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WE begin with this issue Volume V of THE CADET. The beginning of its fifth year finds it fairly prosperous, yet lacking the support which should be given a college paper of this kind. Unpaid subscriptions and more interest manifested in the contribution of articles, will go a good ways towards bringing THE CADET up to the position it should occupy.

THE lecture course being held at the Town Hall, Orono, for the benefit of the people of the town, is highly appreciated by the students of the College, who have been able to attend those thus far given. In behalf of the students, THE CADET wishes to congratulate the citizens of Orono upon the arrangement of this instructive course, and thank them for the privilege they have given the students of listening to this important feature in educational work. We are in hopes to be able to sometime return the favor by offering an opportunity for attending lectures which may be held under the College auspices.

SPEAKING of lectures we are reminded of the fact that many of our students who pay the closest attention to their studies, find little available time, that can be utilized even in attending an interesting lecture course, without

noticing the extra amount of labor that this disposal of time makes requisite to insure good work in the next day's recitations.

No evening of the week now seems available, of which the time is not noticeable under the present arrangement of recitations and work. For this reason, lectures, although highly appreciated by the students, cannot be so well attended or listened to as they would be were the feeling of the preparation of the morning's lessons awaiting their return, not an impending one throughout the discourse.

We have therefore a plan to propose which we think would give a good opportunity for attending anything of this kind without the loss of time which would be involved in this attendance. Our plan would be to reverse the order of exercises on one of the days of the week, say Wednesday, having the recitations occur in the afternoon and the two hours' work being done in the forenoon. This plan would allow considerable time for preparation of lessons in the morning and as it is a plan which has worked well in other schools, we commend it to our Faculty for consideration.

THE news of the destruction of Wingate Hall by fire Sunday, February 9th, an account of which we give in another column, will be received with sorrow by our alumni of recent as well as those of earlier days. Around this building clustered many fond memories of their college days, for it figured with more prominence than any other of the buildings, with perhaps the exception of Oak Hall. This building fulfilling the wants of the institution in its earlier days as a dormitory, recitation and work room, the oldest of the College buildings, has now passed its days of usefulness and exists only in the memory of those who cherished it. The incidents which will be recalled by former students, about the building, would be interesting to hear. Was it not there that the chapel bell hung;—that one piece of college property which more than all others, could tell many pranks perpetrated upon its unsuspecting self by bold and guileless students? Was it not upon its spires that various forms of freshmen head apparel might be seen? Was it not from off its piazza that many new comers received their first introduction to col-

lege ways and customs by a sudden shower bath? Was it not within its walls that the confiscated turkey was cooked and carved to appease the appetites of nightly marauders? Do not its recitations rooms bring to mind many an amusing incident and fond recollection of the past? But it is no more; and the wants of the future must be looked after, and plans devised to meet the present wants of the institution. The State must be asked to respond to our want, which briefly stated will be this:

A building to be used almost exclusively for the departments of Civil and Mechanical engineering, with suitable drawing rooms and recitation rooms to accommodate the students in these two departments. Such a building as required will need not less than twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars for its erection. Of this amount the ten thousand dollars received for insurance can form a part and the State must be depended upon for the remainder. Let us hope that our wants will be considered, and in the next legislature a generous response be made to them.

THE formation of an Intercollegiate Athletic Association is brought up for discussion by those who are interested in furthering the athletic interests of the colleges of the State, principally by the establishment of an intercollegiate field day. The matter, though not new, is presented by the Bowdoin Athletic Association, who has formally asked the associations of the three other colleges in the State to join with it in forming an Intercollegiate Athletic Association. As far as talk goes, both Colby and Bates are anxious for the establishment of such an association, yet the potent factor, the faculty, of the latter college has, it is rumored, disapproved of the action of the students and refused to allow the entry of that association into the league proposed. The Maine State College situated so differently in many respects from the other colleges of Maine, needs to carefully consider the question before entering hastily into the matter. An athletic association presupposes the idea of a gymnasium. We can hardly be said to have one. An association does not exist, and what we call our gymnasium is hardly worth the name applied. A small building, insufficient in size and adaptation, fitted

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with very few pieces of apparatus, is the only place where our students are supposed to toughen their muscles for competitive contests. The training for field day, however, could be carried on out of doors, as the season advances, with more profit, than within. And yet sufficient amount of muscular development and training, which can be best obtained in a gymnasium, is required to insure an average skill in the contests. Unless the three other colleges enter the association, the Maine State could not think of such action, and if they do THE CADET much as it would personally like to see such an association formed, does not think it policy to advocate such a course at the present time. Too little is known about a field day to ensure a good record for our participants; our best athletes are, as yet not sufficiently developed. What we would suggest to our students would be the immediate formation of an Athletic Association having for its object the training of its members as fully as possible under our conditions, and the establishment of an Annual Field Day. When united efforts can be looked forward to from the other colleges, then it will be time to for us consider the formation of an Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

THE base ball prospects are open for discussion for the season of 1890. The question, we are glad to notice, has not been neglected, but attention was given it early, and a general discussion of the outlook has brought out the principle points, pro and con, upon the question, which each season suggests itself to us:—Shall the Maine State College send a nine into the Intercollegiate Base Ball contest this season? By a large majority vote of the members of the Base Ball Association, the question was decided affirmatively, provided the Faculty should allow such a course to be pursued this year. Scanning closely the situation at the present time, we can but confess that the view is highly satisfactory, in as far as material for a nine is concerned. The prospects seem bright for a good nine. We base our conclusions on these grounds: The loss sustained by graduation last year did not seriously affect the prospects for this season, while the influx of excellent material from last fall's class will doubtless go far in making up for the loss

thus sustained. Those who played in the more prominent positions, with one exception, are in readiness to play this season as well and better in these games than before; while the vacant positions, it is assured, can be filled with new men who have attested their skill in games played before entering college. With six of last season's team as a nucleus it seems as if the remaining number might be readily found and together make a strong team to compete for the championship. The financial affairs of the Association are at the present time at a very low ebb. It will be necessary to look to the support more closely than last year and give sufficient assurance to the management that enough money will be pledged to adequately meet the wants of a team. The expenses for this season ought not to be large; the uniform, one of the expenses of last year is still in good condition, while with sufficient business manifestations and a good team, it would seem that the games in Bangor might net a larger amount than it is customary to obtain there. The Faculty will probably allow the team to enter the league as formerly. The prospects at the other colleges for base ball teams has been sufficiently well canvassed to draw the conclusion that our chances for success are not lessened by phenomenal development or additional strength gained since last season. In Bates, the champions of last year, we will doubtless meet, as then, our most formidable antagonist. Nothing new has developed there, yet the most of last year's team are still there and the management is energetic enough to continue the policy of earnest work which accomplished so much for them last season. At Bowdoin, the situation remains about as last year. Some of their former pitchers have been put under training and what their success will be, remains to be seen. We predict no serious difficulty with them, however. At Colby they are still weak in some of the positions wherein they were weak last year and it is thought there will be required hard work to enable them to prove a strong opponent in their contests.

We have thus far neglected the issue which is likely to be the greatest check to this season's work: the ever present society feeling which we are sorry to note enters too largely into such general interests, not only in our own

college but which has been noticeable in the other college teams' former work and is asserting itself at the opening of this season to not a little extent elsewhere. These feelings should be suppressed when anything like base-ball or any such common interest is at stake, and the hearty co-operation be given by all the students, no matter to what society they may belong or under what management the nine may be placed. Unless this can be done and the common interests of the College furthered by united efforts, then nothing can be expected to be accomplished and the advisability of entering the League under such conditions might be questioned. We are in hopes, however, that this feeling will be suppressed and that the College may place in the field a team which shall work earnestly and faithfully for the coveted position.

Our advice: "Go in and win."

ADVANCED DEGREES.

IN THE CADET for July, 1888, the subject of Advanced Degrees is discussed and the point urged that definite courses of post-graduate study, tested by examinations, should be pursued for the attainment of the Master's degree. We heartily commend the plan, and as our College occasionally confers Ph. D., we would suggest that Doctor of Science, or Doctor of Philosophy be *earned* by the study of courses prescribed by the college, the work being tested by examinations. The custom which obtains in most colleges, of conferring M. A. on graduates of three years standing without regard to their occupation during those three years, is to be deprecated. We firmly believe that a college should confer no *honorary* degrees.

The requirements for the Master's degree, now in force at Maine State College are more rigid than in colleges where three years, five dollars and the Bachelor's degree are the prerequisites, but are not rigid enough.

Post-graduate courses could be laid out by the Faculty in the various lines of Science, Modern Languages and Mechanic Arts. Each candidate for the Master's or Doctor's degree, should be required to pass thorough examina-

tions in the branches of the course he pursues, and present a satisfactory thesis before receiving his advanced degree, D. S. or Ph. D. requiring about twice as much work as the Master's degree. It is plain that the examinations could not be held at Orono, or any one place, as our graduates could not leave their positions to go a great distance to be examined. Could not the system of the London University, or the Illinois Wesleyan University, or a modification of those systems be adopted? By such a plan the graduate who wishes to pursue his studies at greater length and earn an advanced degree matriculates as a post-graduate student, specifying which of the prescribed courses he intends to pursue. He could then have his examiner appointed by the college, the examiner residing near the matriculate, and at stated times call for examination questions on the subjects in which he felt prepared. These examination questions, set by the Faculty would be sent to the appointed examiner, who would merely conduct the examination, returning the answers to the college for marking. It would of course be necessary for the college to charge fees for this extra work. We do not like to suggest additional labor for our hardworking Faculty, but hardly know how to avoid it and accomplish the purpose. A graduate could study without taking a prescribed course, but our observation has led to the conclusion that such study is apt to be desultory, especially when not tested by examinations.

—L. W. R., '85.

AN HISTORICAL SKETCH.

THE history of the early days of the Maine State College is as interesting, perhaps, to those who have its welfare at heart, as is the history of the beginning of any institution, whether educational or otherwise, which has had to overcome the prejudice and distrust of the people whom it is designed to benefit. To listen to a few anecdotes of the early days from the lips of one who has worked zealously for its establishment, and has since been prominent in its promotion, is not only entertaining and instructive, but inspires one with a feeling of thankfulness to those who have so liberally

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bestowed their efforts in order that other generations might be benefitted. Few are probably aware of the interest which Bangor citizens manifested in the establishment of the College. Yet here, before its birth, were some of its most earnest advocates and friends who have since given proof of their attachment in many ways. In bringing about the establishment of the College at Orono, the citizens of this city played an important part. As early as 1864-5, interest in the project which had been developed by Congress in 1862, under the national land grant for the establishment of such institutions as we have in almost every state at the present time, began to be aroused by those interested in such educational institutions as could be established under the provisions of the government. Trustees of the "State College," sixteen in number, had been appointed and were at work formulating plans upon which to proceed. They had made the provision that any city or town which would appropriate \$25,000 towards the establishment of the institution, should be selected as the site for the same. Citizens of Bangor favored some of the places in the eastern part of the State, but did not feel much encouraged since a strong factor had preferences for some situation west of the Kennebec.

However, a subscription paper was circulated there to obtain funds for the new institution, and, as we shall see, it met with good success. Very prominent among its first advocates was Hon. William P. Wingate, who, for sixteen years held a position on the board of trustees, and for whom, the recently destroyed building, Wingate Hall, was named. He was the person most interested in the circulation of the subscription paper in Bangor, and he now has in his possession the list of subscribers and the amount given by each of these generous citizens. Among these names may be found Ex-Vice President Hamlin, Isaiah Stetson, George Stetson, Wm. P. Strickland and many other prominent men of that place. These gentlemen had in their minds a farm in Orrington, known as the Goodale Farm, which would be furnished by the town, and they would make up enough to furnish the \$25,000 which would be required. This place and offer was made known to the trustees, but the place was rejected by them. Soon after this Mr.

Wingate became acquainted with what were known as the White and Frost farms, upon which the College is now situated, and, less discouraged than his associates, he proposed to them his plans in favor of the situation at Orono. They had little faith, however, that he could bring about its establishment there, but he went ahead and secured the refusal of the two places.

At a meeting of the trustees to be held in Newport soon after, Mr. Wingate, on account of the interest he had manifested, was invited to confer with them upon the selection of a site. He met them there, informed them of what he had done, and, in a business-like manner, promptly required a definite answer in the matter. Without much discussion, a committee of five was chosen to accompany Mr. Wingate upon his return. They were brought to Orono the next morning and were so well pleased with the situation that they immediately telegraphed to the other members to come. The decision in favor of this place was soon made, the board voting to locate in Orono at its meeting in Augusta, January 20, 1866. The two farms were purchased by the towns of Orono and Oldtown, at a cost of \$11,000 and turned over to the trustees. The remainder of the \$25,000 was secured by the subscription paper in Bangor, the amount pledged to the Goodale farm being transferred to the situation in Orono. In 1867, Wingate Hall was begun, but was not finished until the next year. Soon after, the houses upon the two farms were repaired. The building now occupied by the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity was converted into a professor's house, and that now occupied by the Q. T. V. Fraternity was utilized as a boarding house.

The State Legislature, in these times, needed earnest beseeching on the part of the friends of the State College, for the appropriations necessary to carry on the work and erect what buildings were needed. The most vigorous forms of lobbying had to be resorted to. It was noticeable that in these times the farmers were most pronounced in their action against the work, and the interests of the College had to depend to a large extent upon the support of the members from the larger cities.

After the erection of Wingate Hall, difficulty was encountered in obtaining an appropriation

from the Legislature. The resolve appropriating the money as Hon. Lyndon Oak says, "contained a provision that was distasteful to Orono. The conveyance of the College farm by the town to the State contained the provision that in case the property should be diverted to any use other than intended by such conveyance, it should revert to the town, and such reversion would carry with it all the buildings that might have been constructed and all improvements in the meantime. This feature of the conveyance was not satisfactory to the State. Coupled with the resolve, making the appropriation, was the condition, 'that in case the location of said college shall be changed from Orono, or be abandoned, or cease to be used for the purposes contemplated by the act establishing said college, then in such an event, the State shall refund to the inhabitants of Orono the sum originally paid for said lands, viz., \$11,000.' The town rejected this overture of the State by a decisive majority. This action was the result mainly of the belief of its citizens that there was a design to effect the discontinuance of the College at Orono, and have it established at some other place." The trustees were now at a loss as to what could be done; the work of construction had to be postponed a whole year. Then by a clever bit of strategy on the part of some of the members of the board of trustees, such influence was brought to bear upon the citizens that when the next town meeting was called, the vote to concede the disputed rights to the State was carried by almost as large a majority as had voted it down within the previous year.

By the time the State had obtained a clear title to the lands another appropriation had been made, and when the trustees were ready to proceed with the construction, about \$50,000 was at their disposal. The Laboratory, the Boarding-house and Oak Hall were soon erected; all being nearly completed in the year '70.

This brings us past the darker days of the Institution into a more hopeful and brighter period. Those years saw the establishment; the years since have seen its development and expansion into broader channels and a wider range of usefulness. True it has not always been pleasant sailing since those days; opposition has been encountered which for a time

would seem almost to fully impede its progress, yet it has surmounted these tides of resistance, and, let us hope, is now occupying too prominent a feature in Maine's educational resources, to degenerate, for want of support, into nothingness. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon those beneficent citizens of Bangor and other places for the earnest support and untiring efforts that they have given it, and in no way can a more fitting tribute be expressed to him who has done so much, than by perpetuating the name "Wingate Hall" in the structure which we hope may arise from the ruins of the building which has borne that appellation.

THE DESTRUCTION OF WINGATE HALL.

ON Sunday, Feb. 9th, the Maine State College suffered its first loss by fire. Wingate Hall, the oldest building on the Campus was burned to the ground.

The morning was a cold one, and the students in that building took extra precaution that their rooms might be warm on their return from church, by filling their stoves well up with fuel. From one of these over-heated stoves the fire is supposed to have caught. As there was no one in the building at the time, it acquired considerable headway before being discovered, and when first seen it had burned into the walls and spread through a large part of the building. It is doubtful if the structure could have been saved if proper facilities had been at hand, and in the absence of those facilities absolutely nothing could be done. The few students on the grounds quickly stripped the building of everything which could be moved that had not been cut off by the fire. All the instruments, papers and drawings belonging to the Civil Engineering department were saved, as was also the material in the drawing rooms and the Y. M. C. A. room. The students who roomed in the building were, however, quite heavy losers. Very few of their personal effects were saved.

The fire companies of Orono, Stillwater and Old Town responded promptly and did all that could be done. By the free use of water the fire was confined to this building, and although the water works were in order and did good

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work, it is to be regretted that no hose had been provided for the use of the College in case of fire. The best facilities might have been of no avail in this case, but there would have been a satisfaction, at least, in the thought that all was done which could have been done under any circumstances to save the building.

The insurance only covers about half the original cost, which was between \$18,000 and \$20,000, yet the institution will probably gain in the end, since a building will be erected in the near future which will be much better suited to the demands of the College in the years to come. The inconvenience occasioned by its loss is very great for the time being, however. The Civil Engineering department in particular, is badly crippled on account of a lack of drawing and recitation rooms, but the work in this course is going on without a break.

Wingate Hall was built in 1867 but was not completed until 1868. It was very solidly made, and up to the time of its burning had stood well the rough usage which such a building has to stand. As first constructed, it contained eighteen rooms, the lower ones having been fitted for recitation purposes and the upper ones for a dormitory. It was in this building that the first class lived and recited during the first two years of its course. Before the class graduated, however, the Laboratory had been completed, and Oak Hall built; Wingate Hall seems to have been the centre around which the others have been constructed. It has itself been considerably changed from time to time to meet the needs of the College. Drawing rooms were made by combining the old recitation rooms; larger recitation rooms were made from the smaller ones, so that it had continued to be a very useful structure. Around it are clustered many of the pleasant recollections of the students who have gone from the institution. The earlier classes, in particular, must have become greatly attached to it, as nearly all of their work was within its rooms, while the classes of later times have enjoyed more the use of the newer buildings.

But we should look to the brightest side of such a disaster. Will not the temporary loss be converted into a permanent gain? Such ought to be the case and it is to be hoped that it will.



THE CADET welcomes you all back to the M. S. C. and hopes you will have a very successful term.

Mr. Webb has the Juniors in Elements of Mechanism this term.

"Jim" was lucky enough to shoot a deer on a recent hunting trip. Accept our congratulations, Prof.

Prof. Rogers delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture at Town Hall on Feb. 20th. Subject, "Venice."

Kittredge seems to have the picture mania. Keep on old man, you will be a Raphael bye-and-bye.

Pres. Fernald lectured on "Across the Continent," at Orono, Feb. 13th.

The latest novelty in the cullinary department of the boarding house are "tutti frutti" doughnuts.

Wingate Hall, that old and honored landmark, was entirely destroyed by fire on the forenoon of Sunday, Feb. 9th.

Now as we return to college "wealthy" with the results of our winter's work, why not pay our subscriptions to THE CADET?

The text book in Trigonometry has been changed, Franklin's Elementary Trigonometry being substituted for Chauvenet's, which has been in use so long.

H. V. Starrett, '91, has been spending his vacation in travelling through the State, engaged in securing statistics for Maine Year Book.

The M. S. C. sympathizes with Bates at the loss of their pennant and hopes they may be fortunate enough to find it before the base ball season opens.

All of the surveying instruments and college apparatus of any value was saved by the students, but whatever private property the occupants of the building had, was a total loss.

The latest report informs us that "Billy" Drew was searching high and low for information concerning the mythical "McGinty."

The Trustees held their annual meeting at Orono, Nov. 26th, and the following officers were chosen: President, W. H. Strickland, Bangor; secretary, Wm. T. Haines, Waterville; treasurer, Prof. Geo. H. Hamlin, Orono; farm committee, Messrs. Strickland, Haines and Moore; executive committee, Messrs. Strickland, Haines and Sheppard.

The partition between the forge shop and the shop originally intended for a foundry has been removed and the whole of the Mechanical building converted into one large forge room, with accommodations for twelve students. Mr. Webb did the work during the vacation.

Dunton, '90, completed this vacation a fine pen and ink drawing of the steamer Kennebec. It is certainly a work of which any one should feel proud and reflects great credit upon the artistic skill of the "Del."

Bond, '92, one of our successful amateur photographers, has completed an album of twenty-six views of the campus and college buildings, also several interiors. The album is neatly and attractively bound and is something every graduate will want. See ad.

The reading room has been greatly improved by the addition of two new hard wood reading desks, which take the place of the old familiar oil cloth covered arrangements, and also give additional space for newspapers and periodicals.

All sides of the question considered, it certainly seems evident that we should enter the league this year. If we go in and take a good position in the race, and it seems quite likely that we can, even if we do not capture first honors. It would be a source of continual pleasure to our alumni, our students and our friends at large, who for any reason take an interest in the M. S. C. With the amount of good base-ball material that we have at college there is no doubt but that, barring accidents, we could, with judicious practice and management, enter the league and do credit to ourselves and to the M. S. C.

Under the present arrangement the boarding house will be operated by the directions of a committee consisting of President Fernald, one of the trustees, a student and Mr. Spencer, the steward. The students, through their representative will have the examination of all accounts and will only pay necessary expenses. The faculty and trustees certainly intend to do uprightly by the boys and we hope to see a change for the better in this department. W. S. Webb, '90, has been chosen to represent the students on this committee.

A new reading desk has been placed upon the platform in the chapel and the faculty look even more awe inspiring and dignified than formerly seated behind its massive proportions. The desk, which in its way is a work of art, was made by Prof. Flint.

PERSONAL INTEREST TO UNDERGRADUATES.

J. W. Davis, '91, has returned to college.

O. M. Shaw, of Hampden, has entered '93.

Geo. W. Rowe, of Bangor, has entered the Freshman class this term as a mechanical engineer.

T. R. Atkinson, of North Anson, has joined '93 as a "civil."

L. A. Boadway, '91, has returned to college and will join '92.

C. P. Kittredge, '92, who was obliged to leave on account of his eyes has returned this term with '93.

Wallace R. Farrington '91 was chosen by the editors to represent THE CADET at the New England Intercollegiate Press Association held in Boston, Feb. 22d.

C. Hamlin and H. G. Menges, '91, have been appointed sergeants of the Hamlin Rifles.

The American Protective Tariff League, of New York offers each year to the undergraduate students of the Senior classes of colleges and universities of the United States, a series of prizes for approved essays on protective issues. This year the subject announced was, The Application of the American Policy of Protection to American Shipping engaged in International Commerce. The essays to be sent to the League before March 1st, 1890, the prizes of one hundred and fifty, one hundred, and fifty dollars being awarded the three best on June 1st.

Examination for arrearages on Feb. 28th.

"Setting up" drill began for the Freshmen on Thursday, Feb. 27th.

Stag dances seem to be the fashion in Oak Hall this winter, "Jakey" and his fiddle adding greatly to the sport.

On account of the lack of space, the Old Chapel has been converted into a drawing room.

The Junior Mechanicals rejoice in the possession of the regular drawing room.

Recitations in tactics for the Juniors and Sophomores and lectures in military science for the Seniors commenced on Feb. 26th.

"The Ice Age" was the subject of Prof. Harvey's lecture given on Feb. 26th, at Town Hall.

The new catalogues are out; number of students, 130.

One of our "Freshys" rejoices in the name of "Simple Simon."

Professors Hamlin and Flint are engaged in preparing the designs and specifications for a new building to take the place of Wingate Hall.

It is reported that on the morning after the fire, "Boliver" had his designs for a new building all prepared. Somebody else besides undergraduates must have been "plugging" on Sunday.

Fire escapes have been provided for all the rooms on the third and fourth floors of Oak Hall. They consist of a sufficient length of one inch hemp rope, with knots two feet apart, to reach from the room windows to the ground at some distance from the building.

The literary exercises for the term: Themes by the Seniors, in four divisions; themes by the Juniors, also in four divisions; declamations by the Sophomores, in three divisions, and essays by the Freshmen.

An organization, for the promotion of musical interests at the college, has been formed and will be known as the M. S. C. Orchestra. The members practice daily and great things may be looked for in the future. Jones, '90, is the leading spirit.

The trustees have sent to F. E. Kidder, '79, for his designs and ideas of a building to be

erected in the place of Wingate Hall. Mr. Kidder is at present in Denver, Col.

The shop boiler was inspected on the 22nd by a representative of the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, and found to be in excellent condition. The State Boiler Inspector, Mr. Staples, was at Orono on the same day, and looked over all of the boilers in the other college buildings.

As the faculty has at last taken action in regard to the safety of the occupants of Oak Hall, by placing fire escapes in the rooms, the students cannot be too careful to keep them in the best possible condition for instant use. Any one who will disregard his own safety or that of his fellows in so far as to abuse, tamper with, or, above all, to destroy any of the ropes, deserves the severest censure and contempt of all. At a time of safety you may feel inclined to regard the matter lightly, but in case of an emergency, which is not only possible but probable to occur at any time, that little coil of rope will be worth your safety and perhaps your life. Whatever may be the provocation, no conscientious student will use the rope for any other purpose than the one designed. Guard them as you would your most valuable possession and when any great calamity happens, (which we sincerely hope never may) they will prove a factor to your safety that cannot be over estimated.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE N. E. I. P. A.

THE fourth annual convention of the New England Intercollegiate Press Association was held at the Quincy House, Boston, Feb. 22nd.

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Abbott promptly at five o'clock, there being delegates from fourteen college journals present. After the customary routine of committee reports, it was voted to have the constitution printed and circulated among the colleges. Discussion of this led Pres. Abbott to give a review of the career of the *Collegian*, and stated furthermore, that with the support of the Association he would revive the *Collegian*, which he believed could now be run successfully.

No decisive action was taken however, the matter being left in the hands of the executive committee.

Other business of minor importance was disposed of, after which, the convention adjourned to the banquet, where they demonstrated the fact that although college editors have many trials and vexations they can always do justice to a well laid banquet.

Pres. Abbott acted as toast master, and during the evening the ups and downs of the college editor, his attempts to reform the faculty, his experiences with embryo poets, endeavors to fill up the last form, etc., were thoroughly and interestingly discussed. Greetings were sent and received from the National Amateur Press Association in session at the Crawford House.

Resolutions were passed favoring: the placing of the N. E. I. P. A. on a stronger basis, and finally endeavoring to form a National Inter-collegiate Association; the admission of periodicals published by ladies' colleges; the holding of semi-annual instead of annual meetings; and opposing the admission of preparatory schools to membership.

The officers for the coming year are as follows: President, Samuel Abbott, Williams '87; vice-presidents, E. B. McFadden, Amherst; T. S. Burr, Bowdoin; W. K. Dennison, Tufts; recording secretary, G. F. Willett, Boston University; corresponding secretary, J. B. Reynolds, Dartmouth; treasurer, H. R. Palmer, Brown; executive committee, F. S. Goodrich, Wesleyan; A. M. Hitchcock, Williams; H. M. Waite, M. I. T.; J. Taylor, Jr., Andover; G. A. Baker, Williams; Wallace R. Farrington, Maine State College; S. A. Kingsley, W. P. I.; C. A. Perkins, Dartmouth; H. M. Chase, Amherst.

The association adjourned at a late hour and, although the attendance was not so large as in former years, all conceded that the meeting was a very successful and enjoyable affair.

Senator Edmunds proposed that the United States celebrate the landing of Columbus by founding a national university at Washington. He thinks this would be better than a world's fair.



'73.

Clarence Pullen, who for some time past has been connected with the *Youth's Companion*, has accepted an editorial position on *Harper's Weekly*.

'75.

S. W. Bates went to Washington, D. C., during the latter part of January in the interests of the Indurated Fibre Co., of Portland.

'76.

Chas. E. Oak is junior partner of the firm of S. W. Collins & Son, of Caribou, Me.

Hon. Wm. T. Haines, of Waterville, contributed to the discussion on the tax question going on in the *Lewiston Journal*, in an able article in that paper Feb. 1st. It will be remembered that Mr. Haines is father of the bill organizing the Tax Commission.

'77.

E. T. Danforth and S. W. Gould were "burned out" of their law office in Skowhegan on the 17th of February. It is understood that they were fairly well insured for the loss they sustained by the fire. Mr. Danforth has been on the sick list this winter, which has interfered somewhat with his duties as County Attorney.

F. F. Phillips has just been elected one of the Vice Presidents of the Life Underwriters Association, of Portland.

'78.

J. C. Patterson has been promoted to the control of the Butte and Gallatin Branch of the Northern Pacific R. R., and commands a handsome salary. The position is a very important one, for since Mr. Patterson took it, he has had eight hundred men under his control.

'79.

Chas. W. Gibbs and wife, of Silverton, Col., are visiting Mr. Gibbs' old home in Glenburn. Mr. Gibbs has been very successful at civil engineering in the West.

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L. F. Goodale has secured the position of chief engineer on the Hannibal and St. Joseph R. R., with headquarters at Hannibal, Mo.

Edward J. Blake entered upon the duties of chief engineer of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R. R., on Jan. 1st, last.

Frank E. Kidder, of Denver, Col., has been consulted about plans for a new building to be erected in place of Wingate or White Hall (defunct). As is well known Mr. Kidder was the designer of Coburn Hall, which fact is a guarantee that any plan he may submit for a new building will be a good one.

Wm. N. Titus is President of the Northwestern Land and Coal Co., of New England City, North Dakota, the eastern office of which is located in Boston, Mass.

Geo. P. Merrill, curator of the department of Lithology and Physical Geology, United States National Museum, Washington, D. C., has compiled a valuable publication of 371 pp. entitled, "The Collection of Building and Ornamental Stones in the United States National Museum;" a Hand-book and Catalogue.

'80.

J. M. Bartlett, who holds a fine position as analytical chemist at the State Experiment Station, was quietly married Dec. 2nd last, to one of Orono's most estimable young ladies, Miss S. C. Pattangall. Both parties are to be congratulated on the wisdom of their choice, as she has secured a talented man and a thorough gentleman, and he a fitting helpmate for life.

'81.

E. H. Farrington has resigned his position with Prof. Atwater, in the department of Agriculture, at Washington, D. C., to take charge of the chemical department of the Agricultural Experiment Station of the University of Illinois.

O. C. Farrington has been appointed assistant in Mineralogy and Biology at Yale.

'82.

Eben C. Webster has been chosen, by the stockholders, one of the directors of the Orono National Bank.

Chas. S. Bickford, who entered the Journalistic field in Presque Isle as editor and proprietor of the *Aroostook Herald*, sold out that paper in December last having been connected with it less than six months. During that time he was very actively employed in all the functions of the publishing business, acting at times in the capacity of type setter and proof reader, devil and editor. He acquired a good insight in the business and sold out to enter the same business in a more profitable field. He has since purchased an interest in the *Brunswick Telegraph*, and assumed the affairs of the local department and the business management. A new press, new type and an enlargement has followed and the *Telegraph* bids fair to take a prominent place among the papers of the State.

'83.

Chas. W. Mullen has the sincere sympathy of THE CADET in the affliction to which he has been subjected by the death of the lady to whom he had been married but a few hours. Miss Wilson, Mr. Mullen's fiancée, was an accomplished musician of Berlin, N. H., and was pursuing her musical studies in Boston when she was taken ill. The marriage took place at her earnest request.

'84.

R. C. Patterson, of Minneapolis, has been visiting at his old home in Dexter, Me.

E. F. Ladd, now chemist in the experiment station at Geneva, N. Y., was made a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at their last annual meeting.

Geo. H. Allan is meeting with much success in the practice of law in Portland, Me., being one of the most prominent of the younger class of lawyers there. Mr. Allan has been appointed special agent of the census office to collect statistics of recorded indebtedness in the Portland district. He has also been chosen District Counsellor of the Cumberland District Lodge of Good Templars.

'85.

Henry T. Fernald has been appointed Instructor in Biology, at John Hopkins University.

'86.

E. D. Graves, who has had charge of the Somerset, R. R. extension for the past three

years, has gone to E. Berlin, Ct., to accept a position with the Berlin Iron Bridge Co.

J. Irving Chase, of Los Angeles, Cal., has been in the East for a few weeks settling up the estate of his father, the late J. M. Chase, of Orono.

Irving B. Ray, formerly of the Boston League Ball Team, will play with the Baltimores the coming season.

J. Fred Lockwood was made a junior member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, at the annual meeting held in N. Y. City last November. Mr. Lockwood is still employed by Otis Bros. & Co., the noted elevator manufacturers.

Geo. F. Black was recently married to Miss Alice A. Hicks, of Hampden, at the residence of the bride's parents. Miss Hicks was a graduate of the Maine State College in the class of '87. THE CADET extends congratulations.

"Merriam and Merriam" are Attorneys-at-law in Spokane Falls, Wash.

J. M. Ayer is Assistant Engineer of the B. & M. R. R., headquarters at the B. & L. depot, Boston.

S. S. Twombly is studying at the McGill University Veterinary School in Montreal.

'87.

Austin D. Houghton met with quite a severe loss while on his way to Atlanta, Ga., to accept the position of Superintendent of the Industrial Department of Clark University. The freight car, in which were all of his household goods, tools, plans and drafting instruments, was wrecked in a smash-up and it and its contents totally destroyed by fire. However, in his new position, Mr. Houghton receives a handsome salary which will soon remunerate him for everything lost.

'88.

T. G. Lord has just completed a successful term of school at E. Madison, Me.

F. S. Brick, Principal of the Berlin High School, Berlin Falls, N. H., with his ready wit and musical talent is a popular man in that town. We were recently shown a grease spot on the ceiling of the Chemical Laboratory and

were told that it was all there was remaining of the once glorious Brick; but one body cannot occupy two different spaces, etc.

C. L. Howes is in Cardenas, Cuba, in the employ of the Thomson & Houston Electric Co.

R. H. Marsh, Principal of the Searsport High School, is teaching a high school at Monroe, during a vacation of the former school.

W. J. Hancock is Assistant Principal of the Bryant & Stratton Business College, Manchester, N. H.

F. L. Small is an assistant in the machine shop of the Hampton Industrial Institute, Hampton, Va. "Jocko" says he will play ball another summer if Virginia proves too hot for his constitution.

E. R. Haggett is engaged in getting out ship frames in Cambridge, Md. He has just shipped one to Bath, Me., for a vessel of 2700 tons and has several more nearly completed.

'89.

J. S. Ferguson has commenced a term of school at Abbott, Me., having just finished a successful one in the Nichols district, Searsport.

E. E. Greenwood has a good position with the Norfolk and Western R. R. in Roanoke, Va.

'90.

Geo. P. Gould who has remained with his class until this term, has left to accept a position in the office of the Hannibal & St. Joseph R. R. at Hannibal, Mo.



We wish to call the attention of those students who are in any way interested in THE CADET and the matter that is published in it, to an editorial in the issue of February 15th, of the W. P. I. The editorial is commendable for the vigorous manner in which it handles the subject in question. It is characterized by

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clearness, force and eloquence, and from beginning to end, has a ring to it which shows that the author is "conscious of the rectitude of his intentions" and which demands and compels attention. We wish to say, for the benefit of those persons who advocate the eliminating from the columns of THE CADET of every article, editorial and item which savors of vigor or fearlessness, that THE CADET is not the only paper which publishes fearless editorials, and that they do not understand the chief object which is to be attained in publishing a college journal. One can but be impressed, on a careful study of the various college journals, with the manly frankness with which a good action on the part of either faculty or students is commended, and a bad one denounced, in the editorial column. This is exactly as it should be, for the college paper is published by the students and for the students.

The *W. P. I.* complains that the Faculty are very irregular in their attendance at chapel.

"It has been hinted that the reason so many of the colleges are throwing open their doors to women is that, in this age of foot-ball, base-ball and general athletics somebody is needed for the faculty to teach."

"Believing that small colleges do the best work, Amherst proposes to limit her attendance to three hundred students."

"A base-ball nine has been formed among the professors at Cornell. One of the members is Dean of the University. Recently this nine defeated one made up of Cornell students."

As there is some talk among the students, of a course of assemblies, we publish the following dialogue for the benefit of the Freshmen:—
Miss Oldun.—"No, Mr. Hollings, I am getting too old for the assemblies."

Hollings, '93.—"Oh, don't say that, Miss Oldun."

Miss Oldun.—"Why, I feel like a faded leaf among all these young buds. . . . Do you ever press autumn leaves, Mr. Hollings?"
(Great embarrassment from '93.)—*Lampoon.*

The *Arcadia Athenæum* for February is a most excellent number, and the editors are to be congratulated on their success.

The campus editor of the *Colby Echo* asks the students to help him in obtaining items. He says it is impossible for him to notice everything. To an observer there seems to be no lack of items, and they are well written.

Considering that Fryeburg is an academy, *The Academy Bell* is an excellent publication.

The Bowdoin Orient contains an editorial on some matters connected with their ball team. Smoking and intemperance in all amusements are denounced. Evidently Bowdoin intends to redeem her reputation on the ball field.

The Hamilton Review for February contains a good editorial on Cribbing.

The *Notre Dame Scholastic* comes to us with the usual amount of good matter in it.

The *Bates Student* contains some excellent poetry.

OTHER COLLEGES.

Over 2000 students are registered at the University of Michigan.

Johns Hopkins University celebrated its fourteenth anniversary at Baltimore, Saturday, Feb. 22nd.

The first commencement at Harvard College was held Oct. 9th, 1642. A class of nine graduated.

Students who use tobacco in any form are denied admission to the University of the Pacific at San Jose, Cal.

Marshall Field has given ten acres of land, valued at \$100,000, for a site for the Chicago University.

There are two government universities in the Argentine Republic, the Curricula of which take rank with those of Harvard and Yale.

Colby has established a department in pedagogy.

Cornell's new laboratory provides accommodation for 305 additional students and will cost \$80,000.

Colby University is said to have received another legacy. It is understood that Mrs. Catherine L. Wording, who has done so much for the school during her life has left a sum of money to the institution to be used for the erection of a building for the young ladies of the university.

The University of Berlin has just published the return of its students for the first half of 1890, and the number, exclusive of 1945 outside followers of the lectures, is 5731, of whom 847 are attached to the faculty of theology, 1373 that of medicine, 1865 that of philosophy and 1646 that of law. Out of the whole number 5099 are Germans and 632 foreigners, including 121 Russians, 76 Swiss and 11 French.

An article by Dr. H. D. Jenkins in the *Interior*, states that there are 333 college. under religious control in this country, with 38,355 students in the college departments. The number of secular and State institutions is fifty-five, with 10,824 students. He computes that it costs \$200 a year to educate a lad in a State institution and only \$90 in a church institution.

The will of Benj. Thompson of Durham, N. H., after some minor bequests, bequeaths an estate worth half a million to form an agricultural college in Durham. If the conditions annexed are not complied with the money goes to Massachusetts. If that State does not comply the money goes to Michigan.

The University at Toronto, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on Friday night. The loss is estimated at over \$500,000. The fall of a lighted lamp was the cause. All the buildings, with the rare library and the museum of valuable curiosities were destroyed. The property is insured for \$164,000. The University was built in 1860.

For the first time for several years, Bowdoin College will put a boat crew on the waters. The students are very enthusiastic over the matter and have subscribed over \$700 for the support of the crew. They have already challenged the University of Pennsylvania to a race.

Harvard is proposing a plan to arrange the courses of study in that institution to comprise three instead of a four year's course. Other colleges and prominent educators are looking upon the plan with considerable interest. It is to be doubled, however, if the plan can practically be carried out.

GLEANINGS.

I do detest a man that's close,
And furthermore a day,
But if a pretty girl is close
I feel the other way.

—*Washington Post.*

Women may not love him,
Men may not adore him;
Yet he who wheels the barrow
Carries all before him.

Co-education in colleges is a success, but it isn't so much of a success as it would be if most of the girls who are co-educated in colleges were better looking.—*Somerville Journal.*

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Mr. Stoxanbonds—I understand, Quicklyrich, that you have sent your son to college. Do you intend to give him a liberal education?

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John L. Sullivan drew \$50 per week for sixteen weeks as a sporting editor, and the only item he ever wrote was: "We is satisfied that John L. Sullivan can nock out enny Livin' man on earthe no nigers nead aply."

—*Detroit Free Press.*

The two foot balls which Princeton used in the game with Harvard and Yale last autumn are being handsomely ornamented by the Princeton Football association, and will be kept as trophies. The ball used in the Yale game will be painted blue, with "1889, Yale, 10-0," painted upon it. The one used in the Harvard game will be painted crimson, with "1889, Harvard, 41-15," painted upon it.



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