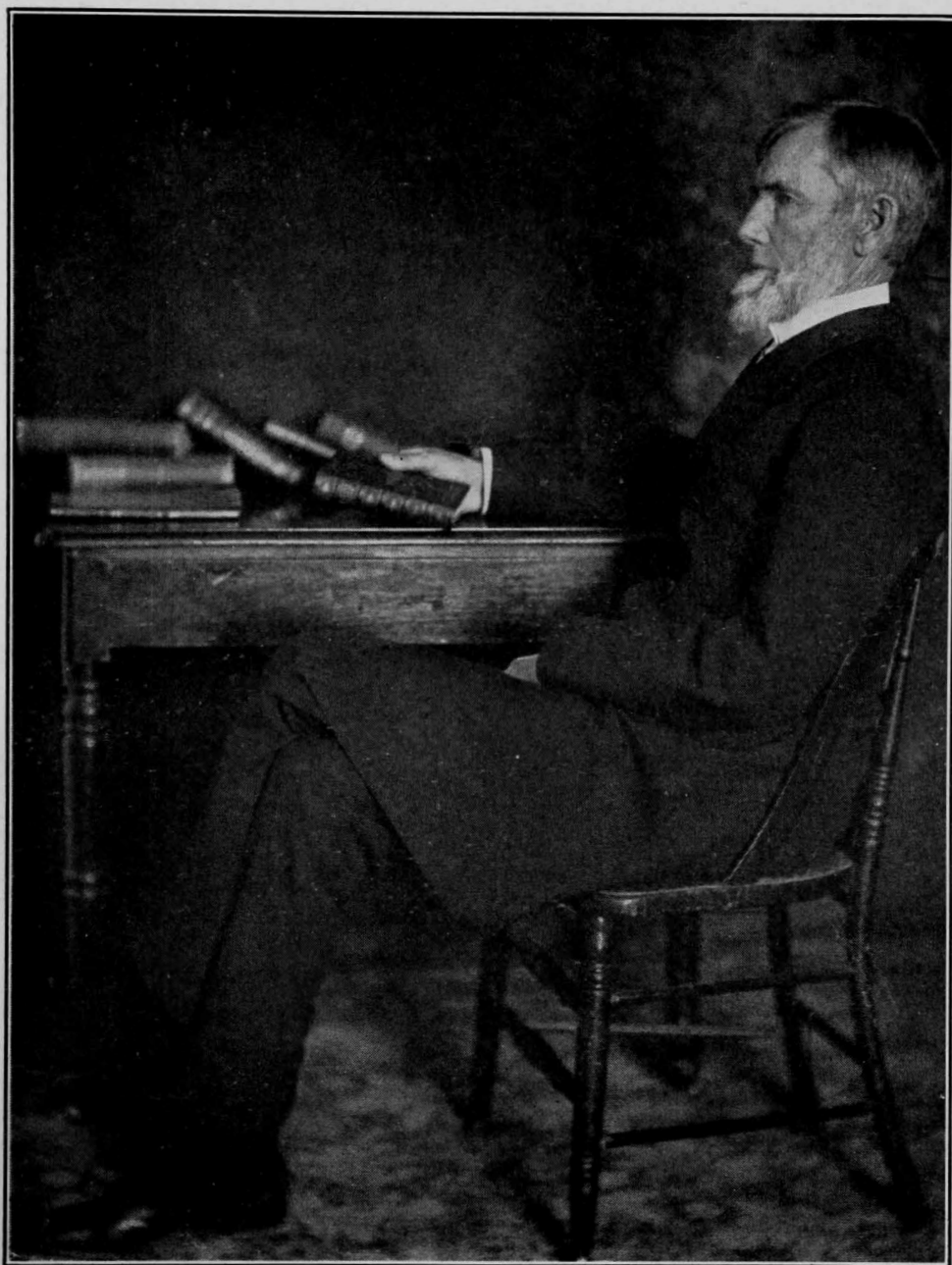


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BY FREDERICK MORGAN PADEFORD.

On January 30th, George Dana Boardman Pepper, Ex-President of Colby, died at his home in Waterville. Thus passed away the last but one of that group of scholars and gentlemen of the older school who gave the college its distinctive character of twenty and thirty years ago. They were not men trained in the ultra-specialization of today, but they were men of catholic intellectual interests and of a broad humanity, who had as an intellectual ideal that enlargement of mind which results from balanced interests in many different fields of thought.

George Dana Boardman Pepper was born in Ware, Massachusetts, on February 4th, 1833. His parents were of old New England stock, and if one of the early ancestors was reproved by the Puritan magistrates for the neglect of divine worship, another was that Anne Hutchinson whose zeal led her across seas to enjoy the ministrations of John Cotton. Clearly the Puritan tradition predominated, for Dr. Pepper's immediate ancestors were conspicuous in the religious activities of the communities where they lived. Life in Ware was pioneer in character, for the country was rough and undeveloped. In boyhood the lad farmed, worked with his father in his mill, and went to school and church. He showed throughout life the influence of this early environment, not only in his stern and massive sense of actualities, but in a certain rusticity which set off to advantage the essential gentleness and fineness of his nature. His hands were large and conspicuous, though most interestingly modeled, his legs were persistently out of place, his clothes, though always neat, showed little consciousness of

the ebb and flow of fashion, his hair was a tangle of intense thought, and his walk was a most picturesque drift. His favorite flower was not some pampered hothouse beauty, but the dandelion; each spring he greeted its return with a child's pleasure.

His preparatory work was done at Williston Seminary, and in the fall of 1853 he entered Amherst College. Even in those days, when intellectual enthusiasm and scholastic attainment were considered an actual merit and adornment, he was conspicuous among his fellows and was honorably and affectionately dubbed "Greek Root Pepper." A classmate gives the following testimony of the peculiar esteem in which he was held: "By general consent Pepper was the leader of our Amherst class in honors and achievements, and in essential greatness. He was not simply richly furnished and able intellectually, but he was magnanimous. He was great and good through and through. I have always thought of him as the best all round scholar of his class, and he was so unselfish, so generous, so disinterested that no one ever thought of envying him. We all admired and trusted and loved him." His fraternity was Alpha Delta Phi, a fraternity adorned by so many of the distinguished scholars and men of letters of the last half century.

Among Dr. Pepper's college friends were Thomas and William Grassie, and as they had sisters in Mount Holyoke Seminary, he soon found, as did so many of the Amherst boys of that day, that the distance between Amherst and Mount Holyoke was inconsiderable. He became engaged to Annie Grassie.

In 1857 he entered the Newton

BOSTON NEWSBOYS' TRIAL BOARD

Under the above title Livingston Wright has a most interesting article in the February issue of *Case and Comment* on the work being done for the newsboys of Boston under the direction of Alvin P. Wagg, Colby, 1890. For the benefit of our readers who do not see the magazine mentioned we give below the gist of the article.

"The only institution of its kind in the world, the Boston Newsboys' Trial Board is accomplishing results as efficacious as its operations are unique. While without any legal standing, the trial board is serving as a vital aid in expediting and simplifying the enormous amount of work devolving upon the municipal and juvenile courts of Boston, as well as occasionally obviating possible refuge in courts of record.

"Thus, aside from the innumerable sociological and humanitarian phases of good which the board is achieving, the 'decisions' and 'trials' of this 'court' are coming to be regarded by courts and lawyers of Boston as one of the most consequential of Boston's civic concerns.

"There are over 5,000 newsboys in Boston. To direct the business affairs of these wonderful little street merchants a systematic array of laws, regulations, and adjudications is necessarily brought into operation.

"The licensing of newsboys is placed entirely in the hands of the Boston school committee. In each of the forty-one grammar and high schools the newsboys meet at stated times, and choose from among their number a captain for their respective schools. The captain is a monitor over the boys of his school, in so far as the selling of newspapers is concerned.

"Now, in regulating the affairs of newspaper selling, a mountain of court and administration business was almost constantly on hand, and the cases were, from their very fundamentals, bound to be of a largely trivial nature: Under the complicated legal system in vogue prior to the establishment of the Newsboys' Trial Board, in 1910, the manoeuvres and absurdities were unavoidable. If a newsboy had a grievance against a fellow

merchant for selling overtime, the complaint had to be lodged with the captain of that school. The latter then had to proceed to the supervisor of licenses, at the office of the school committee, on Mason street. The supervisor had to go to the juvenile court and procure a summons, requiring the accused lad to appear with his parent or guardian before the court. Oftentimes there had to be a long wait while other cases were being disposed of, before the lad in question could get a hearing. In addition, were it found advisable, for instance, to take away the lad's license, all the juvenile court could do was to urge that this be done, since the ultimate enforcement of the court decisions with regard to newsboys had to be done by the corporation which had brought the licensed newsboys into existence, namely, the Boston school committee. In brief, a labyrinth of formality, technicality, and 'red tape' had to be unwound in order to settle such infinitesimal, but, to the boys concerned, vitally important, matters as a nine-year-old borrowing a badge to do business on."

After much puzzling over the solution of the problem, there came the present project of letting the newsboys settle their own cases.

"Once arrived at, everybody was surprised why such a practical, easy-to-be-tested venture had not been essayed before.

"This plan was drawn up: There were to be five judges annually selected, two of them men of technical training and thoroughly experienced in sociological work among the newsboys, and appointed by the school committee. The others were to be newsboys who had been chosen by direct vote of the newsboys at large.

"The present trial board consists of Alvin P. Wagg, Chief Justice, a teacher by profession and humanitarian by instinct; and Elihu Hershen-son, a young man who has come out of the ranks to be a practising lawyer in Boston. These two persons were appointed by the school committee. As associates they have the following boys, who were chosen by the newsies of the forty-one schools: Max Appel, Joseph Manevitch, and Samuel Mednick"

The sessions of the Newsboys'

Trial Board are held weekly on Friday evening at the newsboys' club house, 277 Tremont Street. "In approaching this board, both the accused and his parent can do so with the feeling that the judges of this court are equipped to give the rare and literal 'square deal.' The newsie is to appear before judges who are actually in his calling, and who know from practical, prolonged experience its technicalities. The parent, on his part, does not have to be tortured with the fear of 'the neighbors' pointing to his lad as 'having been to court.' Thus, right at the outset of the 'case' there is, as far as can possibly be attained, the proper attitude toward the court of 'prisoner and counsel.' The person who acts as prosecuting officer to the court is Timothy F. Regan, supervisor of licensed minors of the city of Boston. The clerk is William P. Healey, a newsboy."

A single case will illustrate the workings of the board.

"I have here records showing that this boy, living at such and such a street," says Mr. Regan, "on such and such a date was out in front of the North Station after hours and using a badge which he had borrowed for the purpose, his own not permitting that."

"Justice Wagg has, meantime, been quietly gazing at both the lad and his mother. He notes that the lad is neat and has a good face. He is so young, too. Only nine years. The prosecutor, after reviewing the facts, says: 'I find that this boy is well spoken of by his teacher, and is a well-behaved boy in selling papers. I would suggest that as this is his first appearance here the penalty be made as light as possible.'"

"Justice Wagg then says: 'Now, I hear that you are well spoken of,

and so I am going to give you the lightest possible penalty. I will put you on probation for one week.' And, handing the child a copy of the statute paragraph on the rights and duties of newsboys (printed on a single sheet for this purpose), the court adds: 'Now, tell your teacher to please give you a sheet of foolscap, and you copy off this paper, and bring it down here next Friday evening. Your mother need not come with you. You understand now, do you, that you must never borrow and use a badge to which you have no right, and that you must not sell after hours?'

"The child says, 'Yes, sir,' but it has required some little explanation and urging to get this fact clear to the child's understanding. The 'case' has made it patent that this nine-year-old citizen had already taken a little of the doctrine that 'it don't matter how you got it, just so's you got it!'

"Justice Wagg, before dismissing the 'case,' says to the mother, a woman, sweet-faced and an evident lady in spite of her cheap clothing, 'You will see, will you, that this boy is not out after hours?'

"She adds a respectful, 'Yes, sir,' and the 'case' of Jakie So-and-so is ended.

"Now contrast this humane, educative and noble method of correcting a tiny offense with the monstrous performance once in vogue—a policeman dragging the child to a criminal court! The juvenile court finally came into existence as a mighty effort to save erring or unduly mischievous boys and girls. The Boston Newsboys' Trial Board goes the juvenile court one better! May its grand work of helping the court and humanity proceed in its present success!"

AROOSTOOK COLBY CLUB DINNER

ALBERT K. STETSON, '07.

The sixth annual dinner and reunion of the Aroostook Colby Club was held at Watson Hall, Houlton, Tuesday evening, April 8th. Thirty loyal sons of the college were present, eager to testify to their love for their alma mater with Colby songs and cheers, and with the warmest possible reception for

President Roberts who was present as the guest of the club.

The menu was of high quality, the dinner itself was much enjoyed, and an atmosphere of cordial good will existed. The menu was done in the college colors while the hall was decorated with Colby banners.

Judge Albert M. Spear, a Bates

alumnus, was to be present as a guest of the club but owing to court duties, he was obliged to send regrets.

Those seated about the tables were: A. J. Roberts, '90; Walter Cary, '91; George A. Gorham, '91; Howard Pierce, '97; G. D. Coy, '05; Irving C. Weeks of Ricker Classical Institute; Parker M. Ward, '97; L. H. Powers, '07; J. P. Dudley, '03; Nathaniel Tomkins, '03; James K. Plummer, '86; Dr. Harry L. Putnam, '86; Charles Carroll, '85; S. H. Hanson, '95; Parker P. Burleigh, '89; George A. Wilson, '02; Walter F. Titcomb, '97; Percy L. McGary, '13; Carl C. King, '80; Herbert W. Trafton, '86; Charles P. Barnes, '92; L. W. Robbins, '94; Albert K. Stetson, '07; Donald Putnam, '16; Bert Wise, '16; M. P. Roberts, '13, George W. Dudley, '14.

President Walter Cary presided. A departure from the usual routine was made by having no set speeches. Mr. Cary paid a handsome tribute to President Roberts who when introduced was given an ovation which lasted several minutes.

The President told of the progress of the college and outlined its needs. He told how the teaching force and equipment had been enlarged during the past decade, and of the new

system of tutoring, by which each student is given the personal attention not possible in a larger college.

He stated that especial pains are taken with boys who find it hard to get along in some particular study, and that he believed in keeping boys in college if at all possible, instead of sending them to the junk heap. "I would rather see a boy go to college and study a little rather than not come at all." "We need more money, we need a new chapel which would give our rapidly growing library more space by using the present chapel for library purposes," said President Roberts. "Colby is a well equipped small college, we redeem every promise in our college catalogue, 100 cents on a dollar."

Other speakers included Principal Weeks of Ricker and M. P. Roberts, '13, who responded for the undergraduates.

The officers elected for 1913-14 were: President, Charles P. Barnes, '92; Vice Presidents, Howard Pierce, '97, John B. Roberts, '04; Secretary, Albert K. Stetson, '07, Houlton, Maine; Treasurer, Walter F. Titcomb, '97. Executive Committee, Albert K. Stetson, '07, James K. Plummer, '83, Victor A. Gilpatrick, '12.

IN MEMORIAM, JOSEPH HOWARD FILES, '77

BY HARRY LYMAN KOOPMAN, LITT.D.

To Colby graduates who were in college between the years 1873 and 1877 the death of Joe Files has brought, even after a separation of nearly forty years, a deep sense of personal loss. Many knew him only as a friendly, reserved, quiet, scholarly man, inept in general conversation, and apparently living in a world of his own. He was no talker even among his intimates; he was slow of speech, perhaps slow of thought; but when the word came it was golden. To me he is the poet of the greatest possibilities, not merely promise, that I have ever known. But such was his reticence and such were the limitations of his circumstances that these possibilities never became actualities.

He was one of the founders of the *Colby Echo*, and the writer who gave it from the start a literary

standing. I remember that Professor Elder, who was not easily thrown off his critical balance, once remarked to a group after Files had passed, that there went the man who would perhaps succeed Tennyson and Browning. If Files made this impression upon a professor, it can be imagined how his presence would affect a freshman of literary enthusiasm. I would gladly have taken a stool and sat at his feet as Swinburne sat at Browning's, and I should probably have been called the same name for my pains, if Joe had known how to swear. If the reader of these lines should deem me estimate extravagant, let him turn to the *Oracle* issued in 1876 and read Files's poem, "A Summer Mood," and then read in the early numbers of the *Echo* his "Sea Colors," "Then and Now," and "Thoreau."

As I had read the 1876 *Oracle* just before going to college, I was able at a glance to pick out, among the seniors as they entered chapel, the one who must have written the poem that I so admired. To me his poems still live; and in defense of this judgment let me quote the shortest mentioned.

SEA COLORS.

Light on the sea: such light the
sombre land
In all its summer splendor never
knew,
As when last eve the salt wind
shoreward blew,
And day's bright craft sailed past
the sunset strand,
Leaving a wake of fire, whose glory
spanned
The isle-gemmed bay, and fired
its ripples through,
Till all the gray sea into glory
grew.
The highlands of the islands stood
up grand,
And took soft tints of twilight on
their snows;
But royal hues the royal sea put
on,
As like a huge kaleidoscope it
gleamed
With purple, crimson, amber, gold
and rose,
That mingled, changed, and faded
until gone,
And earth and ocean, wrapped in
darkness, dreamed.

An acute American critic has said that "there were two men in George Gissing, the man he was and the man he might have been." In his books Gissing successfully "beat his music out;" it was in his private life that he failed. With Files the case was just the reverse. In his private life he realized the ideal as closely as mortal may; but his books, which we had foreseen and almost foretasted, never appeared. This was due, not to any lack of literary ability, but to an absence of inward executive impulse. Had he been taken in hand by a manager, who

could have supplied the impulse from without, he would have given us great poems, which all the world would now be cherishing; or with a modest literary pension, or other assured income, and a little encouragement, Files would have added a new name to English letters. There is no greater fallacy than the proverb, "Genius will out." It will if it is of the active type; but if it is of the opposite character, whatever its greatness, it will stay hidden unless it is dragged to the light. But Files was born in a state of society not sufficiently advanced to appreciate his value to itself, and so he has "died with all his music in him." Having to earn his living, he turned to journalism. Like Whittier, whom in my judgment, he greatly surpassed in poetic endowment, he "left the Muses' haunts to turn
The crank of an opinion-mill;"

but he lacked Whittier's unrest of brain and heart to drive him back to Helicon despite his bondage to toil. I called on Files soon after he had taken up this career in the old *Advertiser* office in Portland. On my asking what he was doing in poetry, he replied that when he went into newspaper work he decided that he could not do this and pay any attention to poetry; so he had given up poetry. Seldom have I heard in all my life any words that caused me so much regret as these did. Some men would not have been able to keep such a resolve; but Files was so single-hearted and retiring that unfortunately he could. The world never will realize, neither will Colby, what it lost in exchanging Joe Files the poet for Joe Files the editor. But some of us, like Browning's Abt Volger, know; and we never shall never cease to lament. It is therefore with regret less for the fame a great soul missed than for the riches the world lost, that I lay this sprig of rosemary on the grave of one whose failure here is to me but a triumph's evidence for the fulness, not of the days, but of the eternities.

Providence, R. I., April 10, 1913.

NEW YORK ALUMNI DINNER

BY E. B. WINSLOW.

The annual reunion to which the New York Colby Alumni look forward so eagerly, was held this year on Saturday evening, May 3, at the Hotel Wolcott. This was the eighteenth yearly "get together" and the occasion will be pleasantly remembered for some time to come by those who were so fortunate as to be present. There was a noticeable increase in the number of younger graduates present and a rousing Colby spirit was in the air. The dinner, which was prepared under the able direction of Mr. Anson L. Tillson, '05, who is steward of the Hotel Wolcott, was served in the Garden Room, a cool and delightful retreat, although the temperature during the afternoon reached 93 degrees, the warmest May weather on record. The small tables encircling the guest table in the center brought all together in an informal way and proved to be an effective seating arrangement.

As so many Dr's (doctors not debtors) always attend these gatherings, the Executive Committee arranged to do a little prescribing, and as each man took his seat the following prescription was served in a large capsule showing the words "Take this now:"

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 PHI XI WARNING

On penalty of the pump, heed these "rules of the road" to-night

1. Don't be original. It's too much of a strain.
2. Don't joke: It's too cheerful.
3. Don't laugh. It approaches jollity.
4. Don't sing. It awakens enthusiasm (sometimes).
5. Don't boost Colby. It's too encouraging.
6. Don't relate new stories. They are too sudden and refreshing. Don't be brief, as some of us might take a nap.
7. Don't reminisce. It makes the rest of us seem old.
8. Don't refer to the "walloping" Colby gave Harvard the other day. It might stimulate the delusion that our college can play ball.
9. Don't favor any appeal Prexy may make to-night. He's a joker, anyway, and you might become involved in helping the college in some way.
10. Don't adopt any of these don'ts except this tenth don't; for the other don'ts don't articulate into this don'tless occasion. Off with your symbolical coat; up with your metaphorical sleeves, and jump in for a literal good time! Be natural, unless that means depressing seriousness! In that case, be unnatural! The "pump" (stomach or other kind) will be administered to all unnecessarily serious souls.

During the courses popular choruses were sung, which went so well that each was repeated several times. Souvenirs were distributed during the dinner, among them boxes of Park and Tilford's candies and silver ash trays furnished by the L. E. Waterman Co. The Executive Committee provided so many attractions of this sort, together with printed leaflets of Colby songs, that the dues, increased this year from one dollar to two dollars, failed to cover the expenses. At present writing the treasurer is cheerful. [But how do the creditors feel?]

At ten o'clock, after a five minute interval during which the late arrivals were given an opportunity to meet those who came earlier, Mr. E. F. Stevens, '89, president of the Association, started the liveliest part of the program by announcing the "Colby Grub Song." Mr. Stevens then called upon President Roberts. Although the President had, on the previous evening, attended the Women's Suffrage Pageant, and stood for three hours in the afternoon watching the Women's Suffrage parade, he managed to drive the fair sex from his mind and talk to men about the progress of the college. The faculty has increased more rapidly than the students, he said, so that the promises made in the catalogue about giving a boy a thorough training are being lived up to. Speaking of the needs of Colby, the President said the library had outgrown its accommodations and should have the present chapel. He suggested that a new chapel would solve the problem. We would suggest to the alumni who were not present at the dinner that a new chapel would make a fitting memorial to some friend of the college. The President outlined the ways in which the alumni are helping the college, one of the most commendable being through the Educational Association, which loans small sums to needy students. At the close of the President's address the alumni stood and sang the fourth verse of the "Colby Grub Song."

At this point the president of the association appointed as a nominating committee the following gentle-

men: J. R. Melcher, '81; L. G. Saunders, '03; and H. L. Gray, '02.

Last year it was voted to invite an honor man from the student body to be the guest of the association at this year's dinner. Mr. E. C. Mariner, '13, was the gentlemen selected; and he did honor to himself as well as to the students whom he represented.

A quartette composed of Messrs. Shannon, Saunders, Colcord and Slocum sang "The Dream of Old College Days," the words and music of which were composed by E. J. Colcord, '75.

J. R. Melcher, '81, related a witty story which was much enjoyed. He paid a fitting tribute to the memory of Dr. E. W. Hall and suggested that the New York Alumni Association have a portrait painted and hung in Memorial hall.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, A. H. Bickmore, '93.

Secretary-Treasurer, B. A. Gooch, '06.

Executive Committee: E. J. Colcord, '75, W. W. Drew, '02, A. I. Lockhart, '05.

Other speakers were Rev. J. B. Slocum, '93; Judge Harrington Putnam, '70; and Prof. E. B. Mathews, '91.

E. B. Winslow, '04, then sang a song entitled, "Colby's Merry-go-round," the words of which are given below.

The closing feature of the program was a series of views thrown on the screen by means of the radi-opticon, showing early professors, prominent graduates, and views of the campus.

COLBY'S "MERRY-GO-ROUND"

1. There is a fine college at Waterville, Maine,—
Where legends of old say they used to "raise Cain"—
But crops they raise now we have no need to tell,
For here we bring samples to show it up well—
So look at the "prexy" and look at the boys,
Who meet once a year to renew our old joys;
For all gravitation of brains seems to show
That off to New York all the brightest ones go.
Refrain.
Colby men in New York now abound!
The more I go round, the more I have found;
When they meet together their tongues are unwound,
And songs of "old Colby" resound (around).
2. You know there's a club in Chicago today—
Their number, thirteen, is unlucky, they say—
But lucky the city where Colby men meet,
And bound to increase, for they cannot be beat!
There's Mathews, and Butler, and Johnson, and Small—
This shining quartet is a sample of all—
But if you would find where the Colbyites grow,
Why, off for New York you are certain to go!
Refrain.
3. They've started a course that you never can guess!
At Colby you're nothing unless you play chess!
Why, even the faculty sit at the feet
Of a Fieldbrave Hindoo that they own they can't beat!
This Theodore great is no "bull moose" they say,
But captures conventions of chessmen at play;
And now that professors and all are laid low,
Right off for New York they will want him to go!
Refrain.
4. Librarian Chipman, of him you must know,
And his lecture course fine, where all Colby folks go;
But Charlie has now been immortalized quite,
And vouched for as being a Democrat white!

For "Pete," the professor, his vote must bestow,
 And Pattangall, well, he's no angel, you know!
 So Chipman, for mayor received this one vote,
 And his friends in New York will all relish the joke!

Refrain.

5. "Nardini is back!" they're beginning to shout,
 And soon with the track team of course he'll turn out;
 The other men, too, are star athletes they say,
 And prizes galore they'll be bringing our way.
 Old Colby's the place for developing speed—
 Though "fast" Colby fellows are rare ones indeed—
 But if there should be one who found Colby "slow,"
 Why, off to New York he'd be certain to go!

Refrain.

WESTERN MAINE ALUMNI

BY CLARK D. CHAPMAN.

On Wednesday evening, March twenty-sixth, about thirty loyal alumni of Colby gathered at the Congress Square Hotel in Portland, for the annual dinner and reunion of the Western Maine Colby Association. Dinner was served in the private dining room and after the tables were cleared Wilford G. Chapman, '83, presided as toastmaster. He introduced President Arthur J. Roberts as the guest of honor and the principal speaker of the evening. All present rose and gave him an ovation that attested to his popularity with the graduates of the College. It was several minutes before he could be heard and then he made one of those characteristic speeches, clear and to the point. He told of the conditions at the College at the present time and compared them with conditions a few years ago. The comparison showed a healthy and prosperous growth along all lines, but no one was allowed to go away thinking that there was not plenty of chance for work and money for some years to come. William H. Looney, Rev. Charles M. Woodman and Rex W. Dodge made brief but interesting remarks, after which a short business session was held. Edward F. Thompson, chairman of the committee of organization, read and presented a constitution for the association which was adopted.

The following officers were elected:

President—W. G. Chapman, '83.

Vice President—Charles E. Gurney, '98.

Secretary-Treasurer—E. E. Noble, '97.

Executive Committee—W. G. Chapman, '83; Charles E. Gurney, '98; E. E. Noble, '97; W. H. Looney, '77; F. V. Mathews, '89; Clark D. Chapman, '09.

After the business meeting the order was given for everyone to get acquainted with everyone else. A social hour was spent in renewing the "old college days," exchanging reminiscences and singing songs. All promised to be present next year and the reunion was over.

Those seated at the tables were: A. J. Roberts, '90, Waterville; W. G. Chapman, '83; J. F. Liscomb, '62; Rex W. Dodge, '06; William H. Looney, '77; C. D. McDonald, 1900; William G. Mann, '78; Edward F. Thompson, '82; William W. Andrews, '82; Wilford G. Chapman, Jr., '12; John F. Tilton, '88; Wm. B. Tuthill, '94; Clark D. Chapman, '09; Arad E. Linscott, '98; C. H. Libby, '08; W. B. Jack, '00; Fred K. Owen, '87; C. W. Foster, '71; Fred V. Matthews, '89; Alton D. Blake, '10; E. H. Philips, '82, Westbrook; Charles E. Gurney, '98; Chas. M. Woodman, '98; Alban Fowler, '12, Falmouth; Ernest E. Noble, '97; Archer Jordan, '95, Auburn; Nahum M. Wing, '94, Arlington, Mass.; W. L. Bonney, '92; W. B. Andrews, '92, Westbrook.

COLBY MEN IN BANGOR

Although Bangor for a great many years was regarded as a Bowdoin city, and more recently as dividing very equally between Bowdoin and the University of Maine, it is nevertheless true that there is a good number of Colby men in Bangor and the immediate vicinity and these men take a very prominent part in the affairs of the city, upholding the prestige of Colby.

The Colby men in this vicinity appear to have turned in considerable numbers to the law. Judge Louis C. Stearns, a student at Colby in the class of 1876 is one of the leading members of Maine legal fraternity and associated with his father is Louis Stearns, Jr., '03. Hugh Ross Chaplin and Erastus C. Ryder are among the most prominent attorneys of eastern Maine. Mr. Chaplin graduated from Colby in '80 and Mr. Ryder entered the year after Mr. Chaplin. Then there is Matthew Laughlin, Esq., '82, held to be one of the best read attorneys in Maine and Albert L. Blanchard, '94, who has made a reputation in criminal law. Austin W. Snare, '95, although a resident of Hampden, is a member of the well known legal firm of Mayo & Snare of this city.

Colby is represented in the local ministry by Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, '47, who has had a long and very honorable career as a clergyman and Rev. George A. Martin, '99, pastor of the Grace Methodist church of Bangor. Rev. Addison B. Lorimer, '88, for many years pastor of the Columbia St. Baptist church of this city, has just been called to another field as has also Rev. F. A. Snow, '85, who has been very successful in an Old Town pastorate.

Among the practicing physicians of the city are Dr. Charles D. Edmunds, '83, Dr. Percy Warren, '79, and Dr. Harry W. Osgood, '94.

Among the other Colby men well known in the city are Joseph A. Thompson, '76, extensive owner of real estate and timberlands, Walter Leslie Hubbard, '96, coal dealer, Oliver L. Hall, '93, editor of the *Bangor Commercial* and Ernest L. Herrick, 1900, clothier.

The list of Colby graduates and

former students in Bangor and the immediate vicinity follows:

GRADUATES.

Averill, Albert G., '98, lawyer, 161 Main St., Old Town, Me.; Blanchard, Albert Little, '94, lawyer, 49 Hammond St., r. 48 Montgomery St., Bangor; Bowler, Rev. Stephen Longfellow, '47, r. 148 Ohio, Bangor; Chaplin, Hugh Ross, '80, lawyer, 5 Columbia Building, r. 50 Congress, Bangor; Cowing, William A., '04, principal Higgins Classical Institute, Charleston, Me.; Edmunds, Dr. Charles D., '83, physician, 181 Hammond, Bangor; Herrick, Ernest Lawrence, 1900, clothier, 14-18 Broad, r. 435 Union, Bangor; Hubbard, Walter Leslie, '96, coal dealer, room 19 City Hall, r. 28 Prentiss, Bangor; Martin, Rev. George Atwood, '99, pastor Grace Methodist church, r. 259 Union, Bangor; Nichols, Elmer Leslie, '93, with E. C. Nichols Dry Goods Co., Main, r. 450 Hammond, Bangor; Osgood, Dr. Harry W., '94, physician, 12 Grove, Bangor; Snare, Austin White, '95, lawyer, Mayo & Snare, 39 Hammond, r. Hampden Corner; Stearns, Louis Colby Jr., '03, lawyer, 26 Central, r. 45 Maple, Bangor; Stewart, Walter Dudley, '88, railway postal clerk, r. 371 Union Bangor; Tapley, John S. '04, district supt. of schools, Charleston; Waldron, William L., '99, principal high school, Brewer, r. Wilson St., Brewer.

FORMER STUDENTS.

Bradeen, P. H., '06, clerk, Bruce road, Bangor; Guptill, Orville J., '96, pastor Congregational church, Ellsworth, Me.; Hall, Oliver Leigh, '93, editor *Bangor Commercial*, r. 395 Center St., Bangor; Laughlin, Matthew, '82, lawyer, 7 Hammond, r. Penobscot Exchange, Bangor; Noonan, Dr. Harry J., '04, dentist, Dover, Me.; Shorey, Albert N., '04, principal high school, Surry, Me.; Stearns, Judge Louis C., '76, lawyer, 26 Central, r. Hampden; Ryder, Erasmus C., M.A., '81, lawyer, 109 Merrill Trust Bldg., r. 51 Highland, Bangor; Thompson, Joseph A., '76, timberlands, r. 80 Leighton, Bangor; Warren, Dr. Percy, '79, physician, r. 171 State, Bangor.

JOSEPH AUGUSTUS ROSS

In the death of Joseph Augustus Ross at his home in Princeton, Minnesota, on April 2d, Colby lost one of her oldest graduates. Mr. Ross was born in Jefferson, Maine, on the twenty-second of September, 1829, and was therefore in his eighty-fourth year at the time of his death. He came of sturdy colonial stock, and his boyhood days were passed on the farm. Entering Colby, he was graduated with the class of 1856 and immediately entered upon his chosen profession, that of teaching. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted as a private in the 20th Maine Volunteers, attaining the rank of Lieutenant before the close of the war. Turning again to teaching, Mr. Ross held positions in Maine and Minnesota, to which state he removed in 1869. In 1876 he settled in Princeton, Minnesota, and was admitted to the bar. The same year he was elected County Attorney for Mille Lacs County. He was re-elected for a second term in 1878, serving until January, 1881. In 1890 he was again chosen to the office, which he held continuously until compelled by ill health to resign. So popular was Mr. Ross that no man could defeat him at the polls. Funeral services were held in the Congregational Church on Sunday, April 6th, and the esteem in which Mr. Ross was held by the community was evidenced by the very large attendance.

At the spring term of court a memorial was presented by the Mille

Lacs county bar as a mark of respect to the memory of the former county attorney. From that memorial we quote a portion:

"He was infinitely a man of the people; they knew him and loved him as a man. His presence was always a cheer. He was sympathetic and responsive to every human appeal. Endowed with a spirit of unflinching kindness, he was the personification of generosity. Friendliness was his birthright. He was a scholarly man of wide reading and quick application—his mind intuitively turned toward investigation. He was the friend of the poor and oppressed, and the man without money or friends found in him a safe counselor and devoted advocate. He did not want and would not have money beyond his necessities, and his name for it was the language of contempt.

"His tender and solicitous care of his family was marked. For more than twenty years he watched by night at the sick bed of his life companion, whose life struggle ended only a short time before his own. In his death the community has lost a patriotic and useful citizen, the county a faithful servant, and this court and bar a beloved member, whose memory we shall long cherish and revere."

Mr. Ross is survived by one brother, E. A. Ross, and two step-daughters, Mrs. S. Petterson and Miss Mary House, all residing in Princeton.

LESTER AMBROSE KEYES

The college was greatly shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Lester Ambrose Keyes of the Senior class on Sunday morning, April 27th. About a year ago Mr. Keyes was operated upon for appendicitis, and although he had apparently regained his usual health, the incision had not healed properly. A second operation became necessary and was performed on Friday, April 25th. On Saturday alarming symptoms developed, which the physicians were unable to check, and at three o'clock Sunday morning the end came.

Lester Ambrose Keyes was born on April 26th, 1889, at Chesterville, Maine, the son of Benjamin R. and Mary H. Keyes. He graduated from Wilton Academy in 1909 and in September of the same year entered Colby. During the nearly four years of his life at Colby he had won his way to a large place in the confidence and esteem of both students and faculty. As a member of the varsity track team he earned his "C" during his Freshman year. For three years he was a member of the musical clubs, and held the position

of manager for the present season. A number of class offices were the evidence of the esteem in which he was held by his classmates, while the secretaryship of the Athletic Association in his Junior year, and the presidency of the Young Men's Christian Association and membership on the Student Council this year were like tributes from the students at large. For two years he served as a member of the editorial board of the *Oracle*, and for four years he was a member of the college band. He was also elected to membership in the honorary Junior society, the Druids.

On entering college Mr. Keyes was initiated into Maine Alpha of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, among whose members his strong personality made him a valued leader. Modest and unassuming, devoted to right living, an ardent supporter of every good enterprise within the college, his influence was acknowledged by all.

Sunday afternoon memorial exercises were held by the members of Maine Alpha of Phi Delta Theta in the chapter hall, and brief services for members and alumni of the chapter came at 7.30 Monday morning at the residence of President Roberts. The body, escorted by the fraternity and the Senior class, was taken to the college chapel, where public exercises were conducted at eight o'clock. A quartette consisting of F. T. Jones, R. H. Lord, C. M. Daggett, and I. L. Cleveland, rendered two selections, prayer was offered by Professor H. W. Brown, President Roberts read from the scriptures, and brief remarks followed by both the President and Rev. E. C. Whittemore of the Baptist Church. The body was taken to Chesterville on the morning train, and the funeral was held at his former home in that town on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, members of the Senior class and of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity attending.

IN MEMORIAM, LESTER AMBROSE KEYES*

Spring has come, has come in the land, the budding and burgeoning—
The quick earth thrills with the dream of life, life all a-stir and a-wing,
Now is the seed-time, the planting time, in hope of the harvesting.

What shall we bring to the brown earth's breast, where the quickening
pulses burn?

Life is born of the dust of the earth and to dust must the life return;
The same seed lies in the furrow warm and sleeps in the mournful urn.

Since life can only be fed with life, let us bring to the earth our best;
Splendor of manhood, glory of hope, the young heart hot in the breast;
Love, divinest seed of them all, we plant it here with the rest.

Spring has come, has come in the land, the budding and burgeoning—
The earth is ripe for the planting time, but we weep for the seed we bring,
Solemn and slow up the college street our marching footsteps ring.

This is immortal seed we bear, we plant for eternity;
Earth cannot hold it; star and wind and ether will set it free—
Splendor of manhood, glory of hope—What will the harvest be?

MARTHA BAKER DUNN.

REV. SYLVANUS BOARDMAN MACOMBER

Rev. Sylvanus Boardman Macomber, of the class of 1863, died at his home in Montgomery Center, Vermont, on February 24th of heart failure following an attack of grippe. He was born in Abbot, Maine, on the sixth of December, 1835, and was graduated from Colby with the class of 1863. After serving for a time

as pastor at Cambridge, Maine, he entered the Newton Theological Institution and was graduated in 1868. After holding several pastorates in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont, he retired from the active ministry in 1883, and has since made his home in Montgomery Centre, Vermont, where his last pastorate was held.

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The next issue of the *ALUMNUS*, that for July, will be devoted especially to a report of Commencement week. Last year's Commencement number met with much favor, but the expense of so large an issue is out of the question this year. We shall endeavor, however, to give in smaller compass an adequate summary of the many activities of the week. At least one of the addresses will be given in full, and due space will be provided for the various class reunions. Of course, the outcome of the baseball and track events will not be omitted. It will be a good number to send to some classmate who is not a subscriber, or to some friend who may be interested in Colby. Extra copies will be supplied as long as they last at the regular rate.

It is high time that our alumni aroused themselves to the need of some definite plan of action for increasing the endowment of the college. Under the administration of President Roberts substantial progress has been made along many lines, but this is no reason for self-complacent inactivity on the part of the alumni. The increase in students and the strengthening of the teaching staff have but served to emphasize the financial needs of the college. It is not to be expected that the President, devoting himself untiringly to the educational and administrative work of his office, shall be-

come a soliciting agent. The providing of increased funds and equipment should be and must be the work of Trustees and graduates. And it should be undertaken, not spasmodically or haphazard, but in accordance with a well thought out and thoroughly organized plan. Such a campaign, loyally supported, would without doubt in time provide for the more serious needs of Colby. Some of these needs are: A new chapel, providing the library with additional room by allowing the use of the present chapel; a new recitation building; a new gymnasium; an increase of at least a quarter of a million dollars in our endowment funds. Sitting still in a receptive attitude will not bring results. "Go thou and do" is the watchword of success.

COLBY MAN HONORED

Early in April Governor Haines appointed Hon. Warren C. Philbrook, '82, as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Maine, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Chief Justice William P. Whitehouse, '63. The new Associate Justice was born in Sedgwick, Maine, November 30, 1857, and was graduated from Colby in the class of 1882. For a year he taught in the Farmington (Maine) Normal School, and then came to Waterville where, from 1884 to 1887, he was principal of the High School. In 1887 he gave up teaching for the practice of law, having been admitted to the bar in 1884. From 1892 to 1896 he was Judge of the Waterville Municipal Court; in 1897 and 1899 he was a member of the lower house in the state legislature; and in 1899 he was elected Mayor of Waterville, being re-elected the following year. From 1906 to 1908 Judge Philbrook was Assistant Attorney General of Maine, and Attorney General from 1908 to 1910. The appointment of Judge Philbrook to the Supreme bench is particularly pleasing to Colby men, as it keeps the Colby representation at the figure at which it has stood for some years—three out of a total of seven.

COLLEGE LIFE

Colby was defeated by the University of Maine in the dual track meet held at Orono on March 15th, by a score of 38 to 31. This is a creditable showing and by no means disappointing.

By resolutions adopted on March 19th the Commons Club was recognized by the five Greek letter fraternities of the college as "having all the rights and privileges of the five fraternities, in respect to representation in all college activities and in pledging men."

The Zeta Psi bowling team won the cup in the annual contest of the Interfraternity Bowling League, after a closely contested series with the Delta Upsilon team. The two teams were tied at the end of the regular series.

During the Easter Recess the Musical Clubs made an extensive trip, giving concerts at Livermore Falls, Farmington, Portland, Milo, Presque Isle, Caribou, Fort Fairfield, and Houlton. The clubs were greeted with large audiences and received much commendation for the excellence of the program rendered.

The annual initiation of the Commons Club was held on Wednesday evening, April 16th, at the Royal Café. Three men from the class of 1914 and seven from the class of 1916 were initiated.

The "Junior Prom" came on the evening of April 18th at Assembly Hall. In the receiving line were Professor and Mrs. H. C. Libby, Dr. J. W. Black, Miss Edith C. Washburn, and Mr. Harvey Knight. The patronesses were Mrs. John Hedman, Mrs. H. C. Libby, Mrs. George K. Washburn, Mrs. Webster Chester, and Mrs. George F. Parmenter. Music and decorations were excellent and the large company present pronounced the evening an entire success.

The Hon. Payson Smith, State Superintendent of Schools, has been delivering a series of lectures on teaching before the class in Education, on successive Monday mornings at the regular recitation period.

On April 25th the Colby Debating team defeated the Clark College team in a debate held at Worcester. The question was: "Resolved, that

the United States should adopt such a broad and generous legislative policy in the subsidizing of American shipping engaged in foreign trade, as to enable American ship-owners to operate their ships profitably and to compete successfully with the vessels of foreign countries." The Colby team, which supported the affirmative, was made up of E. C. Marriner, '13; L. G. Shesong, '13, and David Jack, '14. The judges were W. T. Forbes, Judge of the Worcester Probate Court; W. S. Young, Assistant Superintendent of Worcester schools; and C. F. Marble, of Curtis Marble & Co.

Colby was represented at the athletic games at the University of Pennsylvania on April 26th by a strong relay team which competed with teams from Lehigh, New York Law, Washington and Lee, and other colleges of similar standing. Colby held fourth place in a list of eight teams.

April 25th the Higgins Club of Colby was given a reception by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Macomber at their home on Elm street.

MRS. MARIA OSBORNE

In the death of Mrs. Maria Osborne, at her home on Ash Street, Waterville, April 28th, one more link which bound the new Colby to the Colby of the past was severed. Mrs. Osborne was the widow of Samuel Osborne, for thirty years the head janitor at Colby, and the mother of Miss Amelia Osborne, who has served for a number of years as matron of the Delta Upsilon fraternity house. Mrs. Osborne has always been a loyal friend of Colby students, and has ever taken a keen interest in all that pertains to the college. Many of the older graduates will feel a deep sense of personal loss in her death, for they were "her boys," as she delighted to say, and the years that have gone since their student days have in no way altered the relation. Funeral services were conducted at her home on April 30th, at two o'clock in the afternoon, by her pastor, Rev. E. C. Whittemore, D.D., of the Baptist Church.

BASEBALL

The opening game of the baseball season came on April 19th, when Colby crossed bats with the University of Maine at Waterville. The day was cold and raw, and the players were unable to use the regular diamond because of a heavy shower which fell just before the game. Under the circumstances an interesting exhibition was not to be expected. The victory went to Maine, by a score of 5 to 2.

The next game was with Dartmouth, at Hanover, on April 23rd, and the Colby team failed to show the proper form, losing by a score of 11 to 1. The following day Colby was able to make a better showing, but Dartmouth won, 5 to 2.

April 25th Colby faced Boston College at Boston and again met defeat, the score standing 12 to 6 in favor of Boston College.

But the last game of the Massachusetts trip, that with Harvard at Cambridge on April 26th, proved more to the liking of the Colby supporters. Up to the ninth inning Colby had everything her own way, then a rally by the Crimson and a weakening on Colby's part let in two runs for Harvard. James allowed but one hit in the game. The final score was 5 to 2 in Colby's favor.

The first championship game was played with Bowdoin at Waterville on May 3d. Few finer exhibitions of baseball have been seen on the Colby diamond. For ten innings neither side scored. Both teams played an excellent fielding game, Bowdoin making no errors and Colby but two. In the eleventh inning both teams weakened, but luck was with Bowdoin and she scored four

runs to Colby's one. It was a hard game to lose, but Bowdoin earned her victory and the Colby team deserves little but praise for their stubborn though losing fight.

GIFT OF PICTURES

Colby has recently received from Charles Hovey Pepper, L.H.D., of the class of 1889, a valuable addition to the art collections of the college. The gift consists of seventy-nine pictures, of which fifty are prints in the colors of the original paintings, nineteen are carbon photographs; and ten are engravings. These pictures were imported from Paris and London expressly for the college, and represent the numerous schools of painting by characteristic selections.

"SAMUEL OSBORNE, JANITOR"

Hundreds of Colby graduates who were students in the good old days when "Professor" Sam was a member of the faculty, will be interested in the announcement that LeRoy Phillips, publisher, of Boston, is to issue at Commencement time a small book entitled "Samuel Osborne, Janitor." The author is Frederick Morgan Padelford, Ph.D., 1896, now Professor of English at the University of Washington. Dr. Padelford's rare charm as a writer finds a fit subject in the man whose life was so bound up in that of the college for thirty-odd years. Colby tradition and Colby sentiment breathe from the pages of the little book, which is appropriately bound in blue and gray. It is expected that the book will be on sale during Commencement week.

WHAT COLBY MEN ARE DOING

1863.

Correspondent: REV. G. B. ILSLEY.
Westbrook, Maine.

Your correspondent is still in his pastorate at Westbrook, the church refusing to accept his resignation last June.

The gift of Colonel R. C. Shannon to the Westbrook church, a fine piano for the Sunday School, is much appreciated.

The names of those in the class who were in the Government service during the civil war are as follows:

Addison Blanchard, W. H. Fogler, George Clark Getchell, Francis Snow Hesseltine, Asher Crosby Hinds, George Calvin Hopkins, William Perkins Joy, Henry McAllister, Frederick Augustus Metcalf, Thomas Judson Neal, Boardman Cary Spaulding, Marcellus Lovewell Stearns, Edward Clark Stevens, Sylvanus Boardman Macomber, George Stephen Scammon, Charles Dana Thomas; and Charles Melvin Emery in the War Department at Washington.

On Saturday evening, March 22d, Colonel Francis S. Hesseltine gave a talk on "The War Songs of Nations" before the Boston Art Club. This was one of a series of entertainments given by the Club to members and their guests.

Hon. William Penn Whitehouse retired on April 23rd from his position as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maine, after serving 23 years as a justice—21 as an Associate Justice, and the last two as Chief Justice. Judge Whitehouse retires under the provisions of the law which give judges of the supreme and superior courts half pay on retirement at the age of seventy-one years.

1868.

Correspondent: R. W. DUNN.
Waterville, Maine.

Forty-five years out of college and eight of the fifteen who graduated from Colby are still alive and every one of the eight has registered his intention to attend the class reunion on June 24th, 1913. One of these will then visit his Alma Mater for the first time since his graduation.

He has been too busy caring for the spiritual condition of his flock in the different fields where he has been serving the Master. But this year Hopkinson has decided that he can trust his people at So. Acworth, N. H., in the hands of the Lord for a day or two while he meets his classmates on the old campus once more.

We have had with us on previous occasions Messrs. Baker, F. M. Bennett and Elmer Small who did not graduate with us. We expect Baker and Dr. Small this time, but our old friend Bennett has passed over and joined the great majority. A letter from his daughter informs us that he died very suddenly on June 30th, 1912. We are extremely sorry that he could not have lived to meet with us just this once more. If I am not mistaken Bennett and Hallowell are the only ones of the class who have deceased within the past five years. We can hardly hope for so small a percentage of deaths in the coming five years.

1876.

In the recently issued announcement of the Summer Session of Dartmouth College we find among the list of instructors the name of a Colby graduate, Dr. Clarence E. Meleney, of the class of 1876. Dr. Meleney, who is Associate Superintendent of Schools in New York City, is scheduled to conduct two courses. One is on Methods of Teaching and the other is on Educational Organization and Administration. The first is more especially for teachers, the second for school superintendents. Dr. Meleney's wide experience as a teacher and superintendent make him well fitted for the courses, which should prove of great value.

1880.

Public Libraries for March contains a paper on "The Advantages of the Small Library," by Dr. H. L. Koopman, Librarian of Brown University. This paper was read before the students of the Rhode Island Normal School at Providence on November 12, 1912.

1881.

Colonel Roosevelt, reviewing in the *Outlook* for March fifteenth the first number of the new *Constructive Quarterly* has this to say of Dr. Shailer Mathews's contribution to the new publication:

"But to me personally the most interesting among all the interesting articles is that by Dean Mathews, 'The Awakening of American Protestantism.' It is not only stimulating and thoroughly American in its presentation of Protestantism, but it has a grasp of present day industrial and political conditions that is really astonishing."

1882.

Bordman Hall, who spent two years with the class of 1882 before entering upon his law studies, is now in excellent health, though he "has to take care of himself." He lay at the point of death for a long time, a few years ago. He is engaged in corporation law practice at 114 State Street, Boston.

1884.

The May issue of *Missions*, the Baptist missionary magazine published in Boston, contains an most illuminating article on "Recent Movements in Japan." The author is Rev. J. L. Dearing, D.D., Colby, 1884, who has for years been a missionary of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society in Japan.

1885.

Elmer E. Silver, who spent two years at Colby with '85, then being graduated at Brown, was president this year of the Boston Alumni Association of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and presided at the annual banquet, about two hundred members attending. At the election of officers succeeding, E. Parker Craig, Colby '06, was elected a member of the Executive Committee. The national convention of the fraternity comes to Boston next December, for the first time since 1887.

1888.

Correspondent: B. P. HOLBROOK.
Cambridge, Mass.

Solomon Gallert, like the class secretary, has not yet taken unto himself a wife. He has been practicing

law many years at Rutherfordton, N. C., and is a strong supporter of white supremacy in a state where the racial question is ever at the fore. In this he has the sympathy of not a few other Northerners, including at least two members of his class who believed all negroes should vote until they came to know so many of them.

At the annual banquet of the Brotherhood of the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, February 13th, two hundred were present. The president, Benjamin P. Holbrook, opened the exercises with humorous verses. The banquet netted \$62 toward the pledge of \$100 for repairs on the church organ, and was considered a success in every way.

William Morse Cole, who was at Colby from 1884 to 1886 with the class of 1888, has been made Professor of Economics of Harvard University, where he has been Assistant Professor of Accounting in the Harvard Graduate School of Business Demonstration since 1908. Professor Cole studied at Harvard from 1886 to 1891, and in 1893-1894, in various departments, receiving its A.B. and A.M., and highest honors in Political Science. He was an instructor in Political Economy at Harvard and Radcliffe in 1890-1893, Secretary of the Massachusetts Commission on the Unemployed 1894-1895, and University Extension Lecturer in History and Economics from 1895 to 1898. Then he taught in the High Schools of Fall River and Worcester until 1908, simultaneously being an instructor in Economics at Harvard from 1900 on. In addition to this he has published five books. In talking with the writer at the Boston Colby Alumni reunion he told of working almost an incredible number of hours daily and of very large classes under his instruction—three hundred in one course. He is accumulating a large estate, over one thousand acres, at Orford, in the foothills of the White Mountains, for a summer home, having bought out seven farmers who had to give up the struggle to make farming pay.

It is a constant source of surprise and delight to Holbrook to see the wild native birds and squirrels in Cambridge. He sees more of them than he did in his childhood in small country towns. In a two-acre vacant lot opposite his home, with a dozen trees in it, some wild thing can

always be seen. From one to six crows may almost be counted upon; while the purple grackle "black-birds" almost make themselves a nuisance by their continuous chattering. The red crested woodpeckers, at their carpentry work, are heard or seen almost daily, and the chickadees, robins, orioles, and bobolinks are less frequent visitors. It is common to see a flock of wild ducks or smaller water-fowl in the Charles river, serenely confident of their safety. Gray squirrels enter the house occasionally, and their antics on the thick telephone cables crossing the streets are always interesting. This, too, in a city of 100,000 people, eight minutes by subway from the heart of Boston. Farther out, still wilder and more hunted things are to be seen: For example, while a train was waiting at the Wedgemere station in Winchester, a mink walked up from the lake twenty-five to fifty feet away, and stared at it calmly; and at Wakefield the English pheasants damage the crops more than the crows do.

1891.

Correspondent: F. W. JOHNSON.
Chicago, Ill.

The Immanuel Baptist News, published monthly in the interest of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., indicates that the family of Ilsley has no small part in the activities of this flourishing church. Reuben L. Ilsley is editor of the News, church clerk, member of the board of Deacons, and superintendent of the senior department of the Sunday School; Mrs. Reuben L. Ilsley is corresponding secretary of the Women's missionary Society, recording secretary of the Ladies Aid Society, and a member of the Baptistal Committee of the church; while Morrill L. Ilsley is treasurer of the Young Men's Bible Class, an usher, and assistant business manager of the church paper.

The *Johns Hopkins Alumni Magazine* for January has this to say of a member of the class:

"Professor E. B. Mathews of the Department of Geology and Mineralogy has been occupied largely in the development of the plans for Homewood and in the preparation of a map of Baltimore and vicinity which is being published in sheets

by the State Geological Survey. The map as planned will include a considerable area surrounding Baltimore and will be one of the most detailed maps ever issued by a State Geological Survey. During the year the first sheet has been issued and two others are now in press and a fourth is in preparation."

Homewood, referred to above, is the site where the new buildings of the University are to be erected.

R. A. Metcalf, '86, writing of a recent trip through the South, speaks thus of his visit to Shaw University:

"On my trip I met Mr. G. H. Stoddard, Colby, '91, at Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., in which institution he is Dean of the Literary Department, teaching sociology, pedagogy, logic, college algebra, etc. He has been in his present position three years, I believe, and he is the right hand man of the President, Charles F. Meserve, Colby, '77. Stoddard was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity while in college. He has two daughters who are attending school at Peace Institute, which is also located in Raleigh."

1893.

The class of '93, are making plans for a banner reunion to be held Wednesday afternoon, June 25th. The meeting will be held after the Commencement Dinner and will probably include a banquet. Notices are being sent to all members of the class including all the one time members so far as addresses can be secured. The members of the class are making an extra effort to get out a large number.

Edgar P. Neal is now serving his second year as Instructor of Shop Mathematics and Science in the Boys' Trade School in Worcester, Mass. He and Mrs. Neal, also of '93, are still living in West Boylston, Mass., where he is also town auditor.

Rev. C. F. Smith at the meeting of the East Maine Methodist Conference in April was assigned to the church in Camden, Maine.

Nahum Wing is representing a New York bond house travelling over Maine with headquarters at 50 Congress St., Boston.

Rev. Joel B. Slocum, recently pastor of the Greenwood Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church, Norwich, Conn., and

began his work there on Sunday, May 4th.

1900.

Charles F. Towne, formerly of the Pickering School, Salem, Mass., but more recently a teacher in the public schools of Providence, R. I., has recently been appointed Assistant Superintendent of Schools in the latter city. On the resignation of Randall J. Condon, Colby '86, as Superintendent of Schools the Providence School Committee elected Mr. I. O. Winslow to succeed Mr. Condon. One of Mr. Winslow's first acts was the appointment of Mr. Towne as Assistant Superintendent.

1903.

Cecil M. Daggett has the sympathy of his classmates and friends in the recent death of his son William, on March 12, 1913, at the age of three years.

1906.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl R. Kennison are rejoicing in the birth of a daughter, Florence Mary Kennison, on March 25, 1913.

1908.

The address of Percy S. Farrar is now 1121 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

1912.

Rev. Luther Morris has recently accepted the pastorate of the Baptist Church at Tenant's Harbor, Maine, and has already entered upon his work there.

S. C. Cates, at present an instructor at the Kiskiminetas Springs School, Saltsburg, Penn., has just been appointed an Instructor in Physics at the Pennsylvania State College, State College, Penn., to begin his duties in September. Another Colby graduate, V. R. Jones, 1908, is Instructor in German at the same institution.