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YESTERDAY.

BY C. W. M., '77.

Bright shone the sun in the morning, Not a cloud was seen in the sky, Save, here and there, a tiny speck That floated lazily by.

In through the open window Came the faintly blowing breeze, Bringing delicious fragrance From the full-blown apple-trees.

Idly rocked the robin On the bough of the elm, near by; And over the distant meadow Came the plover's mournful cry.

Blue were the distant mountains, Seen through the hazy air. Throughout the realm of Nature, Peace reigned everywhere.

TO-DAY.

Bright shone the sun in the morning, But clouds came in the sky, And with ever swifter motion, They chase each other by.

Against the close-shut window Beats the wind, now loud, now low; And the petals of the apple-blooms, Fall on the ground, like snow.

Roughly the elm trees' branches Are tossed by the wind, to and fro; And the cry of the distant plover Sounds more like a cry of woe.

Hid are the distant mountains By the fast on-coming rain. The Storm-king in all his fury, Invades Nature's peaceful domain.

THE NATIONAL CONSCIENCE.

BY A. L. MOREY, '76.

POPE once insultingly asked a boy if he knew what an interrogation point was. Indignantly the boy answered, "Yes, sir; it's a little crooked thing like yourself, that asks questions." Wounded honor felt the insult and spoke its rebuke.

Man's perceptions of great moral principles may differ, but underneath there sweep elements of strength which, when united and brought to the surface, become as direct and expressive as the boy's answer to the great poet. So, when these same great principles, clearly perceived, are broken by the keel of private interests, tossed by the waves of ambition, dashed against great bowlders in the mighty deep of civic event or foreign entanglement, moral indignation, like the Gulf Stream, carries warmth in its waters and power in its presence. Conscience keeps green the garden of royal worth and ripens fruit amid the havoc of great revolutions.

Civil government leans upon ecclesiastical, and this again upon the bosom of conscience. Scylla and Charybdis lie on either hand; the one, conservatism, the other, progression. Between, the waters mingle, and beneath the cauldron are the fires of moral censure.

A true national conscience is not fettered by superstition, nor blindfolded by precedent. It is a distinctive trait of firmest and most enduring nations. The restlessness of France, the mutations of Spain, the overturnings in Italy are not the outgrowth of a deep, moral consciousness of wrong, but rather the outbursts of a petted child seeking changes. Priesthood rocks the cradle of its infancy and ministers its cordial to induce slumber. Germany follows that prophetic guide who led from Saarbrücken to Sedan. Ireland! emerald, generous, is as changeable as the green on her Shannon. England ! Anglo-Saxon as she is, walks slowly adown the shore of time and watches for the gray dawn of purity and equality to streak her hills. America! there were those, who through might and tears, through hardship and toil, coloring the waters with their blood and staining the sod with their gore, upheld by the great right arm of national conscience, fought the glorious battle of religious liberty and taught to all the world the rights of humanity. And there are those who will still struggle and suffer and die, and dying bequeath to their children the heritage of an untrammeled conscience. Aye, while

"Troops of beautiful, tall angels"

succor, God himself shall stand in the dim future and keep watch o'er his own.

But, through the chinks of our prison here on earth, the sunlight troops its shadows on the wall, and we already read the Tekel of Almighty God. National repentance alone can avert disaster.

The place we hold, our immense revenue and our enormous debt, corrupt parties, thirst for power, taxation to support the visionary schemes of politicians, government itself a great banker and merchant, all proclaim that to secure attention to public interests among our representatives the national conscience must be scoured, that the people must speak and the Sinai of their indignation quake with awful threatening, its summit flame with honest purpose, and its base be thronged with right endeavor. We may sing of the greatness of our country and land, the patriotism of its founders and defenders, but the true greatness of a nation is not in its wealth, its territory, its temporal advantages, its golden past or auspicious future, but in the conscience of its people, the character of its citizens.

Duty demands not only that the truth be made known but that it control. Conscience must not precipitate but ponder; not blaze but burn. It must weigh well its burden and count the years of its patience.

There was a city that banished Themistocles, starved Aristides, exiled Miltiades, threw out Anaxagoras, and poisoned Socrates; another that crucified a Christ! The national conscience of each was lost in the greed for party and partizan purposes.

With steep precipices and dark waters before, with clouded skies and deep thunders above, our national conscience stands in a dangerous position, and it totters unless the cry of the people, as of one man, comes up like the roar of a mighty water, to warn and to incite, to strengthen and enguide to personal integrity and public honor.

THE INDEPENDENT CATHOLICS.

BY C. A. B., '72.

THE Rev. H. W. Beecher has made it plain that he is not properly chargeable with a desire to do less than justice to the Roman Catholic Church. As to the boasted unity of that Church, he has recently said: "I always have regarded the 'unity' of the Roman Church as a pleasing fiction. There is no more unity there than there is among the Protestant Churches. When you become acquainted with the interior movements of the sects within the bosom of this great sect, you will find that there is as much discord, only kept comparatively quiet, as there is in the open overt discords of the Protestant Churches." There is certainly much in the manifest changes and developments that have been going on in the Roman Church during recent times, and in the organized defections, of various magnitudes, therefrom, to justify the holding and expression of such an opinion as the one just quoted. Such movements as that of the Old Catholics in Germany and Switzerland, that led by Charles Loyson Hyacinthe in France, and that of the Independent Catholics in the United States, are significant.

But what is this Independent Catholic movement? Three or four years ago, the Rev. J. V. McNamara, formerly a priest of the Roman Church, began an independent religious work among the Irish of Water Street, in New York City. Father McNamara was born in Ireland, and was destined by his parents for the Roman priesthood. The greater part of his early training was obtained in Italy. Before his education was completed, he came to Boston where he studied for a time. Later he entered a Roman Catholic Seminary in St. Louis. While there, an ardent student of the Bible, he first came to recognize the great defects of the Roman Church. Subsequent to his graduation, we understand, he traveled in Europe, and later, acted as a missionary priest in the Southern States of this country. Afterwards, he founded and built up a Roman Catholic organization in the city of Brooklyn. His independent thinking and liberal views, rather freely expressed, more than once, it seems, brought upon him the censure of his ecclesiastical superiors. He has said that it was through listening to the earnest utterances of the chaplain of the Sailors' Home in Cherry Street, that he was at length led to take the last decisive steps that severed his connection with the Church of Rome. He was excommunicated, and at once began work among his fellow-countrymen in Water Street.

At first, we are told, he aimed simply at opposing "Italianism" in the Church. In this effort he was not without associates and co-workers who, like himself, were ex-Roman priests; nor was he without a measure of success. In November, 1879, before a large assembly, where were present such Protestant clergymen as Dr. I. I. Prime, Dr. Philip Schaff, Dr. Saunderson, and some others, Father McNamara was formally installed as Bishop of the Independent Catholic Church-his associate, Father O'Connor, conducting the installation services. At this time, it is said, "over a hundred persons, heads of families, all of Irish birth or parentage, and all hitherto members of the Roman Church, had enrolled themselves as members of the new church." The Christian World for January, 1880, remarked: "The work inaugurated by Rev. J. V. McNamara is still prosecuted without interruption and with encouraging success. Large congregations assemble several times in the week to hear the Gospel preached, and these congregations are composed chiefly of those who, but a few months ago, were devoted followers of the Church of Rome." Under date of January 19, 1880, a New York Correspondent of the Boston Journal wrote : "The Independent Catholic Church movement in this city is a remarkable one, and is assuming proportions never anticipated by its most sanguine supporters. Bishop McNamara still claims to be a Catholic, but denounces in unmistakable language what he regards as the errors of his Church. His plan is to show the falsity of the dogmas and traditions of Rome, and that the Romish Church, as at present conducted, is an Italian organization which tends to enslave, body and soul, all connected with it. His object is to reform the Church and bring the people to the plain teachings of the Bible, properly understood. His devout spirit, apparent sincerity, and deep concern for the spiritual welfare of his hearers, give him a wonderful power, and multitudes flock to hear him. The movement is attracting the attention of the Catholics generally, and many of them are connecting themselves with it."

During 1880, the movement steadily progressed. Besides the numerous meetings, both regular and occasional, always largely attended, in New York and Brooklyn, many large assemblies have been addressed by McNamara and his co-laborers in Boston and in many other large cities throughout the United States and Canada. At large meetings held in New York, about a year ago, addressed by ex-Roman priests, letters were read from priests in various parts of the country declaring that their hearts were in the movement, and communications were presented from Methodist, Baptist, and Presbyterian conferences, expressive of hearty approval and kindly greetings. About the middle of the year, the Roman press was horrified by the marriage of Bishop McNamara; but these Independent Catholics, like the majority of the Old Catholics of Europe, do not believe in a celibate priesthood. Some time since an effort was begun for the erection, in New York, of a church edifice, which the public may expect to see built before long. Of late the Independent Catholics of that city have been worshiping in the house vacated last year by the Episcopal Church of the Atonement on Madison Avenue. Their congregations are large, the regular attendance Sunday evenings being not far from eight hundred or a thousand persons. We are told that "they have a class for young men, who are being educated and trained for evangelistic work in the large cities of the United States "; that " during the last year they have received three hundred persons into church membership, all of whom professed conversion"; that "the young of their church and congregation are being well cared for"; and that "they have branch stations at which they hold religious services." "According to their last annual report, eight priests and ten students have joined the new movement." "Although not Protestants in the strict sense of the term, they protest against the mass, confession, and some other things in the Church of Rome, and preach Christ as the true and only Saviour, Priest, and King of men." McNamara is at present using his powerful eloquence in the work of an evangelist in many of our larger cities.

The decrees of the Vatican, and the encyclical letters of the Pope, are bearing fruit that is precious to lovers of the truth and the friends of human freedom and progress. It will yet be plain enough that the Roman Church, no less than the Protestant, is, in many important respects, but an "amassment of separations." Protestants have reason to rejoice that the Catholic priesthood and laity are showing such fearless independence of Rome, and to hail and encourage such movements as that of the Independent Catholic Church. As the Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., has truly said, there is little reason to fear that the Pope will ever move to New York, or the Church of the Middle Ages dominate the nineteenth century.

HENRY D. THOREAU.

BY F. A. T., '81.

THIS poet-naturalist was a man of unique and wonderful organization. His eccentricities of character and peculiar genius make him a most novel and interesting object of study.

Our notion of this strange individual is best expressed by calling him a cultured and civilized savage. This expression may seem a little strong, and altogether inapplicable; yet his seclusion from society, his manner of living, his tastes and habits, seem to justify us in thus designating him.

He studiously avoided communication

with the larger part of his fellow-men, and devoted himself to his solitary pursuits in literature and science. He had a few acquaintances for whom he possessed an ardent friendship, yet it was for Nature alone that he cherished a deep devotion. Thus it was that in communion with her he experienced his highest happiness. He was also a most devoted lover of freedom, that is, freedom from the restraints, rules, and conventionalities of society; and when oppressed by these social fetters, he appeared to experience the discomfort and ennui of the red man. For the delineation of his character, no more fitting words than his own can be found :

> "Oh man of wild habits, Partridges and rabbits, Who hast no cares Only to set snares, Who liv'st all alone Close to the bone, And where life is sweetest Constantly eatest."

A writer has said: "His whole life was a search for the wild, not only in nature, but in literature, in life, in morals; and the shyest and most elusive thoughts and impressions were the ones that fascinated him most." Everywhere the wild pleased and attracted him, and the most desolate regions were his favorite haunts. He was as stoical as an Indian, and unsympathetic except in his feelings toward the savage.

Thoreau's literary works, like himself, are odd, interesting, and original. They are replete with choice thoughts, and beautiful and graphic descriptions. In his letters especially we find much of his private character revealed. He displays a quiet humor, and a high appreciation of truth and virtue. Attimes indeed he becomes a cynic and derides the pleasures and frivolities of life, or satirizes society. Again we find him lamenting the worthlessness and degeneracy of humanity, and seeming to say: "All is vanity and vexation of spirit."

He is said to have been a man entirely free from vice, honest, upright, and pure-

minded. Yet he possessed two qualities that greatly detracted from his excellence and greatness. He was thoroughly selfish and skeptical, and no man having either of these attributes can be truly great. His life was a strange contradiction. While he raised his voice against wrongs and evils, and championed right and justice, he aimed his deadliest blows at Christianity. Without doubt the world is better off for his having lived; yet he has not performed for humanity those services which his greatness demanded. Had he been less selfish, and more philanthropic, he might have possessed much greater happiness and distinction, and have done far more toward improving the condition of mankind.

Although he is said to have been a disbeliever in Christianity, and in one of his letters questions the existence of such a being as God; yet we find lines among his poetry that indicate a more correct view upon this subject. He says:

"Great God! I ask Thee for no meaner pelf, Than that I may not disappoint myself; That in my conduct I may soar as high As I can now discern with this clear eye."

There seems, however to be in his life a lack of worthy purpose. To secure personal pleasure and gratification was evidently his chief motive. He was unsocial and cynical, living within himself and for himself. He was a naturalist, only so far as the work afforded him pleasure, and he wrote only for amusement and a livelihood. To my mind such an existence is deplorable, notwithstanding the life be morally pure. In fact the life cannot be pure and virtuous to a high degree, since the very living in such a state is a sin. He who possesses genius is under obligations to use it for the benefit of the race.

Thus while we see much in Thoreau to respect and admire, we see that, too, which we cannot but condemn; while in his writings we find much that is pure and elevating, we find, too, that which were better unwritten.

IN MEMORIAM. BY C. E. S., '83.

We come, with our tribute of lilies and tears, To cast on the graves of the long-buried years; To call back the visions of dark, stormy hours, Mid the sweet inspiration of music and flowers, To rehearse the sad drama of sorrow and night, When tyrants hurled down the proud standard of right,

And the stormy war-god, with voice of command,

Unchained his red hounds o'er the sea and the land.

And over the heavens, from zenith to star,

Rolled crimson and bloody the hot battle car, And on the night's verge shown ghastly and fell

The specters of war from the red southern hell. When mountain and forest were vocal with knells

As we told the sad tales to the death-tolling bells

That mingled their pathos of sorrow and fear

With the wailings of anguish, that followed the bier.

Yet out of that darkness, deep anguish and fright.

Peace came, like then moring of sorrow's wild night,

When the wrath of the nation fulfilled the design

That God had marked out, in His wisdom Divine:

He hushed the red billows on battle's wild sea, Like the Christ-hushed waves on deep Galilee. As the cloud that hangs on the black brow of Night,

Blots out no star from its orbit of light,

So the dark cloud of war hanging low o'er its face.

Blots nothing of good from the world and the race.

Each red battle-field, with its thunder and din, Is but God's will done in the dark guise of sin, For proudly to-day o'er the martyr's white

bones Rest Virtue and Love on their radiant thrones, And Truth's lovely brow, ever beaded and wet, Is jeweled with drops of her own bloody sweat.

If the roses that deck the fair robes of the bride Are symbols of virtue, our holiest pride; If the ensign of freedom in triumph is flung,

They are boons from the bosom of agony wrung.

The Church can lay claim to no fair trophies won.

Not bought with deep anguish that darkened the sun.

If the rack and the stake, the fagot and fire No longer are engines of bigotry's ire;

If forth from the press the winged missiles of thought, Are hurled at the bulwarks that Falsehood hath

wrought;

'Tis because the brave martyrs, not selfish with

pride, Drank deep at the fountain of anguish and died.

And thus through the ages of blood and of tears Deep meanings we trace on the tablet of years; We read, as we gaze on that God-written scroll, How the fragments of discord unite in a whole;

How God lifts up from the dust and the mire The race and the world, ever higher and higher. As the seraph-white lily uprears its fair head

From the slime and the ooze of the river's dark bed.

Thus slowly yet surely the engines of God

Are lifting the race from the filth of the sod. And the Angel of Peace shall stretch her white

hand With a heavenly smile, over all the wide land.

When Science and Faith, their bright lenses shall

turn, And view, both together, the stars and the Throne;

When the finger of Prophecy, hoary and gray,

Points backward, not forth, to the glorious day, When the last cruel conflict of earth has been fought;

When the boundaries of nations shall melt into nought;

When men from the tumult of battle shall cease And beat their hot swords into plowshares of peace;

When the scream of the eagle and coo of the dove

Harmoniously blend in the music of love;

When sheathed is the saber and silent the drum And Earth, o'er her carnage, stands awe-struck and dumb;

Then deep at the fountain of truth man shall dip,

And the angel of Love kiss the cannon's cold lip.

And into its dark, carnal mouth sweetly place The standard of Christ and the symbol of peace.

Then cover the graves of our heroes with flowers

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Bring the tend'rest off'rings of spring's sunny hours;

et the column of marble and granite proclaim To the far-coming ages each humblest name,

And tell to the millions who gaze on its height, They were martyrs who died for mankind and the right.

Left homes and their loved ones, and fond hopes of youth

For the agonized burden of death for the truth.

EDITORS' PORTFOLIO.

T last the term has closed and we are A once more free from the care and anxiety attendant upon college life. It has been a term, which, by some of us at least, will not soon be forgotten. Although we have been startled by no new innovations, yet some of our experiences have been peculiar and we hope profitable in their results. Taken as a whole, there never was a better term for study than the one just finished. The exceptional cool weather of the past two months and the absence of any special events to divert the attention of the students from their books, have conspired to make our men more faithful than usual. We honestly believe that the percentage obtained by the students upon the final examinations will be higher than those of any term of the year. No doubt there are some men here, as in every other college, who have shirked their lessons whenever they could, but the majority will return to their homes well satisfied with their term's work.

The concert given by the Bates and Bowdoin Glee Clubs deserved all the praise which has been bestowed upon it by our citizens and public press. Although it did not receive as large a patronage as was expected, yet this fact in no way impaired the quality of the concert. The selections were made with a view to interest and please, and judging from the enthusiasm displayed by the audience, the programme was, from this point, at least, eminently successful. Both clubs have their excellencies and defects. Could they have a few months' drill under the leadership of a skillful musician, we are confident that they would be able to give a concert which would compare very favorably with any of those given by the Amherst or Yale Clubs. We hope that these clubs

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will become a permanent institution and favor us from time to time with feasts of song.

Our defeat at base-ball has been a matter of comment throughout the State. Holding, as we have for the last five years. the college championship of the State of Maine, it is no wonder that our sudden downfall should occasion remark. Beaten as we have been by every college nine in the State, it is well for us to inquire what has been the occasion of the change in our fortunes. There are several reasons why we have lost the championship. In the first place, too much reliance has been placed upon our past record. Some of the older members of the nine seemed to think that because we had beaten the Colby and Bowdoin Clubs every year, we were always going to beat them. Hence less work has been done in the gymnasium and on the Again, the idea that the field than usual. success of a game depends entirely upon our pitcher and catcher, seems to have gained considerable ground during the past two years and has, therefore, deluded some into the belief that there is less need of skillful men in the field. The games of the past month have proved the fallacy of this idea. Although Messrs. Parsons and Wilbur, in their respective positions, cannot be surpassed by any college men in the State, yet this fact does not warrant us in asserting that victory or defeat lies in the hands of these two men. We met with a great drawback when Mr. Wilbur was disabled, but it is extremely doubtful that he could have saved us from defeat. It is folly also to ascribe it to the new men who have been placed upon the nine this year. On the contrary, if the scores of the various games are examined it will be found that they made more runs and fewer errors

than the old members. Looking at the question in all its various phases, we cannot blind our eyes to the fact that the main reason why the Garnet has been defeated is the lack of sufficient preparation for the season's games. We have as good material to work with as can be found anywhere in the State. Our boys are strong, active fellows, and are not afraid of hard work. No club in our neighboring colleges has a better opportunity for development than our own. If the members will put themselves into careful training next fall and winter, it is our firm belief that when another base-ball season opens our nine will be able to regain the pennant, even though it loses several of its best men in the class of '81.

The examinations are finished, the orations have been delivered, the diplomas presented, and now the class of '81 has severed its active connection with Bates. It is not without some feelings of regret that we take leave of our departing Seniors. Their attitude toward the class of '82 has always, since the Freshman year, been courteous and gentlemanly. We have formed many lasting friendships with its members, and during the next year shall miss their faces from the college halls and campus.

The class of '81 is the largest ever grad-It has been distinuated from Bates. guished from the Freshman year as a The quartette has won musical class. laurels to itself both at home and abroad, and is, without doubt, unsurpassed by any similar organization in our sister colleges. It will be a long time before we shall cease to wish back the strong voices which have pleased so many of us. In the busy world these men, who have worked together for four years, will find fields of labor widely separated. It is the earnest desire of the STUDENT that the members of '81, although scattered widely apart,

may still feel a strong bond of sympathy uniting them to each other and to their *Alma Mater*. Business cares and responsibilities may burden the mind, but they should not dim the brightness of friendships formed amid college walls.

Another college year is closed and another vacation is at hand; and, as we lay aside the books which have proved of interest and benefit, together with those whose depths of knowledge were sometimes too profound for us, we cannot fail to look back upon the year just closed and ask, seriously, "has it been a success?"

We entered upon it with many good resolutions and lofty ambitions; full of determination to improve the many opportunities with which we are favored. Have we reached the heights to which we as-Have we improved the golden pired? opportunities which have been so bountifully spread before us as we have tread "the flowery fields of learning"? or have we been so blind to the nobler feelings and hopes within us that our studies have seemed but clouds in the sky above us, and their silver lining has escaped our notice? Our examination marks and class rank may speak well or ill for us, and yet they are not altogether trustworthy in determining the question of success or failure. It is for each one of us to look farther and see whether there have been left upon our minds such impressions as will have a noble and elevating influence upon the misty future before us.

If we have, by any one act, laid the foundation for a career that will be beneficial to mankind and an honor to our *Alma Mater*, then have our labors been a success in the highest sense. 1

As we separate now, some of us to go back to our happy country homes and others to toil in some honorable way to earn the money with which to obtain a higher education, we can all look back upon some mistakes which, in their way, may prove of great benefit to us if we but draw the proper lesson from them; and, in the fall, when we return again to the halls of learning, let us do so with renewed energy and higher ambition than ever before, determined to do the duty which lies nearest each of us, and by our earnest, conscientious efforts, render ourselves better fitted to meet the trials and joys of sober life and make of ourselves men whose influence as citizens, and in private life, will be powerful for the good and the advancement of our fellow-men.

An article appears in the June number of Harper's Monthly which is especially interesting to those students who have just finished, in the German Schiller's brilliant tragedy, "The Maid of Orleans." The article is from the pen of James Parton and is entitled "The Trial of Jeanne Darc." The author tells the story of the public life and trial of the maid in his usual easy style. There is nothing claimed for her beyond reason. It is simply the true history of her trial. The complete subjection of the church officers to the English regent is evident during the whole progress of the trial. No new theory is advanced as to the source of her influence, yet her calm fearlessness and evident sincerity, together with the direct, yet guarded and skillful answers to the bishops during the trial, make her appear almost inspired. Her lowly birth and consequent ignorance would make it seem impossible for her to sustain herself as she did during that long trial without divine inspiration. Mr. Parton does not attempt to make her life all a success, her errors are admitted and her final desertion by the French people attributed to mistakes of hers which had lost her their confidence. The article is worth the reading and careful study of all.

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Most of us leave college now but to

change our fields of labor; some to exercise upon the wheat fields and meadows of country farms, and others to serve, in various capacities, at the mountain and seaside hotels where the weary denizens of the crowded cities seek recreation and health. And a word of caution may not be out of place in relation to the preservation and care of our own health, which must be considered the first essential of reaping the proper and the greatest benefits of a college education.

The change of occupation, however laborious our duties, will be a rest for us, and will fill us with energy which must not be permitted, by its results, to work harm rather than good. Our muscles are now relaxed and we are not in condition to work with the zeal of those whose systems have been toughened by the strains and practice of continued manual labor; we must become accustomed to our new occupations before we can put into them all the strength of which we think ourselves possessed, and by the exercise of care and judgment we may gain such strength as will better fit us for the wearing mental strain of the rest of the year. By pursuing the other course we endanger our health and are too likely to break down our constitutions so seriously as to impair our usefulness for the future.

From nine New England colleges, this year, nine hundred and nine young men are sent forth to the active duties of life. Each man, doubtless, of all this number will leave his college halls with a determination to win in the struggle before him. Some will succeed. More will fail, and all will fall far short of the goal for which they will strive. A failure to-day would seem unnecessary, for certainly there never has been in the history of this nation a brighter prospect for educated men than the present presents. One needs not to enter a profession to succeed, for that time has gone by when it was thought necessary that every college-educated man should be a professional man. There is yet room for able and gifted men in the law and in medicine, it is true, but a man must be especially fitted for this work. Men, as a whole, have become educated and can recognize and appreciate a skilled intellect whether it be possessed by a farmer or a preacher. Let each man adopt that business in life to which he is adapted, and the people will not fail to discover and honor his abilities. If each of these many men, who leave college this year, would study himself carefully and follow that path in life for which he is best fitted, failures among them would be few indeed. There are always openings for the educated. The trades demand educated men and promise to them a competency and contentment. The farms are asking for skillful brains to develop their hidden resources. If the East is not congenial, the gateways of the great West lie wide open, inviting disciplined minds and ready hands to reap the rich profits which she promises in the near future. Let each man understand himself and follow faithfully that path which he has chosen after careful deliberation, and his success is assured.

STATISTICS OF '81.

Believing that brief sketches of the members of the graduating class will be interesting to our readers, we have collected the following facts:

Brown, W. J., was born in Minot, Jan. 29, 1856, and is now 25 years of age. His height is 5 feet 7 inches; weight, 135 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₈. Fitted for college at Edward Little High School, Auburn. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Congregationalist. Time absent from college, 30 weeks. Expenses, \$600;

earnings, exclusive of board, \$650. Is undecided as to his profession.

Clark, E. J., Miss, was born at Lewiston, Jan. 15, 1859. Age, 22. Height, 5 feet 7 inches; weight, 132 pounds. Fitted for college at Lewiston High School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 22. Profession, intend to loaf.

Cook, C. S., was born at Portland, Nov. 18, 1858. Age, 22. Height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 135 pounds; size of hat, 6[§]. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religion undecided. Weeks absent, 24. Expenses, \$1200; earnings, \$360. Intended profession, Law.

Coolidge, H. E., was born in Livermore, Dec. 23, 1860. Age, 20. His height is 5 feet 9[§] inches; weight, 135 pounds; size of hat, 7[§]. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Universalist. Expenses, \$860; earnings, \$390. Absent from college, 27 weeks. Intended profession, Law.

Curtis, W. P., was born in Auburn, Feb. 8, 1857. Age, 24. His height is 6 feet; weight, 132 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₈. Fitted for college at Edward Little High School. Politics, Republican. Religion, Free Baptist. Expenses, \$900; earnings, \$300. Intended profession, Ministry.

Davis, Oscar, was born in Palmyra, Aug. 9, 1854. Age, 27. His height is 5 feet 10½ inches; weight 190 pounds; size of hat, 7½. Fitted for college at Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield. Politics, Republican. Religion, Free Baptist. Engaged, no. Weeks absent, 63. Expenses, \$1200; earnings, \$1200. Intended profession, Law.

Drake, O. H., was born in New Hampton, N. H., Aug. 11, 1855. Age, 25. Height, 5 feet 10½ inches; weight, 160 pounds; size of hat, 7½. Fitted for college at New Hampton. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 35. Expenses, \$800; earnings, \$500. Intended profession, Teaching.

Emerson, F. C., was born in Swanville, Jan. 25, 1850. Age, 31. Height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 135 pounds; size of hat, 63. Fitted for college at the Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Congregationalist. Weeks absent, 20. Expenses, \$950; earnings, \$750. Intended profession, Ministry.

Folsom, H. P., was born in Augusta, May 12, 1859. Age, 22. His height is 5 feet 11 inches; weight, 138 pounds; size of hat, 74. Fitted for college at Lewiston High School. Politics, Republican; religion, Universalist. Weeks absent, 5. Engaged, no. Expenses, \$1325. Profession undecided.

Foss, H. E., was born in Wales, Dec. 25, 1857. Age, 23. His height is 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 135 pounds; size of hat, 67. Fitted for college at Lewiston High School. Politics, Republican. Religion, Methodist. Weeks absent, 6. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$400.

Foster, W. P., was born in Weld, Aug. 20, 1856. Age, 24. Height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 140 pounds; size of hat, 7[‡]. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Weeks absent, 70. Intended profession, Law.

Gilkey, R. E., was born in Sharon, Vt., March 21, 1857. Age, 24. His height is 5 feet 11½ inches; weight 185 pounds; size of hat, 7½. Fitted for college at Lyndon Centre, Vt. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 10. Expenses, \$800; earnings, \$400. Intended profession, Medicine.

Goding, J. H., was born in Monmouth, Nov. 1, 1858. Age, 22. His height is 5 feet 9 inches; weight, 150 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₄. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Universalist. Weeks absent, 25. Expenses, \$1500; earnings, \$300. Intended profession, Medicine.

Haskell, C. S., was born in Auburn, March 30, 1858. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 153 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at Edward Little High School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Congregationalist. Expenses, \$1500. Weeks absent, 60. Profession undecided.

Hayden, W. W., was born in Corinna, April 26, 1856. Age, 25. Height, 5 feet 11 inches; weight, 185 pounds; size of hat, 74. Fitted for college at Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 32. Expenses, \$955; earnings, \$385. Intended profession, Ministry.

Hobbs, W. C., was born in Wilton, July 11, 1859. Age, 21. Height, 5 feet 64 inches; weight, 150 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at Wilton Academy. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Congregationalist. Weeks absent, 29. Expenses, \$900; earnings, \$400. Intended profession, Medicine.

Holton, J. E., was born in North Boothbay, May 10, 1855. Age, 26. Height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 145 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at Boothbay. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Congregationalist. Weeks absent, 30. Expenses, \$800; earnings, \$400. Intended profession, Teaching.

Lowden, G. E., was born in Cornwallis, N. S., March 9, 1854. Age, 27. His height is 5 feet 10 inches; weight 150 pounds. Fitted for college by private tuition. Politics, "God Save the Queen." Religion, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 30. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$550. Intended profession, Ministry.

Maxfield, O. T., was born in Chichester, N. H., Aug. 27, 1853. Age, 27. Height, 5 feet 11 inches; weight, 160 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at New Hampton, N. H. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Unitarian. Weeks absent, 70. Expenses, \$1200; earnings, \$800. Intended profession, Teaching.

McCleery, C. L., was born in Farmington, July 23, 1854. Age, 26. Height, 5 feet 7 inches; weight, 125 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 72. Earnings, \$1000. Intended profession, Journalism.

Nevens, H. B., was born June 14, 1858. Age, 22. Height, 6 feet; weight, 160 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₈. Fitted for college at Edward Little High School. Politics, Republican. No religious preference. Weeks absent, 18. Expenses, \$675; earnings, \$475. Profession undecided.

Parsons, J. H., was born in Lexington, Oct. 27, 1857. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 11 inches; weight, 155 pounds; size of hat, 7[‡]. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 65. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$700. Intended profession, Law.

Perkins, W. B., was born in Auburn, June 15, 1859. Age, 22. Height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 140 pounds; size of hat, 71. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Expenses, \$1400; earnings, \$300. Intended profession, Mercantile.

Perkins, W. T., was born in Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 2, 1858. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 9 inches; weight, 140; size of hat, 74. Fitted for college at New Hampton, N. H. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 55. Expenses, \$1500; earnings, \$500. Intended profession, Law.

Pitts, E. T., was born in New Portland, Aug. 28, 1853. Age, 27. His height is 5 feet 10³ inches; weight, 175 pounds; size of hat, 7³. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 25. Earnings, \$526.50. Intended profession, Ministry.

Record, G. L., was born in Auburn, March 13, 1859. Age, 23. Height, 6 feet 1 inch; weight, 160 pounds; size of hat, 67. Fitted for college at Edward Little High School. Politics, Democrat. Religious preference, Baptist. Weeks absent, 70. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$1070. Intended profession, Law.

Rideout, B. S., was born in Garland, Sept. 19, 1853. Age, 27. Height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 150 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at Maine Central Institute. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 18. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$367. Intended profession, Ministry.

Roberts, H. S., was born in Farmington, N. H., June 15, 1858. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 150 pounds; size of hat, 7[‡]. Fitted for college at Farmington, N. H. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Universalist. Weeks absent, 79. Expenses, \$1400; earnings, \$1200. Intended profession, Law.

Robinson, Reuel, was born in Palmyra, Sept. 25, 1858. Age, 22. Height, 5 feet 11 inches; weight, 175 pounds; size of hat, 7‡. Fitted for college at Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield. Politics, Republican. No religious preference. Weeks absent, 68. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$750. Profession undecided.

Rowell, E. D., was born in Skowhegan, June 17, 1858. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 140 pounds; size of hat, 6§. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Independent Republican. Religious preference, Unitarian. Weeks absent, 64. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$700. Intended profession, Law. Sanborn, C. P., born in Weld, Nov. 15, 1858. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 8¼ inches; weight, 155 pounds; size of hat, 7¼. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. No religious preference. Weeks absent, 32. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$350. Intended profession, Business.

Shattuck, J. F., was born in Derby, Vt., May 23, 1852. Age, 29. Height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 140 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₈. Fitted for college at Lyndon, Vt. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 38. Expenses, \$800; earnings, \$320.

Strout, C. A., was born in Auburn, April 21, 1860. Age, 21. Height, 6 feet; weight, 145 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₄. Fitted for college at Edward Little High School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Congregationalist. Weeks absent, 72. Expenses, \$1000; earnings, \$900. Intended profession, Law.

Twitchell, F. A., was born in Plymouth, Nov. 7, 1858. Age, 22. Height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 140 pounds; size of hat, 7§. Fitted for college at Pittsfield. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Free Baptist. Weeks absent, 22. Expenses, \$1400. Intended profession, Law.

Wilbur, F. H., was born in Portland, April 10th, 1858. Age, 23. Height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 160 pounds; size of hat, 7¹/₈. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, "On the fence." Religious preference, Universalist. Weeks absent, 72. Expenses, \$900; earnings, \$500, Intended profession, Business.

Williams, C. W., was born in Georgetown, Aug. 28, 1850. Age, 30. Height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 145 pounds; size of hat, 7. Fitted for college at Nichols Latin School. Politics, Republican. Religious preference, Baptist. Weeks absent, 38. Expenses, \$800; earnings, \$350.

LOCALS.

'81 goes out.

"Who is at the head of this?"

Barnum's show called out a large delegation of collegians.

Several of the boys are away at the hotels for the summer.

Commencement exercises this year at the Free Baptist Church.

Twad. (in Botany recitation, holding up a cone)—"Prof., is this a corm or a bulb?",

A Junior remarked a few days ago, that the "Reversed Edition" of the Bible had just been issued.

On Tuesday of examination week the Juniors got a cut on Botany. This was the first since they entered college.

The prize of \$10 for the best written Junior part, not to be publicly delivered, was awarded to Miss Isa B. Foster.

The last chapel exercise of the year was conducted by the graduating class. Mr. Emerson, the class chaplain, officiated at the desk.

One Senior, on being asked by a STU-DENT reporter if he was engaged, replied, "I don't know certain. I'll let you know some time this week."

Rowell, on being told that Miss Blodgett had promised a new patchwork quilt to the first member of '81 who got married, exclaimed, "I'll have that quilt or bust."

The Eurosophian Society appointed C. E. Mason, '82, E. Remick, '83, and E. R. Chadwick, '84, to make arrangements for the next annual public meeting to be held the coming fall term.

A large proportion of the students have engagments for the season at the mountains and seashore. Quite a large number have positions as clerks and head waiters. This is a pleasant and profitable way of spending the time during the hot weather of the summer vacation. A certain college president once said to a graduating class: "Young men, my last words to you are, live the life that Paul lived and die the death that Paul died." (Paul was beheaded.)

At the annual meeting of the alumni of Maine Central Institute the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, B. W. Murch, Bates, '82; Chairman of Executive Committee, H. S. Bullen, Bates, '82; Secretary, A. B. Morrill.

In the lecture room, the other day, one of the Juniors inhaled laughing gas, and made himself rather frequent among the Prof.'s chemical apparatus. He appeared desirous of giving the Professor a lesson in the manly art. No particular damage was done.

The Seniors a short time since called on "Marm Blodgett" and made the old lady a present of a large family Bible. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Rowell. The old lady was highly elated, and made vigorous demonstrations of her gratitude.

Do not fail to read the advertisement of S. F. Hess & Co., Rochester, N. Y., in this number of the STUDENT. The gold clip tobacco and cigarettes offered to the market by this company, are worthy of a fair trial. We do not advise the use of tobacco in any form, but if students *will* use it, they are guilty of a grave offense if they do not use the best brands.

The Junior class has a member who can recall the events that transpired away back in the times of the flood. His descriptions of Noah and his three sons, and his glowing accounts of the conversations he had with them, are matters of great historical interest. He was present when the animals went into the ark "two by two," and said he really snickered when the pair of ants went in behind the elephants. On the evening of June 11th the Junior class was entertained by Prof. Angell and lady, at their residence on College Street. The evening passed most pleasantly, and will long be remembered by the boys as one of the bright places in Junior year. The Professor thoroughly understands the art of making visitors feel at home. Select readings by Miss Laughton and music by Miss Nash, added much to the entertainment. The boys unanimously pronounce the affair *immense*.

A "schneid" little game of ball took place on the college grounds Friday afternoon, June 24th, between two nines from the Junior class. The "Phenogams" and "Cryptogams," marshaled by Douglass and Pease, displayed a vast amount of heretofore latent base-ball talent. The marvellous head work, together with the circumventive curve of "Frye," bothered the Crypto's somewhat, at first, and consequently allowed them to take the lead of the Pheno's at the outset, and maintain it to the end. Many especially brilliant plays were made, while all covered themselves with glory. In the evening the boys assembled in Doug's room and celebrated their successful completion of Junior year. What with music, lemonade, apples, etc., a very enjoyable evening was passed.

IVY DAY.

Ivy Day was duly observed by the Junior class, Friday afternoon, June 10th, at 2.30 P.M. The exercises occurred at the College Chapel, as usual. A departure from the previous custom was made by doing away with the street parade. Promptly at the hour assigned the class entered the chapel, and carried out the following programme :

| A. C. C. C. | MUSIC. | |
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| Prayer, | OPENING ODE. | O. H. Tracy. |
| Dration, | OFENING ODE. | J. F. Merrill. |

| | CORNET | SOLOE. | PERKINS. |
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| Poem, | | | W. H. Cogswell. |
| Presenta | ations. | MUSIC. | B. W. Murch. |
| | | CLASS OD | Е. |

PLANTING THE IVY. IVY ODE.

The opening ode, written by F. L. Blanchard, class ode, written by J. W. Douglass, and ivy ode, written by D. E. Pease, were sung by the class.

The oration by J. F. Merrill was of more than ordinary merit. Its subject was "Union." Mr. Merrill presented the advantages of union and harmony, in a clear and interesting manner, making a gentlemanly and powerful argument for the establishment of all college exercises (such as Ivy Day, Field Day, etc.), which tended to bring classes together in social pleasure or friendly rivalry. The oration was highly commended by all who heard it.

The poem, subject, "Music," by Mr. Cogswell, reflected much credit upon its author. It described the allurements and pleasures which music has always possessed, and contained the interesting legends of the Sirens and Orpheus. It showed that Mr. Cogswell possessed considerable poetic ability.

The presentation speeches by Mr. Murch called forth hearty responses, and both were received by the audience with rounds of applause. Following is the list of presentations:

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| Popular Man-Hat. | S. A. Lowell. |
| Flirt-Handkerchief. | Miss I. B. Foster. |
| Story Teller-Mother Goose. | W. S. Hoyt. |
| Wit-Razor. | W. V. Twaddle. |
| Lazy Man-Chair. | L. T. McKenney. |
| Ambitious Man-Ladder. | C. E. Mason. |
| Awkward Man-Book of Etiq | uette. H. S. Bullen. |
| Bashful Man-Veil. | F. L. Blanchard. |
| Lucky Man-Horseshoe. | C. H. Libby. |
| Fast Man-Bit. | B. G. Eaton. |
| Cynic-Tub. | J. W. Douglass. |
| Innocence Abroad-Dark Lan | |
| | R. H. Douglass. |
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After the presentations the members of the class passed out of the chapel, planted the Ivy, unveiled the tablet, and sung the Ivy Ode.

The decoration, which was the work of Miss L. W. Harris, '80, was very tasty. It consisted of a ground-work of garnet drapery, which covered the front of the pulpit. In the center of this was a large wreath having within it the figures "'82," made of old gold, the class color. Upon either end of the desk stood a large bouquet of flowers. The class extended a vote of thanks to Miss Harris for her kindness, and presented her, after the exercises, with the wreath.

The tablet, which is fastened to the west corner of the south wing of Hathorn Hall, consists of a ground-work of white marble 8x9 inches, with the figures "82" cut upon the two pages of an open book, which has a twig of ivy for a book-mark.

The instrumental music by Perkins' Orchestra was first-class The following were the officers of the day : President, E. Richards; Chaplain, O. H. Tracy; Marshal, W. S. Hoyt; Curator, W. T. Skelton.

FIELD DAY.

The second annual meeting of the Bates Athletic Association was held on the Trotting Park, Saturday, June 11th. The following were the officers of the day: Field marshal, H. B. Nevens, '81; judges, S. C. Moseley, A.B., C. V. Emerson, A.B., referee, E. M. Briggs, A.B.; timers, J. F. Merrill, '82, E. Remick, '83; directors, H. E. Foss, '81, W. S. Hoyt, '82, L. B. Hunt, '83, S. Hackett, '84. Although our boys have had but little practice in such contests some very good records were made. The following was the order of exercises, with the names of the winners. Nos. 16, 18, and 20 were omitted.

1.

- Five-Mile Go-as-you-Please, McKenney, '82, 34 min. 24 sec. Five-Mile Walk, Twaddle, '82, 52 min. 35 sec. 2.
- Hop, Skip, and Jump, Bartlett, '83, 37 ft. 9 1-2 in. 3.
- Three Standing Broad Jumps, Pease, '82, 28 ft. 7 3-4 in. 4.

5.

Standing High Jump, Parsons, '81, 4 ft. 1-2 in. Putting Shot-25 Lbs. 6.

Hayden, '81, 23 ft. 11 3-4 in. Running Broad Jump, 7.

Bartlett, '83, 17 ft. 8. Hundred-Yards Dash-3 Heats,

Foss, '81, 11 1-4 sec. 9. Running High Jump. Perkins, '82, 4 ft. 8 1-2 in.

Standing Broad Jump, 10.

Pease, '82, 8 ft. 6 3-4 in. Throwing Hammer-20 Lbs., 11.

Wilson, '84, 56 ft. 8 1-2 in. Half-Mile Run, 12.

Parsons, '81, 2 min. 34 1-4 sec. 13. One-Mile Run,

Bartlett, '83, 5 min. 48 3-4 sec. One-Mile Walk, 14.

Barber, '83, 10 min. Three-Legged Race-100 Yds., 15.

Douglass, '82, { 16 1-2 sec. Emmons, '82, } 16 1-2 sec. 17. Throwing Base-Ball,

Hatch, '83, 320 ft.

19. Collar-and-Elbow Wrestle, Twaddle, '82. 21. Tug-of-War, '82.

As the Sophomores withdrew from the Tug-of-War the order in which the three remaining classes should pull was decided by lot. The Seniors and Freshmen went to the rope first. After quite a hard struggle the Freshmen drew the Seniors over the line. Then came a short but severe tug between the Juniors and Freshmen, resulting in a victory for the former. In spite of the heat of the day and the distance to the park the sports were witnessed by quite a goodly number of people, nearly all of whom remained until the close of the exercises. Everything passed off to the satisfaction of all concerned. There were no accidents, and although it was one of the hottest days of the season none of the contestants suffered any particular inconvenience from the heat. The association took \$25 at the gates. Taken as a whole Field Day was a success.

ANALYTICS.

The burial of Analytics was observed by the class of '83, Friday evening, June 17. The exercises began by the singing of a

dirge in front of Hathorn Hall, followed by an eulogy pronounced by D. N. Grice. After another song a poem was read by Everett Remick. The coffin containing the remains of the dear departed was then opened, and all were invited to take one last, long look. This ceremony was conducted amid the groaning and sobbing of the nearer relatives, who were dressed in painful-looking black "cerements of the grave," and who were disguised by black masks and antiquated caps and slouched hats.

The procession formed in front of Parker Hall (headed by Glover's Band of Auburn) in the following order:

> Imperator. Caterva Musicorum. Lictor. Fossores Nepulchri.



Pontifex Maximus. Daemones Ignis. Princeps Lugens. Feror Fakiris. Ceteri Ploratores. Yaggeres.

The line of march was down College to Sabattus, Sabattus to Main, Main to Frye, Frye to College again, College to Mountain Avenue, Mountain Avenue to Mt. David.

The exercises on the mountain were rather more in accordance with the custom of cremation than of burial. A funeral

pile was hastily erected by heaping together fagots of pine wood saturated with kerosene oil; the casket was placed upon the summit of this; the torch was applied, and the whole was soon a flaming mass, around which the Sophs gathered and united in singing a dirge. A panegyric was then delivered by F. B. Lothrop, followed by another song. By this time the flames had nearly consumed casket and remains, and served to dimly light the way down the mountain.

The exercises concluded to the satisfaction of all concerned.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

The Baccalaureate Exercises were held in Main Street F. B. Church, Sunday P.M., June 26th. They consisted of singing by the church and class choirs, Scripture reading by Prof. Howe, prayer by Prof. Chase, a sermon by the President, and the Baccalaureate Ode sung by the class. President Cheney's sermon, from Acts xvii. 32, was listened to with great attention and interest by the audience.

The Champion Debate, by the Sophomore Class, occurred at three o'clock, Monday afternoon, June 27th. The following is the programme :

PRAYER.

DEBATE.

Question.—Ought the United States to adopt the policy of Free Trade?

| H. H. Tucker, O. L. Gile, C. J. Atwater, Neg. |
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The debate was exceedingly creditable to the participants. All the arguments were good. Those of Gile and Sargent were especially fine. Gile had a chain of argument in which it was difficult to find a weak link. He was the orator of the occasion, speaking with ease and effective earnestness. Sargent's argument abounded in sharp hits and telling ridicule. He is more than an ordinarily pleasing speaker. He has an original way of putting things which holds the attention of his audience.

The Committee of Award was T. E. Calvert, Esq., A.M. Spear, Esq., and J. H. Baker, A.M.

The Original Declamations, by members of the Junior class, occurred on Monday evening, June 27th, at Main Street F. B. church. The programme was as follows:

MUSIC. PRAYER.

MUSIC. Government and Popular Education. W. H. Cogswell. Intellectual Influence of Catholicism. E. R. Richards. Culture and Happiness. Miss E. B. Forbes. Christianity the Basis of Modern Civilization. B. W. Murch. MUSIC. Battle of Life. W. T. Skelton. Protestantism and Civil Liberty. C. E. Mason. Compromises. J. W. Douglass. Triumph of Republican Ideas. O. H. Tracy. CORNET SOLO .- MR. E. PERKINS. Statesmanship in America. J. F. Merrill. Justice. S. A. Lowell. Chivalry. W. V. Twaddle.

The Future of Africa.

MUSIC.

J. C. Perkins.

Although the weather was quite unfavorable the church was crowded. The declamations were all of a high order, and it was difficult to decide which was the best. The music, by Perkins' Orchestra, was excellent, as it always is. The cornet solo by Mr. Perkins himself, was especially fine. The exercises throughout were of such a character as to reflect much honor upon our *Alma Mater*.

The Committee of Award was as follows: Rev. G. S. Dickerman, Hon. M. T. Ludden, and G. W. Wood, Ph.D. The Class Day exercises of '81 occurred Tuesday afternoon, June 28, at Music Hall. The crowd began to assemble at an early hour, and at the time for the commencement of the exercises the hall was well filled with an intelligent and appreciative audience. The following was the programme:

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| Oration. | PRAYER. Reuel Robinson. MUSIC. |
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| History. Poem. | Frank Arthur Twitchell. Emma Jane Clark. |
| CORNET | SOLO MR. E. PERKINS. |
| Prophecy. | Charles Albion Strout. |

Parting Address. George Edgar Lowden. . MUSIC. SINGING CLASS ODE. SMOKING PIPE OF PEACE.

The prayer was offered by Mr. Emerson, the class chaplain.

The subject of Mr. Robinson's oration was "The Scholar and the World." He spoke of the achievements of the scholar, and attributed to his efforts all advancement in civilization from the age of the monks, the first scholars. He claims that the scholar is looked up to by the world as a leader among men. Many of those students who distinguish themselves while in college are never heard from after graduating, and the cause for it is, the desire for fame and wealth without the energy to continue in persistent toil, which will alone insure success. Unceasing labor is what the world demands, and he who shrinks from toil the world will not reward.

The History was, as Mr. Twitchell said, "the living over again, the last four years, in a few moments." It is the largest class that ever graduated. At the beginning of the course it catalogued 55, but the largest actual attendance was 45. During the course 11 have left, and 1 has joined the class. '81 has always taken a deep interest in base-ball, and has furnished from four to six men on the college nine. There is an unusual amount of musical talent in

the class, and it furnished both a single and a double quartette. The tallest man in the class is Record, height 6 feet 11 inches, and the shortest is Emerson, height 5 feet 4 inches. Average height of class, 5 feet 91 inches. The oldest man is Emerson, age 31 years 6 months, and the youngest is Coolidge, age 20 years 6 months. Average age of class, 24 years 3 months. The heaviest man is Davis, weight 190 pounds, and the lightest man is McCleery, weight 125 pounds. Average weight of class, 149 pounds. Thirteen will study Law, 8 Theology, 6 Medicine, 4 will go into Business, 2 will engage in Journalism, 3 will Teach, and 1 is undecided. One is married, 13 are engaged, and 1 is uncertain. Twenty-one are church members, 13 are Free Baptists, 5 are Universalists, 5 are Congregationalists, 2 are Baptists, 2 are Unitarians, and 1 is on the fence. In politics 34 are Republicans and 2 are Democrats. Sixteen use tobacco, and 11 dance. The largest amount spent by any one member of the class is \$1700, the lowest \$800. The average expense has been \$1150.

The Poem by Miss Clark was very good indeed, and was listened to with deep interest.

The Prophecy by Mr. Strout was—well words fail, but we feel confident in saying that it was the best prophecy we ever listened to, and we want to congratulate Mr. Strout upon his success as a prophet.

The Parting Address by Mr. Lowden was an able production, and we could but sympathize with the speaker as he bade his classmates farewell.

After the singing of the Class Ode the Pipe of Peace was passed around the class. It was amusing to watch the expression on the different faces of the class; some seemed to have a desire to smoke for all the rest, and others appeared as if they were perfectly willing that they should.

The music was furnished by Perkins' Orchestra, and was very nice indeed. The Alumni Meeting at Hathorn Hall, June 28, was called to order at 4 P.M., by the President, W. E. C. Rich, '70.

Prayer was offered by Rev. G. S. Ricker, '67.

Records of previous meeting read and accepted.

On motion of G. E. Smith, '73, voted that the public exercises of the year be dispensed with, owing to the illness of the orator, L. H. Hutchinson, '71.

On motion of I. C. Dennett, '73, voted a committee of three be appointed to offer resolutions on the death of Frank W. Cobb, '73. Isaac C. Dennett, James H. Baker, and Nathan W. Harris, '73, were appointed that committee.

On motion of G. S. Ricker, '67, voted that a committee of three be appointed to offer resolutions on the death of John A. Plummer, '80. O. B. Clason, '77, F. L. Hayes, and I. F. Frisbee, '80, were appointed that committee.

On motion of Prof. G .C. Chase, '68, voted to adopt the amendment to Article 9 of the Constitution as amended, so that it shall read as follows:

This association shall at each annual meeting select five of its members by ballot, and at the next succeeding annual meeting two persons shall be nominated by ballot from the five selected the previous year, who shall be presented to the Board of Overseers of the college for their confirmation or rejection as members of said Board of Overseers.

On motion of G. S. Ricker, '67, voted to proceed to the election of two members to the Board of Overseers from those nominated last year, and that each be elected on a separate ballot. Josiah Chase, '70, was elected on the first ballot, and G. C. Emery, '68, was elected on the second.

On motion of J. S. Brown, '72, voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to nominate officers for the ensuing year. Prof. G. C. Chase, '68, J. S. Brown, '72, and I. C. Dennett, '73, were appointed on that committee.

On motion of L. G. Jordan, '70, voted that a committee of five be raised to nominate five members from whom two shall be elected to the Board of Overseers next year. J. Chase, '70, F. E. Sleeper, '67, H. W. Oakes, '77, G. E. Smith, '73, and F. L. Hayes, '80, were appointed on that committee, and reported the following names, which were accepted: G. B. Files, '69, J. S. Brown, '72, A. M. Spear, '75, Rev. W. H. Bolster, '69, and Hon. L. H. Hutchinson, '71.

On motion of L. G. Jordan, '70, it was voted that the Secretary cast the vote of the association, which resulted in the election of those nominated.

The committee on nomination of officers for the ensuing year reported as follows: President, L. M. Webb, '70; vice-president, Thos. Spooner, Jr., '74; secretary and treasurer, N. W. Harris, '73; orator, J. H. Baker, '73; substitute, A. T. Salley, '75; poet, A. L. Morey, '76; substitute, E. W. Given, '79; executive committee, Prof. G. C. Chase, '68, H. W. Oakes, '77, and S. C. Moseley, '79.

The report of the committee was accepted, and on motion of L. G. Jordan, '70, voted that the secretary cast the vote of the association for the officers nominated, which resulted in their election.

On motion of A. M. Spear, '75, voted to adjourn to meet at Free Baptist Church, Wednesday, June 29, immediately after the close of the theological exercises.

The adjourned meeting at the Free Baptist Church was called to order by the President.

The report of the treasurer was read and accepted.

There is now on hand in the treasury a balance of \$91.32.

The following resolutions on the death of Frank W. Cobb, '73, were read, and the report of the committee was accepted :

1.

Whereas, Death has removed from our num-ber Frank Woodbury Cobb, one of our ripest scholars and most Christian gentleman, a man of no vices and but few faults, one whose name is a symbol of purity and truth, whose life was, in all respects, exemplary, *Resolved*, That in his death we have sustained a loss which we greatly deplore, and that we deeply sympathize with his relatives and friends in their affliction

affliction.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his parents and also be printed in the Lewiston Journal.

ISAAC C. DENNETT, JAMES H. BAKER, NATHAN W. HARRIS, Resolutions.

The following resolutions on the death of John A. Plummer, '80, were read, and the report of the committee was accepted :

In view of our bereavement in the death of John

In view of our bereavement in the death of John A. Plummer, of the class of '80, be it *Resolved*, That while we sincerely sympathize with the family of the deceased, we also deeply lament our own loss in being by Divine Providence deprived of a brother whose personal qualities en-deared him to all his acquaintances, and whose high scholarship and talents promised to make him an honor to his *Alma Mater*. *Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his parents and also be printed in the Lew-liston Journal.

iston Journal.

O. B. CLASON, Committee F. L. HAYES, on I. F. FRISBEE, Resolutions.

On motion of L. M. Webb, '70, voted to appoint a committee of three to select speakers to represent the alumni at Commencement Dinner.

L. M. Webb, '70, G. C. Emery, '69, and F. E. Sleeper, '67, were appointed on that committee, and reported the following names: J. Chase, '70, G. B. Files, '69, and I. C. Dennett, '73. The report was accepted.

The report of the committee on by-laws was read and accepted.

On motion of J. S. Brown, '72, voted to adopt the by-laws, and rules and orders, as reported by the committee.

Adjourned.

The Commencement Concert was given Tuesday evening, June 28, at Music Hall, by the College Glee Club and the Mendelssohn Club of Lewiston. It is said to have been one of the most successful musical entertainments, both musically and financially, ever given in this city. The following is the programme:

PART I.

- Mother Hubbard. College Glee Club.
- Part Song-How Sweet the Moonlight 2. (Leslie). { a. Roving. { b. Nut-Brown Maiden. Mendelssohn Club.
- 3.
- Glee Club. Trio-The Corall'd Caves of Ocean 4. (Smart).
- Mendelssohn Club-Female Voices. Frog Chorus (Froggerdebungtechug). 5.
- '81 Quartette. Ave Maria (Abt). Mendelssohn Club-Male Voices. 6.
 - With Obligato Solo by Miss Josie Thorne. a. Lauriger Horatius.
- 7. { b. Meerschaum Pipe.

Glee Club.

PART II.

- Miserere and Tower Scene from "Il 1. Trovatore" (Verdi). Mrs. A. B. Edwards, Mr. W. L. Lothrop. and Male Chorus.
 - Duet-The Sailor Sighs (Balfe)
- 2. Messrs. W. H. Jones and T. J. Adams. 3. Michael Roy.
- Glee Club. 4. Sextette from "Lucia di Lammermoor (Donizetti).
- Mrs. A. B. Edwards, Miss L. P. Sumner, Messrs. W. H. Jones, W. L. Lothrop, T. J. Adams, C. B. Reade, with Chorus. Cheer, Boys, Cheer. 5.
- Glee Club. 6. Alto Solo and Chorus from Hymn-

op. 96 (Mendelssohn) Mrs. S. P. Robie and Mendelssohn Club.

The Mendelssohn Club furnished excellent music and was loudly applauded. The Glee Club-well, to use a college phrase, "did themselves ashes." We never heard them sing better, and we never expect to. Their selections were good and well appreciated, as was seen by the applause which followed upon the close of each song. They were recalled several times. The effect produced by "Michael Roy" was specially noticeable. On the whole we congratulate the class upon their success.

On Thursday the Main Street Free Baptist Church was crowded with the friends of the graduating class. The exercises were of an interesting character, and exhibited an excellent choice of subjects. The programme was as follows :

MUSIC. PRAYER. MUSIC.

Salutatory.

O. H. Drake, New Hampton, N. H. True and False Success. W. P. Curtis, Auburn.

(Natural Sciences-Second Honor.) J. E. Holton, Boothbay. Schiller.

(Natural Sciences-First Honor.) The Eternity of the Past.

H. B. Nevens, Auburn. (Modern Languages-First Honor.) MUSIC.

The Ethics of Evolution.

* E. D. Rowell, Fairfield. (Modern Languages-Second Honor.)

(Modern Languages) Our National University. C. S. Haskell, Auburn. (Rhetoric and Eng. Literature—Second Honor.) Vantage Ground. W. B. Perkins, Lewiston.

(Ancient Languages—Second Honor.) True End of Life. H. E. Foss, Lewiston. The True End of Life. H. E. (Class Honor.)

The Development of the Sense of Beauty. J. H. Parsons, Eustis. (Ancient Languages—First Honor.)

MUSIC.

The Strength of the Union.

G. L. Record, Auburn. (General Scholarship.) Robert Ingersoll as a Reformer. E. T. Pitts, Lewiston.

(Rhetoric and Eng. Literature-First Honor.) l Reason. C. A. Strout, Minot. (Psychology—Second Honor.) Faith and Reason.

Absence of Reverence in American Character. C. S. Cook, Harrison.

(Mathematics-First Honor.)

MUSIC.

The Critic. Miss E. J. Clark, Lewiston.

(Psychology The Future of our Country. W. J. Brown, Auburn. (Mathematics-Second Honor.)

(Mathematics Office). The Secret of Prometheus. W. P. Foster, Weld.

(Class Honor.) Valedictory-The Method of Progress. H. E. Coolidge, Canton. MUSIC.

* Excused.

The most finished part was Mr. Foster's, but the parts of Messrs. Perkins and Haskell also exhibited careful preparation, and all were very praiseworthy. At the close, the degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred by President Cheney upon the members of the graduating class.

The class was divided into three divisions, according to rank, as follows:

Orations .- Winthrop Jumper Brown, Emma Jane Clark, Charles Sumner Cook, Henry Eph-raim Coolidge, Orville Henry Drake, John Ed-gar Holton, Henry Beecher Nevens, John Henry Parsons, George Lawrence Record, Eugene

Py Parsons, George Lawrence Record, Eugene Dunbar Rowell, Charles Albion Strout. Disquisitions.—Walter Paul Curtis, Herbert Everett Foss, William Prescott Foster, Ransom Eugene Gilkey, John Henry Goding, Charles Summer Haskell, William Crosby Hobbs, George Edgar Lowden, Otis Theodore Maxfield, Charles Latorest McCleery, William Blair Perkins, Eddy Thomas Pitts, Bates Sewall Rideout, Frank Arthur Twitchell, Charles Walter Williams

Theses.-Oscar Davis, Fred Clarendon Em-erson, Harry Peter Folsom, Wilson Warren Hayden, William Thomas Perkins, Henry Sands Roberts, Reuel Robinson, Clifton Packard Sanborn, John Franklin Shattuck, Frank Henry Wilbur.

At the close of the exercises, the class and many of their friends repaired to the college to partake of the Commencement Dinner. Remarks were made by Governor Plaisted, ex-Governors Garcelon and Dingley, Prof. Dennett of the University of Colorado, Revs. Haskell of Lewiston, Lowden of Portland, Randall (grandson of Benjamin Randall, the founder of the Free Baptist denomination,) of New Durham, N. H., and a gentleman from Boston, whose name we forget, but "who is always with us."

EXCHANGES.

Since our last issue, Williams College has given birth to a paper which bids fair to rival many of our well established periodicals. The Argo comes to us as an eighteen paged quarto, printed upon heavy paper in clear, well-cut type. The editors are men of experience in their several departments and will no doubt succeed in making their paper a permanent institution.

The Yale Lit. is just what it pretends to be, a literary magazine. It is the oldest college periodical published in America, and has had as editors, during its fortyfive years of existence, many of the ablest men Yale has produced. Although a literary magazine, its editors strive to make the table of contents as varied as is consistent with its character.

The Hamilton Literary Magazine has been ably conducted during the past six months. The editorials are always interesting and pertinent to the times.

The Cornell Review for May contains a thoughtful article on Longfellow's poetry. The writer is no doubt a careful student, but he should remember that there are many beautiful productions in literature and art which will not bear examination under the microscope of the critic.

The last number of the Acta Victoriana contains but one literary article, "The German Student." The Acta endeavors to be up with the times, and is one of the best exchanges which we receive from across the line.

The new board of editors of the *College Courier* have succeeded in giving that paper a new and vigorous push in the right direction. The departments are well balanced and give good promise of future success.

The Cap and Gown, published at the University of the South, and the Excelsior Monthly, published at Farmington, Me., are two new exchanges. The former would do credit to a high school or academy, but is unworthy of a more advanced institution. Perhaps the southern idea of a college is widely different from the northern, if so this fact may explain why the majority of our exchanges from that section seem puerile and inefficient. The Excelsior Monthly is a paper devoted especially to teachers and school work. It endeavors to aid instructors by making seasonable suggestions on important topics, and in discussing the leading questions connected with education.

The New York World says there is a total of 873 Seniors catalogued at the New England colleges, with only two or three of the minor colleges unrepresented. The bachelor's degrees conferred in New England this year will probably number 850.

CLIPPINGS.

Psychology Class—" By acquired perception a man can tell by knocking on a barrel head whether it is full or empty." First Junior (aside)—" You can't tell whether the cider is hard or not by knocking on the barrel." Second Junor (aside) —" No, but you can tell by knocking at the bung."—Oberlin Review.

A devout Methodist asked Wesley what he thought as to his marrying a certain woman well known to both. Wesley advised him not to think of it "Why," said the other, "she is a member of your church, isn't she?" "Yes," was the reply. "And you think she is truly a Christian woman?" "Yes," said Wesley, "I believe sheis." "Well, then, why not marry her?" "Because, my friend, the Lord can live with a great many people that you and I can't."

Prof.—" If Julius Cæsar had had three daughters, what would have been their names?" Brilliant Fresh.—"Julia." Prof. —"But how would he have distinguished one from another?" Fresh.—" He would have called them major and minor." Prof. —"But what would he have called the third?" Fresh. (desperately)—" Circumflex."

Said a female teacher to the class in composition: "Make a rhyming couplet including the words, nose, toes, corn, kettle, ear, two, and boil." There was silence for a while, and then a boy held up his hand in token of success. "Read the couplet," said the teacher; and the boy read: "A boil in the kettle's worth two on your nose, and a corn on the ear is worth two on your toes."—Ex.

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"With one hand he held her beautiful golden head above the chilling wave, and with the other he called loudly for assistance."—Extract from Popular Romance.— Record.

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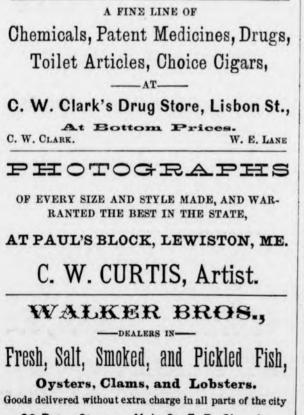


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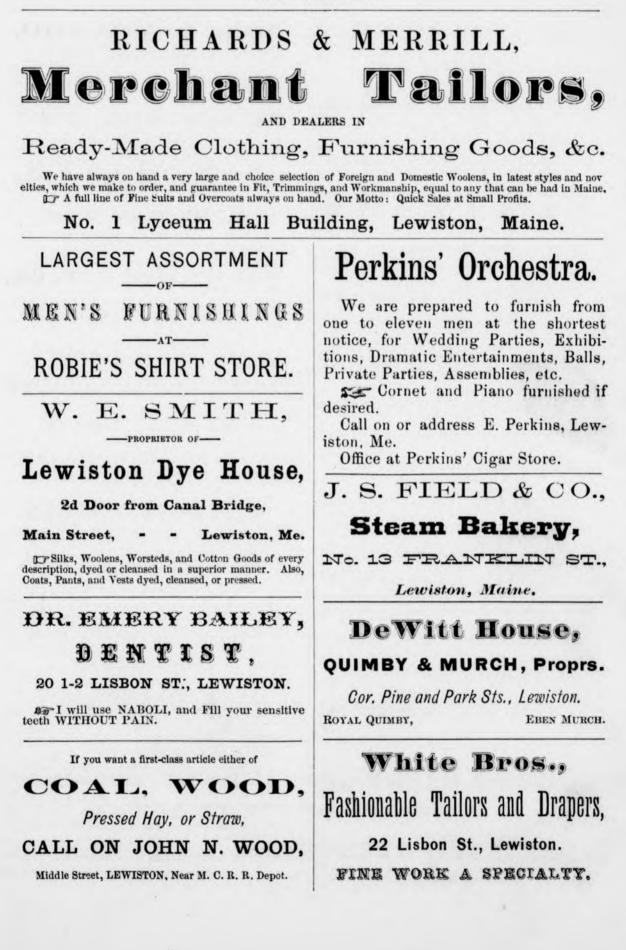
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