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HASH.

WAIMATA'S SONG

Deep in the bosom of the western ocean,
Parted by long leagues of sweeping billows,
Far from any sight or dream of mainland,
Lies my dear island, my Enchanted Island.

Thither, when sweet hours like this unloosed,
Restless flies my fancy, like the lenggi;
Land of palm and coral, land of summer,
Lover's land, and not a land of sorrow.

There the serf on hollow reefs glows fire-like,
Renewing aye its brilliance and white splendor,
Bursting with the impatience of the ocean,
Yet never bearing any man to danger.

I hear its mighty breakers thunder shoreward,
Sounding the restless tale of trampling surges;
I see the rushing, splendid, sunlit billows,
Followed and wreathed with prism-tinted vapors.

Gemmed from base to crest with shining bubbles,
Alive and radiant, restless, glorious, mighty,
How they storm the slant beech, burst in frenzy,
And dash upon the green grass of the margin!

Those bright waves bring never aught but pleasure;
By that sweet and azure sea no sorrow,
Pain, or death, is wrought on loyal lovers;
Haste me hence to that Enchanted Island.

—Translated.

At Cambridge the only debating society is the Harvard Union, which is open to all students of the University. Meetings are held once a week and the debates are very able and well attended. Membership can be acquired by speaking a certain number of times from the floor. There are always four disputants, and others are at liberty to speak from the floor.

EDITORIAL.

THIS from the *Lewiston Journal*: "The Dartmouth college faculty, and the Maine State college faculty look on the base ball field with different eyes. While the latter have prohibited their students from entering the Maine Inter-collegiate League, the former have bought a piece of land on which they will erect a building to be exclusively used for the training of a base ball nine."

It is to be regretted on some accounts that the Maine State College is not to be represented in this season's league. Base ball undoubtedly does absorb a portion of the time of the members of the nine, but the College as a whole is benefited by it. The advertising which an institution gets from putting a good nine into the field is no mean factor in attracting students. When Bowdoin, Colby and Bates shall play this season's games, the young men of the State who are making up their minds to go to college, will naturally be attracted towards the institutions displaying the greater enterprise. Advertising is just as essential to the life of a college as to that of a mercantile house. Undoubtedly the Faculty acted for what they thought was for the best interests of the College, but it is to be regretted that the decision had not been otherwise.

THE coming commencement at the M. S. C. promises to be an occasion of unusual interest. It is not only the fifteenth anniversary of the graduation of the pioneer class, but it marks the completion of the first quarter of a century since the passage of the act which called into existence the colleges of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, of which this College is one. In view of these facts, the Alumni association at its last annual meeting, placed in the hands of a committee, arrangements for holding a reunion of the graduates and old students of the College. That committee is now engaged in carrying out its instructions.

One feature of the reunion is to be an address by some gentleman whose ability has given him a national reputation, and whose presence will give especial prominence to the exercises of the week. Undoubtedly the Alumni will also hold a banquet where matured wit and wisdom as well

as matured appetites can have an hour of unrestrained freedom.

The intention seems to be to make the occasion thoroughly enjoyable to those who can attend. Those who do not attend will miss a great deal, and by their absence will disappoint those who do come here. In fact the success of the reunion will be marred by the absence of any considerable number of the old students. Each one who then visits his alma mater will be anxious to see his particular college friends, and the presence of members of other classes will not atone for the absence of his own classmates or chums. The graduates of the College, and the old students who are not graduates, should feel it a duty, if not a pleasure, to come to Orono next June. Let them plan to come, and then come, whether it be from the far West, or from within the borders of our own State.

WE are able to give only a partial description of the new building, as the final plan will not be decided upon until the seventh of May. F. E. Kidder, C. E., M. S. C. '79, of Boston, has been appointed architect, and Professor Hamlin is to be associated with him as inspector.

The appropriation provides for the expenditure of fifteen thousand dollars the present year, and leaves ten thousand for next year. This year's appropriation will be sufficient to erect the building complete, leaving the fixtures, furnishings, and heating apparatus to be provided for out of next year's funds. The site of the structure will be where the Q. T. V. building now stands. The main building will be about 64x47 feet; while the annex will be 41x36. The upper story of the main building will be finished in one room, to be used as a chapel. The remainder will be used by the departments of Agriculture and Natural History. The annex is to be used as a Library and Reading-room. The Library will have a capacity of twenty-five thousand volumes, and will be built fire proof. The building will be built of brick with stone trimmings, and when completed will somewhat resemble the Laboratory. The occupancy of this building will place each department of the College in circumstances more favorable for thorough work, than exists at present; and we

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can reasonably look for some improvements in the several courses.

Work will be commenced the first of June, and an effort will be made to complete the building before another winter.

The CADET tenders its congratulations to Prof. A. B. Aubert.

PROBABLY every friend of the College will be glad to learn that the terms of admission have been raised somewhat. The retaining of such a study as book-keeping in its course has always been a mistake, and has led to a misconception on the part of the public as to the character of the training given here. Book-keeping is not a collegiate study, and the sooner that and all other studies which can be taught just as well in the average free high school had better be relegated to the high school, and thus leave the College at liberty to do its legitimate work. The conditions in mathematics are now of a respectable character, but would it not have been better to increase the requirements in the English language a little? At present an examination in English Grammar is all that is asked for, but if the candidate were required to write a short essay upon either "Macbeth," "The Tempest," or "Merchant of Venice," at his entrance examination it would insure the reading of an author of which the average matriculant is usually profoundly ignorant. Not that he would then know much of Shakespeare, but this preliminary reading would enable him to do better work when he meets that author in his college course. This requirement would add but slightly to his work in preparing for the entrance examination. He is bound to read something of course, and if the college should direct his reading to some extent, it would be to the advantage of both the student and the institution.

THE improvements, of which we have spoken before, will be chiefly of a sanitary nature.

Just as soon as the ground will permit, a force will be put to work on the system of sewerage, for which the State appropriated funds last winter. It is intended that this system shall extend to all the buildings, and modeled

after the latest and most approved plans. The final computations have not been made, but the cost will be moderate, and when the system is complete, it will add very much to the sanitary condition of the buildings.

The supply of water from the artesian well is not quite satisfactory, and it is proposed to sink the well twenty-five or thirty feet deeper, making a total depth of about ninety feet. Water will be carried to the second floor of each building, and, in order to do this, a tank of twelve thousand gallons capacity will be built. This tank will be placed upon a tower thirty-four and one half feet from the ground, and will be filled directly from the well, by means of the wind-mill. From this tank will radiate the delivery pipes; and a constant supply may be expected as it will not depend solely upon the action of the wind-mill, which is the case at present. An effort will be made to finish the work before Commencement.

THE failure of the Legislature to appropriate money for the purpose of restocking the farm, leaves this department of the institution entirely disabled. In view of this, it has been considered imperative that active operations be suspended until the State reimburse the farm, so that it can be run as it should be. With this condition of affairs it became necessary to relieve Mr. Gowell and place the management of the farm in the hands of Prof. Balentine. For the next two years it will be made a hay farm, after which, it is expected to be managed so as to give the greatest possible benefit to the agricultural course. Heretofore the farm has been run independent of the College, and those students who take the course in agriculture, have not received the practical training which the students in the other courses have received.

The value of this practical training, and the importance of placing the management of the farm in the hands of the Professor of Agriculture, are so well portrayed by Maj. H. E. Alvord, that we clip from the "Massachusetts Agricultural College Report for '86," some of his truisms.

Maj. Alvord has a national reputation as an agriculturist, and is at present Professor of Agriculture at Amherst. What he has to say of

the Agricultural College, will apply to the course in agriculture at this College. He says, "In any school of agriculture, where theory and practice must go hand-in-hand, it is evident that the matter of providing facilities for teaching, with objects for illustration and instruction, is of the very first importance.

The Agricultural College, like other colleges, arranges its work of instruction in distinct divisions, and has especially prominent its several departments of technical science. All admit the need of having these properly equipped with aids to teaching; and, by common consent, they are supplied, by liberal outlay, with cabinets and collections, maps and models, instruments and apparatus, besides special books of reference. * * * * *

First in the means of instruction for the agricultural department, is the college farm, with its lands and buildings, its stock and tools, its crop and daily operations throughout the farming year. And, second, such collections of specimen implements, soils, manures, and farm products, with models, illustrations, and charts, as can be provided by periodic allowances of money and the work of diligent teachers.

The relation of the farm to the college is thus clearly indicated. Its primary function and its only use, if necessary, is to serve as the laboratory and demonstratory material for the instructor, to be managed—or mismanaged—as may best suit the purpose of example and illustration. The college farm should therefore be under the immediate control of the Professor of Agriculture, and conducted to assist and supplement the work of the class-room, as absolutely as the plant-house and herbarium by the Professor of Botany.

The one thing above all others which should *not* be required of the college farm is to be "self-supporting," or conducted for the purpose of yielding an annual profit. The chemical department has its expensive laboratory and fittings, requiring a large current outlay for supplies; the physical lecture-room has costly apparatus; the departments of natural history and botany have their museums, collections, and appliances; and hundreds or thousands of dollars may well be invested in high-priced manikins and plastic models of domestic animals and plants. But who ever heard of a demand

upon the laboratories of a college to heat and light the premises, of requiring the telegraph and telephone apparatus to yield a handsome dividend, or of expecting the Auzoux models to give milk and bear fruit? Yet this would be just as logical as insisting that the farm must show an annual profit.

This theory of the main duty and purpose of the college farm by no means involves wasteful methods to any extent, or extravagant expenditure. Undoubtedly, it should, as a whole, be an example of good husbandry and progressive farming. It is well to conduct some one or more divisions of the farm with distinct and accurate accounts, like a dairy herd, or a flock of sheep, a field crop, an orchard, or nursery, so as to demonstrate the profit of farming as a business, when well managed."

After giving the resources of the farm, he goes on to point out how it can be practically used for supplementing the lecture-room work, and concludes with the following:

"At this industrial institution, however, Massachusetts does not attempt to pursue the business of farming for direct and immediate profit. That is not the purpose of the college in whole or in part, or of the State in maintaining it. It is rather to liberally provide here the facilities for thoroughly and broadly training some of her sons to apply, in active life, those principles which underlie progressive and profitable farming."

Among the many lapses of memory which characterized Harvard's celebration of her 250th anniversary, not the least was the failure to invite the only living ex-President of the college, the venerable Dr. Hill, of Portland. Everybody had actually forgotten his existence and the story goes that it gave the dignitaries on the platform a cold shiver when they were reminded of their enormity by seeing the good doctor walk modestly into the hall with his class after having found great difficulty in getting a ticket.—*Tuftsian*.

W. E. Lawton, sole member of the firm of Lawton Bros. of New York, is missing, and his creditors claim that he has taken away with him upward of \$250,000. The firm has been put into involuntary bankruptcy.

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L I T E R A R Y .

HER PHOTOGRAPH.

(Bric-a-Brac.)

A picture of a dark-eyed girl
 With pensive, thoughtful air,
 Whose pure sweet face looked from beneath
 Its frame of misty hair.

My heart was captured by her face ;
 I loved her at first sight :
 "Sweet maid," I whispered, "let me be
 Your own true chosen knight."

And then I tried to find my queen,
 I sought her near and far ;
 Her pictured face shone on my path
 And was my guiding star.

But oh, how can I tell the grief,
 The bitter grief to me,
 When I found out, beyond a doubt,
 There was n't any *she* !

For this sweet picture that I loved
 (Kind reader, do not laugh !)
 Turned out to be a very good
 Composite photograph !

And the fair girl whose pensive eyes
 Had made my pulses stir,
 Did not exist, or rather there
 Were forty-nine of her !

One woman's face was in my mind—
 How could I then divine
 That I, while faithful to one love,
 Was true to forty-nine ?

O Science ! You have done this thing,
 On you I lay the guilt ;
 You've made my honest love appear
 Like any crazy-quilt !

And this one thing I ask of you,—
 Can you, with all your art,
 Unite these forty-nine poor bits
 And give me back my heart ?

BESSIE CHANDLER.

ARBOR DAY.

"Ye who love the haunts of Nature,
 Love the sunshine of the meadow,
 Love the shadow of the forest,
 Love the wind among the branches."

In consideration of the recent act of our
 Legislature, with Gov. Bodwell's proclamation

for Arbor Day, one can but feel thankful for the step taken, although tardy and too long neglected. The tendency for many years has been rapid in cutting through our forest promiscuously, and with a lavishness of waste as though the supply was inexhaustible. We will not stop to tabulate the waste and destruction that has attended the forests through prodigal lumbermen, and devastating fires. Enough is it that the alarm sounded by vigilant economists years ago has made itself evident, and fruits of the pillage have already begun to be gathered in many localities of the Middle States.

The Western States, though the youngest part of the Union, have pointed the way, and taken the advance in checking the destruction of trees, and their propagation in tracts now desert. Nebraska was first to establish an Arbor Day, and turn public attention to forest protection and tree culture. Kansas and Minnesota soon followed, and other Western States have given additional impetus to the tide. Already has the effect become manifest in advanced wealth of country, and gain of fertile soil from country once desert. The Great American Desert has become a misnomer through tree culture, representing now a fertile plain, reclaimed through this means. In our State the danger arising from forest destruction is much greater than a casual observer would admit.

Decrease in rain, in fertility, changes in temperature, are already complaints too often to be traced to the prime cause of open unwooded country. In colleges Class-tree planting has been a custom observed quite generally, yet neglected many times through oversight or indifference. Around the M. S. C. we now see many little trees, well growing and promising beauty as well as benefit in a few years. Yet but few classes have planted more than one, so we see how little one class contributes, yet how grand and beautiful the aggregate. The beauty of any grounds are immediately adjudged by the amount of foliage they show, and the Campus of every college is made beautiful, and endeared to the graduate more through the association of its noble trees than all else it boasts. Now, undergraduates, do not limit your arboriculture to a single tree to per-

petuate your class identity: make it doubly, trebly established, by several transplantings. Choose your trees carefully, devote yourselves faithfully to this little effort, and when our cherished college wears the honors of many years, your labors will be the visible source of her beauty and pride.

WAYSIDE WANDERINGS IN OUR RURAL REGIONS.

HAVE you ever thought of the rapid decrease in population in our remote New England country towns? In riding through several of these towns of late, I have observed many unoccupied and dilapidated old homesteads; and in conversation with older people than myself, have learned, that, in many school districts where the olden time school-master wielded the birchen rod over seventy-five noisy, romping boys and girls, the modern school-ma'am is troubled to call together even in the mild autumn months a round dozen. In 1879 the writer taught in one of these remote districts and had twenty pupils; and his successor in 1886 gathered from the same territory eleven pupils only. What is true of this country district is true of hundreds which I can mention in Maine and New Hampshire.

Out of my twenty pupils in 1879, to my knowledge ten have already left the homestead and are now located in the manufacturing centers of New England. While I do not write to cast reflections upon the course taken by these representative young men and women, I ask, is not this phase of New England life to be lamented? and does it not mean that our good old New England Puritan type of ancestry is being crushed out, and that we are rapidly losing what I will venture to call New England individuality? If our Puritan ancestors were somewhat illiberal and intolerant, their descendants have evinced a staunch, brave, conservative, and well-balanced type of manliness.

In the neighborhood in which I was born, I recall, fifteen years ago, thirty-two homesteads and two hundred and eight persons living thereon; to-day I can count from the same territory but one hundred and twenty-three persons. Thus we find a decrease of forty per cent. in fifteen years; and I will add that few of the

one hundred and twenty-three now living in this neighborhood are in poverty, although all are isolated from the busy centers of the world.

In studying these facts, I disclaim the pessimistic spirit, but I think the agricultural community in New England is, for the present, waning. I grant that we have wonderful facilities for operating these New England farms. The old wooden plough-share and straight-handled, ill-proportioned scythe, the home-made hand loom and time-honored spinning wheel, of my grandfather's and grandmother's time, have been scattered hither and thither; but have the farms of New England grown more productive, and are they as well adapted to a livelihood as they were before improved machinery was invented?

To my mind it is not the disadvantages of operating these ancestral acres so much as it is the fact that they are becoming year by year more sterile that has caused, and is causing, this rapid migration from our rural homes to the commercial and manufacturing centers of New England, and to the productive regions of the West. I can point to localities where the proprietor single-handed, forty years ago, is said to have raised a thousand bushels of potatoes a year; and to-day I do not believe that any man of brawn can do more than to eke out a doubtful existence thereon.

The great potato region of Aroostook is rapidly being impoverished, and the valued forests of northern Maine are fast going before the woodman's ax. With these and other changes which effect the agricultural and business prosperity of these New England States, is it any wonder that the present generation is moving into the great commercial and manufacturing circles, or that so many leave the old homesteads of New England for the undeveloped sections of our country to seek fortune or fame?

Prof. Winchell, of the University of Minn., has been appointed one of the commissioners to test coins at the United States mints.

The Sixth Annual Contest of the Ohio Intercollegiate Oratorical Association was held at Deleware, Ohio, Feb. 17. The contesting colleges were Marietta, Denison, Wooster, Oberlin, Buchtel, Wittenborg, Ohio State, and Ohio Wesleyan.

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April Fool!

Mongrel time.

Congress has power.

A piano has been moved into the Beta Theta Pi House.

The Seniors begin political economy Monday, May 1.

Some one congratulate us—the last Cadet was out on time.

Juniors commenced to read their German Novel to-day, April 17.

The Beta Theta Pi recently initiated Horace P. Farrington into their society.

Mr. J. R. Farrington, Supt. of the State Reform school, recently visited the college.

Prof. Rogers let the French class out fifteen minutes early the other day. *He was sick.*

Robbie F. ventures to “assume the responsibility,” and grant Boardman a leave of absence.

We noticed E. F. Ladd, '84, of the New York Experiment Station, in town the past week.

Invitations are out for the Junior Ball. Engraved plate, too. “Wont we have a jolly time?”

Lieut. Phillips is instructing the Neally Rifles, of Lewiston, preparatory to their Washington trip.

The Senior Mechanicals finished Compound Engines, and have taken up Bowser's Hydro-Mechanics.

Prof. Flint has been taking some very clear blue prints this term, and is well satisfied with the apparatus.

Lazell '87, Gay '89, Stevens '89, Coffin '89, Kelley and Wight '90 have recently been home for short visits.

Senior Mechanicals are taking a course in wood turning, under Prof. Flint. The shop is a busy place now.

Cilley, '87, has a class in Spanish at the village, and in order to be near his work has moved down town.

Bellows' Manual of Land Surveying is being used by the '89 Civils instead of Davies'. They have just begun field work.

The uniforms for the nine have been put in order, and the bats, balls and other necessities for the spring campaign obtained.

Some of the White Hall boys have recently bought a pair of boxing gloves, and are now punching each other for dear life.

The Seniors are hard at work on their theses. Fortunately for the civils, the M. C. R. R. put in a new bridge at Orono last Fall.

Forge work commenced April 10th, under the instruction of Mr. Webb. There are three Sophomores and five Freshmen taking the course.

Did any one ever think of the fine place for *boating* we have, or should have, were it not for the fact that sport of any kind was out of order?

A number of the students took in the Easter Monday Ball, at Old Town. The College Orchestra dispensed sweet music, and all report a good time.

The mid-term examinations came Friday, April 15. The Senior Civils were examined in Civil Engineering, Sophomores in Astronomy, and the Freshmen in Rhetoric.

Mr. and Miss Libby entertained their friends at Monitor Hall on the evening of March 30th. General dancing, refreshments, and a short german composed the programme.

Ten out of eighteen of the Sophomores got free from the examination in Astronomy by the ninety per cent. method, and had it not been for absence the number would have been larger.

The Q. T. V. Society Hall is to be moved from its present location, which is to be the site of the new Natural History Building, to the permanent site back of the Campus front, where a new Society Club-House is to be erected for members of the Fraternity.

Prof. and Mrs. Aubert were the recipients of a handsome fruit holder from the Chemists and Agriculturalists under the instruction of the Prof., as a token of esteem and good wishes. The Prof. responded to the presentation in remarks well-timed, expressive of his appreciation of the gift.

One foot of snow fell April 3rd. *Beautiful Spring.*

We would suggest to a certain mail carrier that he is paid to *carry* the mail.

Mike says he would like to look through a telescope and see the *Vernal Equinox*.

Andrews, '88, has been appointed one of the directors of the Nine to fill Small's place.

At the breakfast table, one morning, some one was heard to call for some filter paper to filter his coffee.

At the last game of polo, between the M. S. C.s and the F. O. B.s, at Bangor, the M. S. C.s came out ahead by a score of 5 to 4.

The Sophomore Engineers have completed their course in Qualitative Analysis, and commenced Descriptive Geometry in its place.

On the 22nd, quite a number of the students went to Bangor to attend "As you like it." All were delighted with Margaret's acting, and pronounce her A No. 1.

The diamond is unusually backward this spring, and the Freshmen unusually forward. If all the water on the diamond was spilled on the Freshmen we might get a happy mean for both.

The directors of the Experiment Station had a meeting early in April. Among other business transacted they decided to keep the station running until an appropriation is made for the Hatch bill.

Prof. Hamlin has just received the Pool transit, which was sent away for repairs, thoroughly repaired. This instrument virtually adds another transit to the department, and will supply a long-felt need.

Those who are to compete for the Prentiss Prize, in the Sophomore class, have been appointed, and are as follows: Briggs, Cushman, Edgerly, Furgurson, Folsom, Freeman, Reed, Stevens, and Misses Mathews, Reed and Leavitt.

President Fernald performed the Pendulum Experiment, in the new barn, at the farm, before the Junior and Sophomore classes, April 12, conclusively showing to the classes that the world goes around. How strange that the faculty cannot comprehend it!!

Many of the trees on the road to the village need pruning. Probably it will be necessary to saw off some of the lower branches when the Seniors come out in their "silkies."

Mr. Gowell has resigned his position as farm superintendent, and returned to his own farm in Bowdoin, Me. Under Mr. Gowell's superintendence the farm has prospered. Both he and Mrs. Gowell leave many friends at the College, who wish them success. Prof. Balentine will fill his place.

Small, the pitcher for the M. S. C. nine, having a very tempting offer from the Portlands, has left College for this term, and will play on the Portland team this season. It of course makes a great hole in the nine, but the other pitchers are coming up finely. Small says he will be back again in the fall.

The other day the Freshmen feeling the need of some fresh fruit, chipped in and sent one of their valiant classmates down to the boarding house to bring up the apples. But apples are not good for Freshmen, and one of the wiser and older students saw fit to relieve him of his burden, so, opening a door as the apples went by, he laid his hand on the basket, while the valiant Freshie gravely and silently ambled away.

What came very near being a serious accident happened the other day in front of Brick Hall. Miss Reed and Miss Mathews, on their way down from Stillwater, were driving rapidly toward the stable, when the wheels of their carriage caught in Folsom's and quickly overturned the young ladies. Fortunately, however, no one was seriously injured, though the ladies were some bruised and considerably frightened. And now some one has the cruelty to say the Co-eds are "all broke up" over Folsom.

As Wednesday evening of Commencement week, the usual time which the Commencement concert is held, is to be occupied by the Alumni lecture, the Seniors have voted to have the Commencement concert at the Bangor Opera House, on Thursday evening, June 30th. No expense or pains will be spared to make it a great success. They contemplate running a special train from Old Town and Orono, and arranging so that it will cost no more to go and hear the concert from Old Town or Orono than it does from Bangor.

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The nine as chosen by the directors, are as follows: Andrews, pt. lf., Rogers, ct. 3b., Elwell, s. s., Mason, 1b., Philbrook, 2b., Bird 3b. etc., MacNally, rf., Burleigh, cf., Vose, lf. and p. MacNally was elected captain, and Vose coacher. Games will probably be arranged with each of the other colleges, as soon as can be done. The first game will be with the Colbys, in Bangor, May 7th.

Several of the students availed themselves of the opportunity of attending the Coffee party held under the auspices of the Orono Lodge of I. O. G. T., Thursday evening, April 21, at their hall. The program consisted of Readings, Recitations and Music, after which refreshments were served. All who attended, report a fine time, but we are afraid that the recommendations of the Governor as to the manner in which the day should be spent were not strictly adhered to.

The Amherst Glee Club gave a concert consisting of college songs and Banjo and Guitar selections, in the Opera House at Bangor, April 20. College songs by college men are always interesting, and more so when rendered by so fine a glee club as that of Amherst. The humming choruses, warbling and whistling, each showed careful training added to natural ability. Mr. Palmer's solos on the guitar and banjo were finely executed. We hope to see them here again in the near future.

We clip the following from the Bangor Commercial of April 20th:

"Alfred B. Aubert, Professor of Chemistry at the Maine State College, and Mrs. Hattie S. Wording, of this city, were married at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. H. S. Haney, on Main St., to-day. The bridegroom is a gentleman of brilliant education, and numbers among his friends every alumnus and student of the State College. He holds high rank among the chemists of New England. The bride is a very estimable lady, having many warm friends in Bangor. Rev. Amory Battles officiated at the ceremony this morning, and only near relatives were present. Prof. and Mrs. Aubert will make no bridal trip, but will occupy at once their handsome residence on the college grounds at Orono. They have the kindest wishes of many acquaintances for their future happiness."

The editors of the CADET join with the students in wishing them *more* happiness.

PERSONALS.

'73.

Prof. Frank Lamson Scribner is now connected with the Botanical Divisions of the Agricultural Department at Washington. His special work is upon Fungi, in which he is quite an expert. He has just issued a finely written report through the Department on the Fungus Diseases of the Grape Vine, which the Government circulate very extensively. We learn that Prof. Scribner will attend the alumni reunion at Commencement.

'76.

Edward Abbott, M. D., formerly of Winterport, has taken the practice of the late Dr. A. D. Weeks, of Providence, R. I. Dr. Abbott represents the fourth generation of physicians in his family. His grandfather was graduated from Harvard Medical University in 1803. Among the family have been many prominent practitioners in this and other New England States. Dr. Abbott was uniformly successful during his stay in Winterport and his many friends wish him success in his new field of labor.

Walter F. Robinson is now U. S. Signal Service Officer at Fort Apache, Arizona Territory.

'79.

Charles S. Loring, of the firm of King & Loring, machinists, of Lewiston died suddenly of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis, March 28. He was buried at Winthrop, Me., April 1st under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, of which he was an esteemed member.

'83.

Geo. L. Rich, a son of the Rev. J. A. Rich, formerly of Orono, is now on the editorial staff of the Boston Advertiser, and is meeting with fine success as a journalist.

'84.

Edward S. Abbott, M. D., of Bridgton paid a short visit to the College recently.

C. F. Smith has been principal of the High School at Lenox, Mass., during the past year, and has also paid attention to other schools in the place. Everything under his charge has

prospered, and his year's work, judging from the town report, has been a decided and complete success.

'85.

Asher Dole has employment in the engineering office of the Land and River Improvement Co., at Superior, Wisconsin. Mr. Dole went West soon after graduating, and has since been successfully engaged in engineering.

Keyes is teaching the High School at Pembroke, Me., and is meeting with good success. He paid a flying visit to the College a short time since.

Frank E. Hull now serves on the Superintending School Committee at his home in Warren, Me.

In Guilford, Jan. 1, by Rev. C. B. Averill, H. M. Davis of Hillsboro, Dak., to Clara E. Webber of Guilford. Mr. Davis is finely situated in Dak. where he is a partner in a mercantile firm, doing a fine business in this growing State.

Louis W. Riggs, who for some time past has been instructor in the Sciences at Greely Institute, Cumberland, Me., goes soon to take charge of the Scientific department of the Mount Hermon Boys School in Mass.

F. H. Butler is at Chiticothe, Mo., on the engineering staff of the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul R. R.

'86.

Arthur D. Page is at work with Sturtevant & Todd, Engineers at St. Cloud, Minn.

Elmer Lenfest is with Elmer & Morrison, at St. Paul, Minn. They are at present laying out city additions.

R. K. Jones has accepted a position with Bradley & Hastings, a wholesale hardware firm in Boston.

G. F. Lull is chemist for the Pulp Co., at Great Works.

W. H. Merriam is at work in Minneapolis, Minn., in the engineering office of the M. S. S. M. & A. Railway Co.

'88.

S. F. Miller is at his home in Burlington, in poor health.

C. B. Gould and F. A. Smith were candidates for the appointment at West Point, at the examination in Bangor, April 27.

Small has left College and is playing ball with the Portlands probably for the season. He is making a fine record, and will probably return to College in the fall to complete his course.

'89.

Gay, Ferguson, and Stevens are at home for a short time.

'90.

Terrell has gone home intending to return and join '91.

Andrews, Cargill, Drew, Jones, Kelley and Wight are at their homes enjoying a short vacation.

EXCHANGES.

We have noticed in some of our Exchanges a growing tendency to give increased attention to the Literary Department and in others, that this is advocated as being the proper thing to do. Now we don't think it is. There are enough literary newspapers, magazines and journals to supply all *that* kind of literature that is needed, and the world would never miss the feeble efforts of the college editor in that direction. But there is something that it would miss and that it will miss, but for him, and that it is his privilege and duty to supply; and that is, as thorough an account as possible of what is transpiring in the college world. For this same college world is getting to be a pretty big and important one now-a-days and there is much going on in it that is well worthy of being brought to the notice of the world at large. This, we think, should be the mission of the college journal. The Editorial, Campus, Personal, and Exchange Departments should receive the utmost consideration. Of course we do not mean to say that it would be advisable to banish the Literary Department entirely, for a good story or anecdote or a good poem is acceptable almost anywhere and such are, no doubt, an advantage to a college paper. But

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when we see an Exchange whose Literary Department contains as much, and sometimes more matter than all the others put together, we consider that *that* Exchange is making a mistake.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt for the first time, of the *Yale Literary Magazine*; we are only too glad to exchange and will not attempt to criticise.

In the last issue of the *Orient* appears, as a frontispiece, a cut of the college chapel, designed and executed by a lady of Brunswick. We consider it quite an embellishment, and wish that some lady of *our* natal town might be so artistically inclined, and to the College, favorably inclined as to do as much for us.

The following from the *Echo* we think is worthy of notice: "What clubs will comprise the college league is not yet certainly known. Each of the other Maine colleges seems to be in rather a disorganized state as regards base ball. The State College nine now seems out of the question as their Faculty still persist in what must seem their rather bigoted course."

We see by the *Chironian* that several gentlemen have offered to subscribe liberally toward a new college building and hospital for the Homeopathic Medical College of New York, and that the Faculty has appointed a committee for securing the necessary building lots. The college will be organized under a new charter and the name will be changed to the New York Homeopathic Medical College and Hospital.

Says the *Dartmouth*: "Among the numerous contributions with which we have been favored are many that have not been published. None of them are without merit, but with our limited space we are able to print only those which seem to our impartial judgment the best." We did not deem it possible that college editors could be overburdened with contributions and actually obliged to use a good deal of discretion in selecting the best. Surely college journalism is progressing with rapid strides.

In the *Beacon* for March, under the head of "Alumni Department," is a long discourse on Edwin Thomas Booth; it is an ably written article and contains valuable information concerning the greatest of America's tragedians.

We congratulate the B. U. on having an alumnus, who can and will so effectually aid the editors of the *Beacon* in their work.

The *Lantern* for March is out with a long editorial against the demerit system at the Ohio State University. What it says is both sensible and true, and we heartily agree with it in condemning the system as unjust, to the students and unworthy the present advanced state of institutions of learning.

The *University*, mourns the death of Charles W. Baird, D. D., and Rev. Israel W. Cochrane, both noted divines and both graduates of the University of the City of New York.

OTHER COLLEGES.

There is about \$1,000,000 invested in college gymnasias in the United States.

It is said that Daniel Webster edited the first college paper, the *Dartmouth Gazette*.

The first foot-ball game in this country was played at Yale between classes of '42 and '43.

President Fanstable of the Imperial University of Japan, is travelling in the United States.

The celebrated Hungarian artist, Munkacsy, is painting a portrait of President McCosh of Princeton.—*Ex.*

A gymnasium has been lately completed for the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute which cost \$16,255.92.

The faculty of Earlham College have forbid the use of tobacco among the students.

The law school of the University of Michigan has a student who is sixty-five years old. He is a catholic priest.—*Ex.*

Ex-President White gave his large library of 30,000 volumes, valued at \$100,000, to Cornell University.

Lyons '85, of Yale, has made the longest throw, and also the longest hit in the Inter-collegiate record. Distance being 385 ft. 2 in., and 450 ft. respectively.—*Ex.*

During the last thirty years the State of Michigan has given to the Ann Arbor University the sum of \$1,000,000.

On the 23rd of March the graduates of Colby University, resident in Portland and vicinity, assembled in that city for the purpose of forming the "Colby Alumni Association of Portland."

Garfield University will now be established at Wachita, Kansas. The building and grounds will cost \$200,000, of which the town gives \$100,000 in order to have the University located there.

The students of the University of Pennsylvania have adopted as a college dress the Oxford cap and gown, and take every opportunity that presents itself of parading through the crowded streets of Philadelphia in full uniform.

Prof. W. C. Trowbridge, of the Columbia School of Mines, who is a specialist in animal mechanics, says that at the rate of speed at which college four-mile boat races are rowed, the average oarsman's stored-up energy cannot last further than the third mile. The last mile is a dead pull on the vital organs, and only a test of the soundness of lungs and heart. The Professor's figures show that during the twenty-one minutes of a race each college man does the work of seven strong men.—*Ex.*

Lehigh University is about to lose its prospective \$10,000,000 endowment from the Parker estate. Asa Parker died in 1879, leaving a widow, two sons and a daughter. All are dead save the daughter, aged 45, who is married, and if an heir is born, he and not the University will get the \$10,000,000.—*Ex.*

Columbia College was chartered as Kings College, on the 31st of October, 1754. During the Revolution, when New York was captured by the English, the college was closed. In 1784 the State Legislature of New York passed an act which changed the name of the college to Columbia College and placed it under the control of a body entitled "The Regents of the University of New York." On the 13th of Apr., 1787, the State Legislature repealed the act of 1784, revised and confirmed, with certain necessary alterations, the royal charter of 1754, decreed "that the college thereby established, shall be henceforth called Columbia College," and placed it in charge of trustees of its own.

—*Ex.*

Hill, the Dickinson College student who proceeded against the faculty for expelling him, has been taken back by order of the court.

Leyden University, in Holland, is the richest in the world. Its real estate alone is said to be worth \$4,000,000.

The Tory students of Cambridge University, England, have uprooted the tree which was planted there recently by Mr. Gladstone.

—*The Tech.*

SCIENTIFIC AND ENGINEERING SCRAPS.

The \$100,000 library building presented to Yale by S. B. Chittenden will be of red sandstone, four stories high, and in the shape of a cross. It will have a reading-room that will accommodate 150 persons.

The world's smelted copper production in 1886 was 210,000 tons, of which the Lake Superior region of the United States furnished 35,000 tons; Montana 25,000; Arizona and other localities, 10,000; Spain, 45,000 tons; Chili, 37,000, and England 3,000.

The production of pig iron in this country has advanced from 4,520,000 tons in 1885, to 5,600,000 in 1886.

Owing to the increased electrical intensity of the atmosphere, which is induced by the continual evolution of steam and smoke, Dr. Andries estimates that the danger from lightning is from three to five times greater than it was fifty years ago.

It is said that in the event of a European war Italy could place an army of 2,400,000 men in the field. Russia has 6,000,000 soldiers at her command.

An edition of the Bible in two volumes, the first book ever printed, was sold in London a short time ago for \$18,000.

The Phoenix Bridge Co. of Phoenixville, Pa., have made a contract for a steel bridge to be built across the Ohio River between Cincinnati, O., and Covington, Ky. It will weigh about 1,500,00 pounds, and will have spans 500 feet long. The contract price is about \$1,000,000, and the work will be commenced immediately.

CHATS ABOUT CELEBRITIES.

The Crown Prince of Italy is down with the measles.

Sam Jones is supporting four young men at college in Georgia.

After making a million, poor Raymond left but \$30,000, most of which was his life insurance.

Victor Hugo's will has been admitted to probate. His property in England is valued at £92,000. His daughter and grandchildren are the sole heirs. An annuity of £400 is left to the widow of his son Charles.

When Queen Victoria travels she is supplied with a special time-table printed elegantly in mauve, on thick, white paper, bordered in gold and surmounted by the royal arms.

Gail Hamilton has temporarily injured her eyesight from over-reading.

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HAPPILY ENDED.

[From the Washington Post.]

McCosh and Holmes
By Harvard's domes
Indulged a bit of scrimmage,
And Holmes he stuck
A little muck
On Princeton's graven image.

McCosh said he
"This dominee—
Ring Harvard heathen sinner!
I'll hear no more!"
And home he tore
And went without his dinner.

Wrote Holmes: "McCosh,
So help me gosh
I swun I never meant it;
My goose quill slipped—
A couplet ripped—
I solemnly repent it."
"The world is wide,"
McCosh replied,

"We walk apart hereafter.
If you're a man
Our Jonathan
To greet with gibe and laughter."

Says Holmes: "No, no;
It shan't be so.
Behold a liberal bigot.
I here confess
My narrowness—
Our bunghold is a spigot."

McCosh went down
Without a frown;
They cut their creed doors wider;
'Neath Cambridge boughs
Renewed their vows,
And washed them down in cider.

A TOO COMMON BILL OF FARE.

"What have you for dessert?" asked the tired boarder of the new girl with spit curls and an avenging smile.

"Mincepieapplepierasberryrollandcocoanut puddingonlythecocoanutpuddin'salloutanthatswhatyoutgetforcominlate." answered the sweet thing.—*Detroit Free Press.*

Nellie—Were you ever tobogganing in Canada?"

Minnie—Yes; but it isn't half so nice as it is in Omaha."

"Too cold?"

"No, that doesn't matter, but the slides are so awfully steep."

"Steeper than ours?"

"Oh, ever so much. Why, they are so dangerous that the gentlemen can't do a thing but just watch the course and steer."

"I wouldn't like that myself."—*Omaha World.*

"How long since your father has given you a good licking, sonny?"

"He never did."

"Look out, youngster? You know where liars go to?"

"I ain't lyin'. He never gave me a good lickin'; but I've had plenty of t'other kind."

—*Harper's Bazar.*

HE KNEW WHEREOF HE SPOKE.

"What is the leading branch in your school?" asked a lady of a teacher.

Before the teacher could vouchsafe a reply a little boy interrupted the conversation with:

"I know."

"And what is it, little boy?" asked the lady.

"That switch in the corner, ma'am."—*Carl Pretzel.*

An unsteady man, like an unsteady light, is apt to go out nights.—*Burlington Free Press.*

"What's the difference between a piano and a gun, Charley?" asked a young wife of her non-musical husband. "A gun kills the quickest, that's all," was the staccato response.

—*Danville Breeze.*

A little boy of our acquaintance has an uncle who is a carpenter. Jamie delights to watch him at his work. One day uncle John was cutting out a mortise, and he stopped to look in to see how deep it was, squinting his eyes up in a funny way. "Oh! Uncle John," called Jamie, "let me look in. My eyes are littler than yours."—*Youth's Companion.*

"I say, old man, you know Miss Green very well. Does she keep Lent?" "Keep it? Why my dear fellow, she's a notorious gossip; never keeps anything; she gives everything away."

—*Ex.*

"Yes, indeed, my boy," said a travelling man emphatically. "Trnth is stranger than fiction." "Yes, I s'pose so," was the reply, "but it depends a good deal on who is telling it."—*Ex.*

A Murray Hill girl says she has various kinds of beaux. For instance, a theatre beau, a reception beau, a candy beau, a flower beau, a church beau, and a beau beau.—*Ex.*

A western lecturer has selected for his subject, "A Bad Egg." He says he was struck with it some time ago.—*Ex.*

Owing to the failure of the recent attempt to assassinate the Czar, his imperial highness is not yet ready for a Czarcophagus.—*Ex.*

Speaking about employment the grave digger always stands ready to make an opening for a man when he needs it.—*Ex.*

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 While the neighbors lie and shiver in an agony of fright.
 Hear the shrieking and the roaring as though demons
 were outpouring
 From the theologic sheol or some other realm below,
 Hear the screeching and the bawling like the festive
 caterwauling
 Of a thousand toms and tabbies when they meet to have
 a row!
 Oh! the brat, brat, brat, brat, brat, brat, brat,
 Hear the squalling and the bawling of the brat!

"Yes," remarked the landlady, "it costs money to get the knives sharpened every week, but it's cheaper than buying tender meat."—*Ex.*

"Yes," sighed the milkman, "I would like to go to the ball, but I hate to have people see me wearing pumps."—*Ex.*

Irish patriots should not be discouraged. Married men have been struggling for home rule for twenty centuries, and have not yet succeeded in getting it.

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It is more difficult to correct false opinions than bad manners.—*Perefixe.*

There is nothing so unforeseen as talent; it would not be talent if it were not unforeseen.
—*H. Taine.*

There is the same difference between genius and wit as between the lightning flash and a spark.—*G. M. Valtour.*

He who does not love his country absolutely, blindly, foolishly, will never be more than half a man.—*Edm. About.*

Even ingrates are not without use: they teach us to do good from disinterested motives.
—*Jules Claretie.*

One might build a grand temple to Justice with the stones which the guilty have thrown at the innocent.—*G. M. Valtour.*

Men begin to persecute when they despair of convincing.—*Lammenais.*

The joy of revenge endures but for a moment, but that of forgiveness is eternal.—*Henry IV.*
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