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#### BATES AND THE FOOTBALL SITUATION

A THLETIC sports are a marked characteristic of the past fifty years. To-day the typical competitive athletic games are Football, Baseball, Track Athletics and Boating. For many years they were left in the hands of students without faculty interference or control. Naturally abuses arose, the pursuit of sports for sport's sake gradually degenerated into sport for the sake of beating somebody by fair means or foul.

The evils in college athletics—we accept football as a type—are due to two main causes: Desire to win by unfair means and faulty methods of control. The first of these, the tap root of the trouble, can with difficulty be eradicated, as it is simply an expression of American temperament and the craze for winning games simply embodies the present spirit and methods of trade. The second, therefore, demands most careful consideration and should be grappled with manfully and honestly. Bates men should feel a personal responsibility in assisting to provide a remedy for existing evils upon the success or failure of which must depend the continuance or abolishment of intercollegiate football.

The natural strength and weakness of the game have been too well published and discussed, especially since the close of the present season, for me to enter into details. But I believe that the present interest in football which is sometimes termed a "craze" is not a "mania," but the result of an evolution forced by a great need of the present age,

i. e., furnishing a natural vent for the surplus physical energy. It saves us very much of the rowdiness and immorality which characterized the college life of former days. Therefore, what we need is better regulation, restriction, guidance, not suppression.

In order to secure this there is work for all. The Rule Committee must supply technical changes which shall decrease use of brute force, minimize danger, lessen physical shock of mass plays, give men of average size a chance in the game and make the game more interesting to the player and spectator.

The Faculty also have obligations to assume. Why does the physical department include gymnastics and not athletics? It may be argued that there is already the Athletic Council with faculty representation which determines eligibility, scholarship standards and physical fitness of players. Yet this control is restrictive not stimulative and has often proved inefficient. Such control is of little influence compared with the daily teaching and personal contact of coaches and over-stimulating alumni and cannot properly safeguard the athletic interests of the college.

I call to mind an institution which last year had one of the "cleanest" football teams in the East! This year it had one of the dirtiest teams. The athletic board had not The players were in a large measure the same as last year. The difference in tactics was not due to a change in policy on the part of the board, nor to a deliberate increase in brutality on the part of the members of the But it was due to the entrance of a new coach with a brutal policy. A teacher in any branch of college education should not be tolerated who teaches brutality, cheating and the evasion of rules. The responsibility of this clearcut attitude of sport rests with the college faculty, who in the past have not fully accepted this responsibility. Especially since the close of the football season have the leading educators awakened to the condition of affairs with the result that Harvard, Columbia, Northwestern, Wisconsin, New York and other universities have dropped the game from their curriculum of sports until a better basis is

secured. Bates students and alumni should also feel that they have a call in this readjustment. Surely in the problems of managing, captaining, and playing there is ample field for student initiative and responsibility. Commercialism, proselyting, making the game a business, expensive training tables, athletic tramps and bums must pass. What the game demands is faculty regulation, better student management, cleaner men teaching the game, a more gentlemanly spirit between opponents, a college spirit that gives as well as demands the "Square Deal." Whatever vitally lowers the morals of college men, be it physical, psychical or ethical, must be eliminated.

What are our future prospects. The new rules, if successful in meeting the popular demands, will place mere beef below par, practically eliminate brutality, mass play, the catapulting of men through the line, give us better officials and restrict piling up, or, in other words, open the game and place a premium upon kicking. Bates should have nothing to fear in the supplanting of beef by speed and muscle.

The graduating of seven of the best athletes who ever represented Bates should only stimulate. The meeting of difficult problems successfully, makes men. Hard work, consistent training, harmony, college spirit,—all this gives results. Remember that nothing takes the place of spirit and loyalty. There is something radically wrong with the man or woman in whom these qualities are lacking.

Let us hold our ideals high,—let us not dodge the issue! If the game is worth saving it will live. When the smoke clears away the best only will remain. The game should live because the organism of the normal, healthy, virile boy demands just such a seasonable team game to develop the best type of American manhood.

Let our motto be: Play hard, win like men or lose, always taking a beating without a whimper.

ROYCE D. PURINTON, Bates, '00.

#### BATES IN TRACK ATHLETICS

TRACK athletics has been the least popular of the three major sports of Bates College. As it is the most rational of all and gives opportunity for success in competition to more men than either baseball or football, it is destined to become more popular. Men of all types may find on track and field a place for the development and use of their special abilities.

Conditions at Bates have not been such as to entice men to strive for honors in this line of athletics. The time has come for a change both in conditions and in the spirit of the student body.

Our track, although not first class, is fairly good.

We hope and expect to have, for the first time, skilful coaching.

The Intercollegiate Meet being held at Lewiston, Bates can, with little expense, make many entries.

Bates men have been too apt to look at track athletes as men with some special natural ability—to think that the sprinter or miler can run fast because it comes naturally to him.

This is not so.

A good track or field athlete needs about three years of training before he does his best work.

This emphasizes the importance of coming out as Freshmen and taking a turn at coming in second or third best.

The best performers in nearly all the large colleges are men who have had two or three years' experience as "second raters."

Now nothing is more fascinating in athletics than competition in running or jumping after one gets fairly into it.

With no one but himself to depend upon, the contestant gradually acquires more nerve and independence and self-reliance until finally, after many races, he realizes that he has become one of the best in his event. Then he has won more than a race or a jump. He has developed a spirit that will cheer and aid him through life.

Let Bates men show pride this year in becoming a factor in the Intercollegiate Meet!

Let all the athletically unemployed come out for the team. They will be given jobs as runners or jumpers or pole vaulters or hurdlers and the man who doesn't do well enough to make the team will know that he has helped by encouraging and pressing others on to victory. I feel like strongly urging Bates men to action this year because I know the team has a most energetic and ambitious captain, because I know that the material in the college is exceptionally good just now, and because we graduates, young and old, are anxious to see Bates win the position to which she is entitled in the Maine Intercollegiate Track Athletic League.

WM. F. GARCELON, '90.

#### AN OUTLOOK FOR TRACK WORK

SATURDAY, May the twelfth, the Maine Intercollegiate Track and Field Meet will be held on Garcelon Field. Only once in four years—once in the college course of each one of us,—do we have this chance to see Bates, Bowdoin, Maine and Colby struggle against each other on our own athletic field. With the meet on the home field, with the track material now in college—even though it is somewhat undeveloped,—with every prospect of having an expert coach for the full out-of-door season, Bates track prospects are brighter than ever before.

The one necessary thing is to arouse the proper spirit in the student body, to secure its loyal support and confidence in the men who are to compete for Bates.

The necessity for this spirit is plain. It is not all fun to train properly for track work. It demands regular practice, early hours and carefulness of diet. Many times a man becomes discouraged and relaxes training and then the work of a week is all undone. The student body must see to it that the interest in the work is sustained, that the men are encouraged to faithful training. The lack of this spirit

has been the primary cause of the failure of Bates men on the track.

With the meet on Garcelon Field, every man who trains faithfully can be given a trial. The interclass games will be held a week previous to the intercollegiate meet and the men who make the best showings then will be given the honor of competing for the college and the chance of winning a "B."

With the meet on Garcelon Field no man can be influenced by a feeling of strangeness of surroundings; every foot of the track will be known to him; he will know that he has friends on the field and enthusiastic supporters in the grand stand. Everything will combine to give him confidence and to put him at his ease.

Although we have only four men in college who can wear track "B's"—Capt. Allan, Johnson, Wiggin and Bosworth, yet we have material in college for every event which is all we can ask for. The men are in better shape this spring, thanks to the preparation for the Indoor Meet, than ever before. Five weeks of out-of-door work with a coach such as we will have this spring will develop other point winners.

A brief sum-up of the men upon whom we can count to work on the track this spring is perhaps timely at this point:

For the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes—Redden and Gauthier, '06; Boak, Freese, Rogers and White, '07; Brown, W. Q., Hull, Pingree, '08; Peterson, '09.

440-Yard dash—Robinson, '06; Dolloff, '08; Morrell, '09; Wight, '07; Dane, '09.

880-Yard run—Allan, '06; Blake, '06; Wadleigh, '09; Ramsdell, '07; Phillips, '06; Peasley, '08; Irish, '09.

Mile and two-mile—Farrar, '06; Bosworth, '08; Wiggin, '09; Harris, '08; Corson, '08; Frost, '07; Kelly, '07; White, '09; Woodward, '09; Thurston, '06; Verrill, '06; Smith, '08; Oakes, '09; Martin, '09.

Hurdles—James, '06; Fraser, '08; Whittum, '07; Libby, '09; Jordan, '06; Schumacher, '08; Pomeroy, '09; Crommett, '09; Dionne, '09.

High jump—James, '06; Kelley, '07; Pomeroy, '09; Fraser, '08; Page, '09; Whittum, '07; Adams, '09.

Pole vault—Wiggin, 'o6; Bridges, 'o8; Whittier, 'o9; Card, 'o9; Ellis, 'o9; White, 'o7; Johnson, 'o6; French, 'o8.

Broad jump—Boak, '07; Redden, '06; White, '07; Freese, '07; Hull, '08; Dionne, '09; Hamilton, '09; Brown, '08.

Weights—Johnson, '06; Connor, '06; Jackson, '06; Foster, '07; McIntyre, '07; Page, '09; Schumacher, '08; Burbank, '09; Cochran, '09; Booker, '09; French, '08.

In the above list we have sixty-four good men each one of whom has had some experience in the event for which he is named. Why are not these sixty-four men as capable of winning points as any sixty-four men in Bowdoin or in University of Maine? Why can we not out of these sixty-four men secure a track team that will be a factor—and a big factor—in the intercollegiate meet?

The whole responsibility lies with the student body. The success or failure is up to them. It is not Manager Whittum's team nor Captain Allan's team that will meet Bowdoin, Maine and Colby; it is the Bates track team, the team that belongs to each one of the student body. With the right kind of support, May 12 will be a red letter day for Bates.

#### TENNIS PROSPECTS

THE time has come when we are talking of our prospects in baseball and track this spring. There is another branch of our athletic life which we will do well not to forget, and that is tennis. Tennis requires as much skill, and quickness of thought and action as any form of athletics. A person to play tennis well, must spend much time in practice as in any athletic sport, but one can oftentimes play tennis when one is not strong enough to engage in more strenuous sports. Tennis is open to all.

We have a bright outlook before us, and everything to strive for in tennis this spring. Last spring Doe, '05, by extremely brilliant playing won the cup in singles. We want to keep that cup and even more, we want to win the cup in doubles. Our college tournament last fall, showed that we have several excellent players. The championship in doubles was won, by fine playing, by Lewis and Dwinal, '06, yet there were several teams not far behind them in skill. In singles the championship was won by Whittum, '07, after several close games. This tournament makes us hopeful for good results this spring.

Jordan, '06, has been elected captain of the tennis team, and faithful work will be put in before the meet at Colby, May 14th. Let everyone who plays tennis or would like to play, have a hand in making a successful Tennis Team for Bates, by trying to show themselves as good as the next player. When all the students take an interest, those who play will try harder, and we will see a Tennis Team that we will all take pride in.

F., 1907.

#### FOOTBALL AT BATES

BATES sympathizers, alumni and undergraduates can well look with pride at Bates' success with the pig skin. Her standing among the Maine colleges is a monument to her past and future victories. Beginning in 1889 Bates played her first game and was defeated by Bowdoin. For the next three years she had no team. In '93 and '94 she was twice defeated by Bowdoin. In 1895 football began to be recognized at Bates and from that time she came fast to the front. In all she has played 83 games, winning 47, losing 31, and having 5 ties. Games have been played with all the big colleges and universities, including Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth and Amherst. Harvard has been scored on by Bates in two of the last five games and there is a strong probability that this will occur as often in the future.

In the Maine series Bates has won ten games from U. of M. and lost four with two tie games. From Colby she has won five, lost three and tied one. We have lost nine to Bowdoin and won five.

Better than the victories is the spirit with which the games have been played. Bates has a reputation for fair, clean, hard playing enjoyed but by few other colleges. This spirit has made Bates football what it is, a success. Here's to its long life!

#### THE BATES INDOOR MEET

O NE word will characterize the Indoor Meet held in City Hall, March the twenty-first, and that word is Success. Students and alumni all agree that it was the "best ever" and that the changes made this year added greatly to the interest of the meet.

Great credit is due to Merrill, '07, for the efficient way in which he handled the meet. Of Physical Director Cady's work hardly enough praise can be given. To say that he surpassed himself and the expectations of all is putting it mildly. Capt. Allan of the track team supervised the competitive events.

The meet resulted in a tie between 1906 and 1908 each with 24 points. 1909 was next with 15 and 1907 last with 9. Every race was fought out to a finish; good time was made in the track events and satisfactory heights and distances in the field events.

The meet opened with a fancy march and a drill by over sixty men from the lower classes. It was a pretty sight, for the whole floor space was filled. The drill consisted of free arm work and dumb-bell exercises. Later a wand drill with fancy marching was given by the same squad and drew forth a big amount of applause from the spectators.

The parallel and horizontal bar work was by far the cleverest given in recent years. The squads in this were led by Mr. Cady and were made up of Redden, French, Connor, Bonney, White, Johnson, Wiggin, Cobb and Wight.

The tricks with the Swedish horse were clever and sometimes laughable. The star gymnastic event of the evening was the tumbling. This team, made up of Connor, Wight and White, did work far above the average of the usual circus tumblers. The relay races were the most exciting things of the Meet. The corners of the hall were banked and a circular track of eighty yards was made. Each team consisted of four men and each man ran two laps making a total distance of 640 yards.

The race between 1906 and 1907 was a hair raiser. Two judges declared 1907 the winner but the third judge favored 1906 as a winner. The race was awarded to 1907 by majority rule. 1909 defeated 1908 by a very small margin and in the finals succeeded in outrunning 1907. Through a misunderstanding 1908 did not run 1906 for third place and the referee allowed the Seniors to run around alone and secure the odd point.

In the Interscholastic Relay, Edward Little High easily won from Lewiston High, while Lewiston High as easily downed Portland High. Edward Little was awarded the cup.

The Sophomores won the college championship in basket-ball by defeating 1907—9 to 6.

Summary of events:

25-Yard Dash—Won by Redden, '06; Hull, '08, 2d; White, '07, third. Time, 3 1-5 seconds.

25-Yard High Hurdles—Won by Fraser, '08; Libby, '09, second; James, '06, third. Time—3 4-5 seconds.

Potato Race—Won by Dolloff, '08; Martin, '09, second; Kendall, '06, third. Time—29 1-5 seconds.

Running High Jump—Won by Kelly, '07; James, '06, second; Pomeroy, '09, third. Height, 5 feet 3 inches.

Mile Run—Won by Bosworth, '08; Farrar, '06, second; Wiggin, '09, third. Time—4 minutes, 56 seconds.

Shot Put—Won by Johnson, '06; Schumacher, '08, second; Page, '09, third. Distance, 33 feet 4 inches.

Pole Vault—Won by Wiggin, '06; Bridges, '08, second; Whittier, '09, third. Height, 9 feet 6 inches.

Relay Races—1907 (Rogers, Capt., Whittum, Wight and White) beat 1906 (Redden, Capt., Phillips, Stevens and Allan). Time—1.16 3-5. 1909 (Pomeroy, Capt., Peterson, Cobb and Libby) beat 1908 (Hull, Capt., Fraser,

Brown and Dolloff). Time—1.17. 1909 beat 1907. Time—1.16 3-5. 1906 beat 1908 by default.

Referee—W. W. Bolster, Jr. Judges of Finish—F. E. Pomeroy, Dr. E. V. Call, Ed. Hicks. Relay Judges—H. A. Wing, John L. Reade. Starter—C. T. Cady. Timers—H. M. Davis, J. S. Pendleton. Clerks of Course—J. S. Merrill and L. G. Paine. Announcer—A. B. Lewis. Marshal—F. S. Doyle.

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Shot Put,	5	-	3	I
Running High Jump,	3	5	_	I
Pole Vault,	5	_	3	I
Mile Run,	3	-	5	I
Relay Races,	I	3	-	5
	_	_	_	_
Totals,	24	9	24	15

#### THE GIRLS' DEMONSTRATION

O N SATURDAY afternoon, March 24th, occurred the girls' demonstration of athletic work. It was an innovation in every respect. Hitherto the young ladies have given their work in City Hall, but this year the beautiful new gymnasium in the girls' dormitory was thrown open to a few friends, and many were the comments heard in appreciation. The nature of the work differed decidedly from that of previous years, it being entirely classwork rather than as formerly, the execution of individual feats.

Promptly at two o'clock the gymnasium doors swung open and the Freshman Class entered, marching, and immediately commenced a Swedish drill which was well executed. Then followed the simplest of Swedish apparatus work;—swinging on the boom, walking on the balance beams singly and in couples, rope jumping, various exercises at the bar stalls and on the saddle boom, and Swedish horse vaults. The precision and dexterity with which the

young ladies carried out the orders of the instructor were proof of long practice and the interest which they have taken in their work.

Immediately after the Freshman demonstration, the floor was prepared for a game of volley ball in which the Juniors and Sophomores formed the opposing sides. This game has been but lately introduced into the regular work and the young ladies deserve to be complimented upon the skill with which they played, it being not a little difficult to keep the ball in the air and return it immediately to the opposite side. The game was entered into heartily and many a merry laugh was heard as the ever-eluding ball bounced to and fro above the net.

The Juniors who participated were Miss Burns who is captain, and the Misses Ethel Davis, Willard, Quinby, de Rochemont, Hillman, Donnell, Clason, French, Irish, Churchill and Files.

The Sophomores were represented by Miss Hutchinson, the captain, and the Misses Doughty, Bliss, Foster, Rand, Longfellow, Melcher, Anthony, Bonney, Cummings, McLain and Lewis.

The Juniors were winners by a score of thirty-six to thirty.

Then there was presented an entirely novel feature. The Seniors gave a demonstration of their work in aesthetic gymnastics. This is the branch of work which Dr. Sargent, of Sargent School, in a recent lecture on the philosophy of dancing, asserted to be the growing phase of all physical training, at the same time dwelling at length upon its importance and value as a means of graceful development.

It was a very pretty affair, throughout, being accompanied by music. The class began with the dainty step, moving in couples around the gymnasium. They then formed in order and went through the classic arm movements. Following this came the polka series, which, like the previous step, was executed while going around the gymnasium in couples. The series closed with the heel and toe polka. These classic movements are being practiced in other colleges and the instructor in introducing them at Bates has

the welfare of the girls at heart. They serve not only as a means of development but also produce as a result co-ordination of movement. The girls have evinced a great deal of interest in this branch of the work and have proved from this year's result its future success.

The final demonstration was a basketball game played by the Seniors and Sophomores, these two classes having won in the preliminary games with the Juniors and Freshmen. During the game Miss Gutterson, the instructor, acted as referee, and the linesmen were the Misses Burns, '07, and Swift, '09. The Seniors were victorious by a score of twenty-five to six.

The players were as follows:

SENIORS.	Sophomores.	
Davis, r.f. (Captain)	l.f., Grant (Captain)	
Bragdon, 1.f	r.f., Merrill	
Wyman, j.c	j.c., Blanchard	
Wormell, l.c	Blackstone	
	l.c., Little	
	l.g., Packard	
Young, l.g	r.g., Mabel Grant	

This closed the program. Throughout the basketball game the classes cheered vigorously as each new point was won for their side, and during the entire afternoon the room resounded with 'rah-'rah-'rahs for '06, '07, '08, '09.

The result of the year's course of training is a source of satisfaction for both instructor and pupils. The work was entered upon with hearty good will, it was taken up with interest, and not for a moment has the interest flagged. It was enjoyed by all and the instructor expresses great grat-fication at the success to which the work has attained.

This term the work is to be wholly outdoor practice. English field hockey is to begin as soon as possible and it is expected that there will be two teams from each class. There are also to be regular classes in tennis. It is hoped that there may be opportunity for outdoor basketball but plans are not yet perfected.

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WE WOULD call especial attention to two articles in this number—one by Coach Purinton on Football, and the other by Head Coach Garcelon of the Harvard Track Team on Track Athletics. Both these men are well known at Bates. Both are men of great ability in their lines of athletic work. Both are square and both are hustlers. What they write on these subjects should be read generally by our students.

THE coming of Mr. M. P. Kyne to coach our track men for five weeks this spring, will lift a greatweight from the shoulders of Manager Whittum and Captain Allan. So far as we know Bates has never had thorough, systematic, and continued training on the cinder track and in the field events. Very frequently Mr. Garcelon has taken pains to make a special trip from Boston for the purpose of helping the boys out for a day or two. But though this help has been timely and valuable something more has been needed. This year we are to have the services of a thoroughly competent track athlete and coach,—a man who comes highly recommended and who will devote all his energy and enthusiasm for five weeks to building up a consistent, heady track team. With the meet in Lewiston this year we have a fine chance to make a creditable showing.

#### EMERY PRIZE STORIES DUE MAY 1

THE STUDENT calls attention once more to the Emery Short Story Prizes offered through the courtesy of Grenville C. Emery, Litt.D., Bates, '68. These prizes of Ten Dollars and Five Dollars are handed to Miss offered for short stories to be Walsh or Holmes, the literary editors, on or before May I. The competition is open to all students of Bates College. The stories are to be not less than 1,200 words nor more than 1,500 words in length. They are to be written on one side of the paper, and must be accompanied by a loose sheet bearing the name of the author and the title of the story. No name is to be signed to the manuscript itself. There is no restriction as to the choice of subject. The only stipulation made is that the stories be creditable. All manuscripts become the property of the STUDENT when accepted. Stories that are considered suitable will doubtless be published in subsequent numbers of the STUDENT.

The Student had expected to announce the judges for this contest in this number of the Student, but that has been found impracticable. Every effort will be made to select judges entirely satisfactory to every one.

Already several have stated their intention of handing in stories. But we want to hear from more of the men of the college. It is hoped a very large number of manuscripts will confront the judges the first of May.



# Local Department

#### GLIMPSES OF COLLEGE LIFE

The Bates Second baseball team has a game with Bow-doin Second, scheduled for May 2 at Brunswick.

On account of the heavy snow-storm the regular society meetings were omitted March 9th for the first time in three years.

Owing to the large number in the Sophomore Class Physics and Chemistry, which formerly were required subjects in the Sophomore year, have been made elective.

In a practice game of basketball between the Sophomores and Juniors March 6th, the Sophomores won by the score of twenty-two to twelve. Johnson for '07, and Schumacher for '08, did exceptionally good work.

The annual Senior Exhibition took place March 30th at the Main Street Free Baptist Church. Those chosen for this event were James, Johnson, Perry, Gregg, Austin, Salley and Bonney and Misses Channell, Davis, Kabatchnick, Libbey, Pulsifer and Young.

The Y. M. C. A. benefit held March 5 in the Pine Street Congregational Church was well attended and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all. Mr. Powers' rendering of David Copperfield was very delightful, and well worth the price of admission. The proceeds of the evening were about fifty-five dollars.

Contributions toward the Carnegie fund are coming in quite rapidly. A recent report of the committee appointed to canvas Lewiston and Auburn showed that already \$4,655 has been raised in the two cities. Contributions from other sources have swelled the amount so that now the committee is working on the last twenty-five thousand dollars.

A meeting of the Maine Intercollegiate Lawn Tennis Association was held March 17th at Waterville. The following officers were elected:

President-Leon Mincher, Bowdoin.

Vice-President-A. J. Butterworth, Maine.

Secretary-A. E. Emery, Colby.

Treasurer-Guy Tuttle, Bates.

It was voted to hold the meet May 14th at Colby.

The matter of reducing the society dues to one dollar a term is being discussed in the different societies. A few years ago the dues were changed from one dollar to one dollar and a half with the idea of saving enough to build the long-dreamed of and much talked of society building. Evidently that is being found impracticable and the societies are likely to return to the old standards.

Monday evening, March 12, the business meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held and officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Miss Latham, '07; Vice-President, Miss Hutchinson, '08; Corresponding Secretary, Miss De Rochemont, '07; Recording Secretary, Miss Walker, '09; Treasurer, Miss Anthony, '08. The chairmen of the following committees were also elected: Social, Miss Lewis, '08; Religious Meetings, Miss Sanderson, '07.; Missionary, Miss Mabel Schermerhorn, '08; Bible Study, Miss Files, '07.

At a meeting of the Maine Intercolligate Athletic Association held in Waterville, March 3, it was decided to hold the Track Meet, May 12, at Lewiston. The officers elected by the Association for the following year were as follows:

President-H. A. Voorhees, Bowdoin.

Vice-President-B. F. Williams, Maine.

Secretary-P. L. Thorne, Colby.

Treasurer-W. H. Whittum, Bates.

The Sophomore debates went off very smoothly last month. Seven divisions were held with a total of ninety-five speakers. The winners were Cate, Miss Anthony, Miss Lewis, Haynes, Burnell, Merrill, and Noble. The judges, Professor Lavell, Thurston, '06, and Redden, '06, although

from the college, did very acceptable work. As the class was so large thirteen were chosen for the champion debate as follows: Cate, Williams, Harrington, Campbell, Haynes, Burnell, Merrill, Noble, Bridges and Misses Anthony, Bradford, Lewis, and Schermerhorn.

In accordance with the plans of Manager Merrill the Senior and Junior basketball teams met in the Gym. March 13th to decide which should play at the City Hall Exhibition. The game was exciting and close, the first half ending in a tie. In the last half the Juniors threw two baskets and won by the score of fourteen to ten. The Juniors surpassed in passing yet were unlucky in shooting goals. Johnson and Boak for the Juniors and Austin for the Seniors did the best work.

The Sophomore and Freshman basketball teams met March 15th. On account of the close scores of February 22d great interest was manifest and both classes were out in full force as well as a large crowd of outsiders. In comparison with the Junior-Senior game the Freshman-Sophomore game was decidedly rough, and far more exciting. In the first half the playing was about even, the score being ten to seven. In the last half the Sophomores had everything their own way and won by the score of twenty-seven to nine. Fraser and Schumacher for '08, and Dionne for '09 excelled in throwing baskets.

A large crowd assembled in the chapel March 10th to hear the Prize Division of Freshman Declamations. The contest was exceedingly good as well as being very close, and great interest was manifested in it throughout. Evidently the judges were as divided in opinion as the audience for they spent a full half hour in arriving at a division. They finally settled, however, on Miss Holbrook as best among the girls, and W. F. Holman as the best among the boys. Those who succeded in making the prize division were: Misses Culhane, Brush, Pomeroy, Brown, Holbrook and Nettleton and Messrs. Lancaster, Page, Sawyer, White, Holman and Stinson.

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. Edwin S. Connor of Castine, spent a few days recently with Miss Laura Day, '06.

Miss Mary W. Blanchard, Mount Holyoke, '06, visited her sister, Miss Elsie Blanchard, '08, a few days last month.

Miss Evangeline Hathaway of Boston, representing the Fisk Teachers' Agency, was at the New Dormitory a few weeks ago.

F. W. Jackson, '07, was selected as delegate to the convention of Y. M. C. A. presidents which was held at Williams College, Massachusetts, April 5 to 8.

Miss Rich, a sister of Rich, '07, spent several days last month with the Misses Schermerhorn, '08. March 10 a party was given in her honor at Cheney House.

The Rev. Shirley Jackson Case, now instructor in the Yale Divinity School, has been chosen as the successor to the late Professor B. F. Hayes in the Faculty of the Cobb Divinity School. Mr. Case will begin his duties here at the beginning of the fall term, next September. As he is a man of known ability no doubt he will do much to strengthen the already able Divinity School Faculty.

At the regular meeting of the Deutscher Verein, March 5th, Professor Ham of Bowdoin was present and spoke very interestingly of the life of the German poet, Heine. Following his talk Mrs. Clark sang several German songs. At the business meeting of the Verein, held later, the following from 1907 were elected members: Boak, Freese, Rich, Jackson, Caswell, Rogers, McIntyre and White. They will be initiated this term.

The Seniors recently gave a very pleasant party at the New Dormitory in honor of Mrs. Edwin S. Connor. The company assembled in the Fiske Room where an informal reception, music and a social half hour were enjoyed. Then followed games in the gym. and refreshments in the dining-room which was decorated with garnet and blue, the Senior colors. To say it was a typical 'o6 gathering is sufficient proof of its success.

#### **SMILES**

Why do the Freshmen smile with glee? Because—they've passed Geometry.

IN CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

Ques.—"What time is it? Ans.—"H<sub>2</sub> S O<sub>4</sub>."

Professor H.—"Miss X! Tell all you know about the landscape of Heaven."

Miss X.—"I haven't gone as far as that."

Common report has it that the Seniors petitioned one professor to give an exam. of less than one hundred questions, but the petition was refused.

It is rumored that a prominent member of the Freshman Class is to write a new text-book on "The Essentials of Imagination or Geometry Exposed."

DON'TS FOR SOPHOMORES.

Don't pretend to own the earth.

Rockefeller still owns a few oil wells.

Don't be afraid of the Freshmen. They are harmless.

Don't study.

Follow the example of the Juniors.

Don't furnish too much hot air. Steam heat is better than a furnace.

Don't look down on the Faculty.

Some day they may be your equals.

Don'ts for Juniors next month.

#### THE NASHVILLE CONVENTION

THE Bates delegation for Nashville left Lewiston early on Saturday morning, February 24th. The trip to Boston was a pleasant and uneventful one. It was on the boat that an event happened—but it is better not to speak of that. The boat left Boston at four o'clock and by suppertime we had lost the hungry feeling which the first hour's ride in the salt breeze had given us. The trip on the whole was very pleasant and we were sorry to leave the boat.

The forenoon was half spent before the train, which was to take us to Atlanta, left Norfolk. We watched the country with interest as we passed slowly by, for it was the first time that any of us had been in the South. Down we went through the Carolinas into Georgia, studying the people in the car, and wondering why the trains never could be on time. At Atlanta the sky was clouded, it was cold and damp, with a strong wind blowing and we felt as though the "sunny South" was a phrase evolved from some one's imagination. It had cleared off beautiful, however, that afternoon, when we stood on the summit of Lookout Mountain. Just across the valley was Missionary Ridge, and not far away was Chickamauga. Close beside us were some of the very cannon used during the battle, and in imagination we could hear the battle's roar and see through clouds of lifting smoke, "the thin grey line" as it was driven back, slowly back.

We left Chattanooga in the middle of the night and on Wednesday morning we pulled into Nashville. "Are we really here?" We could not help asking the question as we filed off the train and passed up stairs into the beautiful Union Station. We went immediately to the Registration Bureau where we received our assignments and tickets of admission. Then we went to our places in order to rest and prepare ourselves for the first session of the convention, which came at half-past three that afternoon.

At a few moments after three we entered the immense auditorium. The delegations were seated by states so our

delegation was able to sit together during most of the meetings. A general hush of expectancy pervaded the whole assembly of over five thousand people, as Mr. John R. Mott, chairman of the convention, announced the opening hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." After the opening exercises Mott delivered the first address of the convention. His talk was a powerful appeal to the delegates to put all sin out of their hearts that the highest purpose of the convention might not be defeated. Robert E. Speer was the next speaker and he held the close attention of every one in the hall as he made his call at the very outset of the convention for men and women to consecrate their lives to the work of God in the mission field. The meeting was a great inspiration and helped to bring everyone of us into closer relationship with Jesus Christ than we had ever been before, and so put us into the right spirit for the meetings to follow. Every meeting of the convention was an inspiration, and each one stronger and more inspiring than the last.

Among the most prominent of the speakers of the convention was Sir Henry M. Durand, British ambassador to the United States, and for twenty years minister to Persia. He spoke of the tremendous importance of missionary work, and of its effect upon the country. He said, "If I were ever again a minister or a diplomatist in a non-Christian country, I would far sooner have missionaries than not have them in that country, and the people would want them, too." Other speakers were the Hon. John W. Foster, formerly minister to Mexico, Spain and Russia, and Secretary of State under Harrison; Hon. H. F. B. McFarland of the District of Columbia; Dr. Karl Fries, president of the World's Student Federation; Dr. Herbert Lankester, president of the Church Missionary Society of England, and many others. These men-although by no means the most eloquent speakers of the convention-yet carried great weight with them because of their high position in public The very fact that such men as Sir Henry Durand, Hon. John W. Foster, and the like, take a decided stand in favor of missionary work, is enough to make those who ordinarily laugh at missionary work, stop and wonder if the laugh hasn't really been on them.

The key-note of the entire convention was "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." It sounded in almost the first speech of the convention and nearly every speaker touched on it. It was not an impersonal call, it was personal. "It comes to you. The final charge stands unfulfilled and unrepealed" Straight to the point, every word, every thought, pierced the hearts of the listeners. We saw a thousand million souls groping for light, and many a man, seeing the vision, resolved to do his part in drawing aside the curtains of ignorance from these darkened souls and let the light of Christ illumine their lives.

The most lasting impressions left on our minds as we went away from the convention were, this call, this need for volunteers for the foreign service, and the deep spirituality of the convention. "On the last day, that great day of the feast" we felt the spirit of God as we never had felt it before. We knew that we were face to face with Him and we heard His voice bidding us "go," and hundreds, hearing, answered, "I'll go, send me."

One very noticeable thing about the convention was the entire absence of religious excitement. Again and again during the meetings I commented to myself and others on the absence of this spirit. Surely no one can say that the days at Nashville were days of religious excitement; that men and women who there consecrated themselves to God's service were led away by religious excitement. They were rather days of clear spiritual vision; days when our hearts were open to the call of God, and our ears did not refuse to listen to the divine command. Could we think that Jesus Christ was taking advantage of a moment of weakness to bring us to do something which it was wrong for us to do? Could we be suspicious of our Lord and Master? No, the Son of God and of man does not draft men. He

calls for volunteers, men who love him enough to give their lives for him. Will all He needs be forthcoming?

> The Son of God goes forth to war, A kingly crown to gain. His blood-red banner streams afar, Who follows in his train? Who best can drink his cup of woe, Triumphant over pain, Who patient bears his cross below, He follows in his train.

#### NEW YORK ALUMNI BANQUET

HE annual dinner of the New York Alumni Association of Bates College was held in the St. Denis Hotel, Friday evening, March 30th. The gathering numbered fifty. Dr. Baldwin presided splendidly, combining dignity, humor and wit in his introduction. Dr. Woodrow made an excellent, entertaining speech and did honor to Bates. Dr. Summerbell spoke in his usual happy manner. W. T. Perkins made a witty speech, inviting all, especially the ladies, to go to Alaska. Mr. Boothby spoke entertainingly. A letter of regret at enforced absence was read from Mr. Carnegie, another from Mr. Stockbridge, Bates, '72, and one of greetings and regrets from Dr. Tarbox, Bates, '8o, also a telegram of regret from Dr. Rice that he was unable to be present.

The meeting was pronounced the largest and best held by Bates Alumni in New York. Dr. E. W. Given, '79, was elected President, M. E. Joiner, Esq., '93, was re-elected Secretary. A brief speech was made by Mr. Cook-suggesting to Bates graduates the blessedness of giving till they felt the gift. Both Dr. Baldwin and President Chase appealed to each one to give, and quickly, what he could. \$20,000 are now needed to bring to the College \$150,-000-but it was stated that the present time is opportune for raising at least \$200,000, and also the money for the

erection of a Science Building.

Among those present were Dr. E. W. Given, '79, Ezekiel Cook, Miss Eva Buker, W. T. Perkins, '81, recently from Alaska, Tarr and Blanchard, '82, Foss, '83, Tucker, '83, Emery, '84, Dr. Day, '90, Emrich, '91, Joiner and Sturges, '93, Pettigrew and Mrs. Pettigrew, '95, Boothby, Thomas, and Mrs. Thomas, '96, Bailey, '97, Goodspeed and Miss Goodspeed, '98, Mrs. Julia Leader Moore, '98, Miss Coan, '99, Stinchfield, 1900, Miss Laura Summerbell, 1902, Mrs. Tarr, Mr. Tallant, Mr. Frank Callahan.

#### BATES ALUMNI NOTES

1871—Honorable Jesse M. Libby is Town Agent of Mechanic Falls.

1872—Reverend Fritz W. Baldwin, D.D., is President of the New York Bates Alumni Association.

1881—Honorable H. E. Coolidge has been recently elected Superintendent of Schools of Lisbon Falls, Maine. The Bates teachers under his supervision are: Lisbon Falls High, Principal, L. E. Williams, '01, Florence Osborne, '01, Amy Staples, '03; Lisbon High School, Philip Everett, '03, Principal; Lisbon Falls Grammar School, W. S. Adams, '04, Principal.

Reverend R. E. Gilkey has resigned the pastorate of the

Court street Free Baptist Church, Auburn.

1886—I. H. Storer is Superintendent of Schools at Wells, Maine.

1887—John R. Dunton is elected mayor of Belfast by a Democratic majority of 162. The last Democratic mayor was elected in 1886.

The wife of Percy R. Howe, D.D.S., is taking a two

months' trip in Europe.

1893—M. E. Joiner, Esquire, is clerk of the Broadway Tabernacle, the edifice of the leading Congregational Church in New York City.

C. H. Swan, Esquire, has an article on "An International Gold Coinage" in the *Review Economique Internationale*. He has sent this magazine to the College Library for a year.

1894-Miss Kate E. Leslie has resigned her position as

first assistant in Pennell Institute.

1895—Mr. W. W. Bolster, Jr., was referee at the Bates Athletic Exhibition.

W. P. Hamilton has entered the Caribou High School in the League of the Maine Preparatory Schools formed under the auspices of the University of Maine Athletic Association and to be run by a set of rules formulated by this association.

B. L. Pettigrew, Esquire, won a suit against the Standard Oil Company. The Company has appealed to the United States Supreme Court and Mr. Pettigrew will have

his first case in the highest court in the country.

1896—Professor Fred A. Knapp attended the Classical Conference of the New England Colleges held in Springfield, Mass., April 6 and 7.

1897—A. W. Bailey and W. P. Vining, both of '97, are in the law office of Thomas W. Butts, 51 Chambers Street,

New York City.

E. S. Cunningham and Miss Mary Buzzell, both teachers in the Lewiston High School, were judges of the Bates Freshman Prize Declamations.

1898-Miss Gertrude Goodspeed is a teacher in a private

school in New York City.

Henry S. Goodspeed, Esquire, is a director of the Plymouth Debating Club of the Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, New York, and is awakening great interest. He is also the Republican captain of his election district. He is in a law office at 120 Broadway.

1899—Reverend E. B. Tetley of Meredith, New Hampshire, was nominated for governor at the State Convention of the Prohibition Party, held at Concord, March 21st.

1900—Dr. S. O. Clason has completed his work at the hospital in Portland. He has not yet decided where he will locate.

Royce D. Purinton has a sister in the Lewiston High

School.

1901—Annie E. Bailey is first assistant in Pennell Institute.

R. W. Channell is principal of the Northboro High School.

The Board of Health of Litchfield have posted notices offering free vaccination to the inhabitants to be performed by Doctor R. W. Goss, who will canvass the town for this purpose.

Mrs. Gertrude Libbey-Anthony recently took a three weeks' trip to Jamaica with her parents and her brother,

Harold Libbey, '05.

1902—Miss Angie L. Purinton has a sister in the Lewiston High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Childs, both of 1902, have a son, born March 18th.

Mr. L. Whitney Elkins is Principal of the Grammar School at Killingly, Connecticut.

1903—Miss Anna L. Clark is taking a six months' trip

in Europe.

Mr. Burton W. Sanderson, Principal of Limerick Academy, is to accompany the members of his graduating class on a vacation trip.

1904—George H. Harmon has resigned the principalship

of the Island Falls High School.

Miss Harriet T. Milliken expects to spend the summer

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Eva Phillips has aranged two trips to Washington, D. C. The first party left Boston on March 16th and the second on April 6th. A large number of Maine people availed themselves of this opportunity.

Miss Grace Skinner, formerly of 1904, is soon to be mar-

ried to Mr. Linwood Durgin, a Dartmouth graduate.

Reverend Shirley J. Case, a brother of Egbert A. Case, '04, will probably succeed Prof. Hayes in the Cobb Divinity School.

1905—Elijah D. Cole has been elected Principal of the High School at Woodstock, Maine.

Four Bates graduates are to complete their courses at the Boston University School of Law the coming June.

They are: Fremont L. Pugsley of Melrose Highlands, Mass., Bates, '91; Frank P. Ayer of Cornish, Me., Bates, '00; Guy E. Healey of Augusta, Me., Bates, '00; and Hulbert R. Jennings of Bowdoinham, Me., Bates, '03.

They are to receive the degree of Bachelor of Law. Jennings in addition to the degree of Bachelor of Law is also to receive the degree of Master of Law, for advanced work along legal lines. He has also been elected vice-president of the College division of the graduating class.

#### FROM OTHER COLLEGES

University of Maine will send a relay team to the University of Pennsylvania Relay Races to be held at the University of Pennsylvania, Saturday, April 28. This is an intercollegiate meet and is open to all colleges and universities of the United States and Canada. There will be three races to determine the championship of America. Such

colleges as Harvard, Yale and Princeton will be represented in these. In addition there will be a number of races between colleges arranged in classes according to their strength. Maine will contend with Dartmouth, Williams, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Wesleyan, and University of Vermont.

Nine ministers are registered for spring courses at the

University of Maine.

A peculiar gift has been made through the University of Maine to the farmers on the line of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad. A gentleman whose name is unknown will defray the expense of a special train to be run over this road during April and May. This train will be equipped with agricultural implements taken from Orono, and will be accompanied by several members of the University faculty who will give lectures, and illustrate the agricultural methods of the experiment station.

A number of Columbia students have formed the "Fonetic Speling Assosiashun of Kolumbia University." They bind themselves to advance the reformed method of orthography for which Andrew Carnegie has furnished a fund of \$15,000. Professor Brander Matthews, an officer of the "Simplified Spelling Board" is honorary vice-president.

The young women at Barnard College and the young men at Columbia have planned for an old-fashioned spelling bee. The young women propose to wear pinafores and old-fashioned gowns; the men, knee breeches and jackets of years ago. This unusual entertainment is attracting considerable attention among schools of the East.

Undergraduates at Wesleyan held a mass meeting at which they pledged \$5,500 to help in building a new dormitory in the place of the old North College recently destroyed by fire. The money is to be paid in annual installments

during the next five years.

The movement toward international college debates has begun. Students of Cambridge University will receive this month students from the Sorbonne in Paris. They will engage in public debate on the question whether a government has the right to declare war without the consent of

the people. Each side will use its own language.

A new German club has been formed at Harvard. Its name is "Der Harvard Verein Deutscher Studenten." This is its published aim: "to afford an opportunity to students to speak and hear German, and to study modern German literature, art and ideals." The society will engage in more active study than the regular Deutscher Verein of the college.

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