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SYSTEM

The pupils of the North Chester Academy called their principal "Sys" Ellison. It was not that he was a sissy; quite the contrary, for he was a tall strongly-built young man with only one feature,—eyes of a detached impersonal brown—to distinguish him from the average college graduate of a few years' standing. "Sys" was an abbreviation for "System," and "System" was an appropriate name for Fredwith Ellison. "Let us get the business in order and systematize it," was his favorite expression. Extensive card catalogs were a hobby with him. His room was lined with neatly-indexed cabinets of drawers for the catalogs. Whether in school or out, whether in matters social, moral, or political, public, or personal, he tried to reduce everything to a system.

Even in his treatment of the fair sex Ellison was systematic. It was a standing joke among the young ladies of the town, who were probably rather piqued at his indifference to their efforts at friendliness, that he invariably escaped conversation by an unchangeable formula. If any bold damsel ventured a remark other than the conventionalities of "how do you do" and the weather, a slightly worried look would chase the impersonal expression from his eyes, he would look at his watch, fumble in his vest pocket, bring out a neat leather-bound note book, and murmur, as he bowed away, "Excuse me, please! I find I have a very pressing engagement."

This was all Cicely Raymond knew of Fredwith Ellison when she was called in her profession to nurse the young man's mother.

After a week at the Ellison's, Cicely had gleaned a few more facts concerning the orderliness of the mental and material objects of the young principal. Every day he came to see his mother at 7.50, 12.10, 4.15, and 6.35. He bade her good-night at 7.50 P.M., and requested Miss Raymond to call him in case of need. He worked in his study till 10.30, then allowed till 10.45 for bath and retiring.

One afternoon as he entered the sick-room, Cicely was busy with pencil and paper. "How's mother today?" he asked.

"I'm just making out the chart," answered the nurse. "Now you can see for yourself." She pointed to the jagged lines of the chart. "Her temperature is lower, her pulse is better, you see, and she has taken more nourishment."

"Do you write it all down on the chart every day?" he asked with evident interest.

"Yes, indeed. In the hospital we are obliged to learn this system, and it's very convenient."

Cicely's eyes danced as she slightly emphasized the word "system," and Ellison, not seeing the mischief written there, began eagerly, "That's just it, Miss Raymond! A system is convenient. You have all about a subject right at your finger's ends, and you don't have to hunt from Dan to Beersheba after it. Now I, —" He stopped.

"Yes?" she asked encouragingly.

Fredwith Ellison took out his watch and his notebook. "Excuse me, please," he murmured. "I find I have a very pressing engagement. But my time is not taken from seven to eight this evening. Shall we continue our conversation then?"

Cicely picked up a neat little notebook from the side table. "Very well," she said as he wrote in the book, "from seven to seven-fifteen."

"In the living-room," he said as he went out.

The nurse smiled to herself as she looked at the writing, "7.00-7.15, F. Ellison," in the hitherto blank book, and said demurely, "If he so admires method, it will be rather amusing to indulge His Systematic Highness."

As the clock struck seven, the two, coming from different directions, entered the living-room.

"You are prompt, Miss Raymond."

"And you also, Mr. Ellison."
"Yes, I'm always prompt. I believe in system. You may have noticed that since you have been here."

Cicely felt that the statement was an interrogation, so she replied, "Yes, I have noticed it, of course, but I knew it before. My cousin told me of the nickname you have gained by your orderly spirit."

Ellison laughed a little. "It is rather amusing, isn't it? But I don't mind, since I know that it means a compliment. If 'Sys' stood for 'sissy,' I should object, decidedly."

Cicely spoke quietly. "No one who had ever seen you would think that 'sissy' was meant, Mr. Ellison."

"This reducing everything to a system may be a hobby," he began in defense of his methodical ways, "but as long as it's a good one, safe and sane, and is always a help, I don't intend to give it up. You haven't any idea how convenient.—Well, yes, you have some idea of it, of course. I remember that you had a chart of my mother's progress and a notebook for engagements. Do you have anything else of the sort?"

"Oh, at home I have a card catalog of recipes. It certainly is the best way. The cards keep clean, and the recipes are easy to find, and it holds any amount of recipes, you know."

"I have a good many card catalogs, too," he informed her. "I have one about my friends. It comes in very handy sometimes. Every new friend worth while goes in my catalog. By the way, would you be willing to fill out this card for me when you have leisure?"

As Cicely took the printed slip, she felt that her self-control was going rapidly, and she turned away a moment to hide her smile. This was what she might have expected. Then she spoke rather gravely, "Your mother asked me to bring you to her," she said. "Will you come now?"

"In the quiet of her room, Cicely looked at the card which Mr. Ellison had handed to her. "In anyone else I should call it impertinent," she thought, "but 'Sys' Ellison never meant it to be." She smiled again as she read it, and filled it out carefully and conscientiously.

Name—Cicely Anne Raymond. R14
Occupation—Nurse.
Residence—Boston, Mass.

Place and Date of Birth—Unity, Maine, Aug. 10, 1892.
Religious Preference—Universalist.
Father’s Name—Edward Sill Raymond (deceased).
Father’s Occupation—Farmer.
Mother’s Maiden Name—Cicely Stewart.
Remarks—Written Aug. 4, 1914.

You ought to make out a card for me, too, she remarked laughingly, a few days after she had returned her. "It's hardly fair to have all the information on your side."

Gravely he took a card from his vest-pocket. "I thought of it last night. Here is one I've written about myself." Without re-reading it, he handed his card to the nurse, who, read, to her great astonishment:

August 10. 7.00-7.30 P.M.
I. Inquire about patient.
II. Offer birthday congratulations.
III. Thanks for care.
IV. Propose.
V. Give ring.
VI. Embrace.

Her face flushed scarlet as she realized that this was the day, her birthday, and that it was nearly seven o'clock now. She looked for a chance to escape, but there was none. Freewith Ellison's broad shoulders seemed to fill the single doorway. If only she could give some excuse! Her voice sounded strange to her, almost panicky.

"I must go now. Your mother will be wanting me."

"How does she seem, Miss Raymond? Better every day?"

"Yes, indeed, Mr. Ellison. Really I'm not needed any longer. In fact, I plan to go to my cousin's to-morrow,—you know Marion Raymond, here in town,—and back to Boston next week."

"What a pleasant coincidence!" he said in mild surprise. "I have business there next week, too. We can go together." He did not notice the flush on Cicely's cheeks, but went on in a business-like tone, "This is your birthday, I saw by your card. Let me offer my congratulations and best wishes." He held out his big hand and clasped her strong slim fingers. "Many happy returns of the day, my dear."

She spoke mechanically. "It has been a very pleasant day, thank you. Now I must go to your mother."

"Wait a moment," he urged rapidly. "I have something important to say."
She longed to escape, but no miraculous way opened for her, and he still held her hand in his strong grasp as he continued more slowly. "You've been very kind to mother, and I want you to know I'm grateful. I never saw a girl so careful and tender and systematic. I never before saw a girl I wanted to live with, or could live with comfortably."

She tried to draw away her hand, but he appeared to be unconscious of the fact, and went on, "I'm sure we could get along beautifully together, we agree so well. When we go to Boston, will you go with me to the house of a friend of mine, a minister, and let him marry us?"

He dropped her hand now, and felt for something in his pocket,—not his watch this time, Cicely knew. She remembered the next number on the schedule. He had it all prepared beforehand. So cocksure! She would show him that "the best-laid plans gang aft a-gley."

"Just wait a minute," she said decisively. "You're working out your system now, aren't you?"

"Wh—wh—what do you mean?"

"You had this all down in black and white, this business of a proposal. On a card. Roman numerals I, II, III, etc. Didn't you?"

"Y—yes. But how did you know?"

"You handed me the wrong card," she answered drily "So I know what to expect unless I interrupt. But I'm going to interrupt. No, don't talk please. Let me finish my part first."

"You're asking me to marry you, but you don't offer or ask for the one thing most necessary. You don't say a word about love. It's all system, or mere convenience. We'd be compatible, because we each keep a notebook, forsooth!"

He was silent under the scorn in her voice and her eyes.

"You have no heart, I think, to put so sacred a vow as marriage on a basis so cold and calculating. I will not marry you. You don't know what love is!" She was at the door now, and turned back to face him a moment more. "But—if you had really loved me," she faltered, "I think—I could have learned—to care—for you." At the last words, with blazing cheeks, Cicely fled up the broad stairway to her quiet chamber.

For the rest of her stay, she avoided Ellison diligently, and succeeded in never being left alone with him, but from his dazed expression she judged that the shock had been great at the defection of his system.

"I hope it will do him good," she thought benevolently, when she was leaving North Chester. She did not hear a word from him, however, until her cousin, Marion, came from the little town to visit her.

"Cicely Anne Raymond," Marion asked with solemn earnestness, "whatever did you do to Sys Ellison? He hasn't been the same man since!"

"Why, what's the matter?" inquired Cicely in vague but real alarm.

"Oh, well, nothing much," her cousin drawled sarcastically, "only he's taken a correspondence course in memory training, leaves all his notebooks at home, and he's become simply an incorrigible flirt!"

Harriet M. Johnson

STORM

Swirling madly, fiercely white,
Fighting, tearing, thru black night
Sweeps the storm.

Inside before the cheering blaze
I sit and watch the blurring haze
Of Nature rampant.

The screaming voice without, sounds pitch;
My spirit taut and white keeps tune
As true and high as the last fine string
Upon the violin.

White hate seethes thru the black despair;
My thots uprear in fear, and tear
Wheeling in fury impotent
Against the cold hard glass
Of Lost Hope.

The storm has passed. The sun slips up to view
The earth in bridal veil of white. Hope comes to woo.

The fury of last night were never guessed.
Chill is the room, the ashes cold and gray
That last night warmed me;
My body stiff and cramped from unaccustomed pose.

And yet my heart is glad and sings in tune
As Nature gives the pitch and pipes the dance.

Hope comes again in old prophetic-rune;
I read the cipher and accept the chance.

—Kennedy
This is the valedictory issue of the present editorial board. The history of another year in the annals of the *Bates Student* is written. In retrospect there are some marks of success in the development of plans; there are many instances of unattained ideals. The year has passed rapidly and the end has come all too soon. We are glad to have contributed to the work of the college paper. The problem of determining the material that should fill our limited space is not easy. We have tried to give each week those things which seemed most essential in our life together. Our opinions may not have agreed with the ideas of all, nevertheless we have endeavored to faithfully discharge the obligations we have felt due to the supporters of the paper.

The policy this year has been based upon the demands for college news. Limited space has made impossible the proper presentation of literary articles of any length. A few years ago the activities and interests of the college students were much more confined and the scope of the college work more limited. At that time the monthly literary paper of the college fulfilled the requirements. It accomplished its purpose and responded most satisfactorily to the needs and sentiments of the students. Today it is necessary for the college paper to act as a medium connecting numerous varied fields of activity, and giving to the students at large the essentials of the entire college life. Were unlimited resources ours, we would most assuredly advocate certain additions, but considering existing conditions the demand of the college now, if we understand it correctly, is for a live newspaper. We hope that soon the *Bates Student* will become such.

There are a great many opportunities for utilizing the increased space made possible, by such a paper. We feel strongly the need of placing more emphasis on the work accomplished by many of our societies. The scientific societies often have papers presented that would be of great interest to many who are not fortunate enough to be enrolled as members. Frequently there are most excellent lectures given in connection with the college that should be recorded in detail. This becomes especially desirable when these lectures deal with subjects in any way affiliated with our debating work. Another very interesting department which we wish might be introduced is a correspondence column. Here the graduates who are meeting life's problems could pass on a message to those now in college. With proper direction and solicitation nearly all the phases of graduate activities could be presented.

The retiring board wish to thank all those who have in any way contributed to the year's work. Several alumni have voluntarily assisted us. Very few alumni names, however, adorn the subscription list. Manager McCann deserves much commendation for his unceasing efforts in the discharge of his office. Successful management is by no means a small problem.
To those who are to continue the work of the Bates Student we extend our most hearty wishes for a successful year. In spite of the effort required and the hours spent in the work, there is that sense of gratification which comes with the knowledge that one is vitally connected with the institution that bears a weekly message to every student. Our word to the incoming board is well expressed in the thought of the father for his son.

"Be his more gentle where my feet too deeply trod, and where I faltered may his step be firm."

We notice from an announcement of the past week that Harvard has entered the movement for preparedness and that a course in military science is to be added to the curriculum. This will be supplemented by military drill, and twelve hundred students have already responded to a call for candidates for drill instruction.

In several previous issues of the Student the question of military science at Bates has been mentioned. With the developments of the past months in Europe, there has come to this country what might be termed a revival of thinking upon military subjects. The average college student has never before realized how closely this matter is related to the affairs of life. The demands of the citizen upon his country for protection, and the relation of each individual in providing that protection are being stated in terms of active life. When the college men vividly realize that the ideas holding sway today must vitally affect and perhaps determine the character and the policy of the nation which soon must be their charge, they should most emphatically demand, and rightly so, that no risks be taken, for which some day they may be called upon to pay dearly. On this basis college men should demand preparedness—that sort of preparedness which centers about the great American ideal of Freedom and Democracy.

It has been suggested that Bates men should not be passive in this matter but should come out into real action. If twelve hundred men are ready to come out for drill practice at Harvard, why not a hundred men at Bates? If this question is really worth while, if it means anything to the individual—to the nation, we are duty bound to consider it.

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**DR. BRECK**

Dr. Edward Breck, field secretary of the Navy League of the United States, addressed the College Saturday night, in Hathorn Hall, on the subject "Our Navy and What it Means." The lecture was illustrated by a number of excellent views, designed to bring out past and present weaknesses in our navy, and to show the splendid progress which has been made.

The League which Dr. Breck represents is not a new organization, but has been in operation nearly 15 years. The ultimate purpose of the League is to secure peace, and in such efforts for peace as the last Hague Peace Conference, it has always taken an earnest and active part.

As means to this end, the League is now attempting to bring before the citizens of the country the importance of the army and navy, as the "best and cheapest insurance against war."

The League holds that there is an imperative need of improvement in our navy in order to raise it to the position of second in the world; and for the building of battle cruisers which we lack entirely. It also considers an American merchant marine necessary, for the saving of the millions paid to foreigners for transporting our merchandise.

In discussing our need of a strong navy, Dr. Breck spoke of our responsibility in connection with the Monroe Doctrine; our agreement in regard to the freedom and neutrality of the Panama Canal; our need for the continuation of the "open door in China"; and our difficulty in protecting our many thousand miles of coastline. He recalled Mr. Choate's suggestion of the probability that our policies along these lines may be put to the test after the war.

Christianity is not opposed to preparedness. On the contrary, it is gambling, of the lowest and most immoral kind, to take chances where the safety and welfare of the country are concerned.

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A COMPLETE DEMONSTRATION

policyholders whose whereabouts, in the course of time and for many causes, had been wholly ignorant, were valid within the current practice and policy and to pay to the parties thereto entitled any sums found to be due. Inquiries were made of the Company by the payees, and often to their great relief, and to the

ERNEST E. DECKER, General Agent
PORTLAND, MAINE
BEN GREET PLAYERS

Those who did not see the Ben Greet Players certainly missed a privilege and a great pleasure. It was a reminder of the time when "Much Ado About Nothing" was written, when scenery was poor and scanty, but dramatic art was far above its present average. After all, is not drama for the purpose of developing our imagination as well as amusing us and satisfying our taste? If this be true, the modern plays, augmented by elaborate scenery, may not be so vastly superior to Elizabethan drama, with its excellently trained actors.

DEBATING TEAMS FOR BATES-TUFTS-CLARK TRIANGULAR LEAGUE

A set of debates to determine those out of the number of students previously selected who should represent Bates in debating this year was held Saturday afternoon. The following men received letters Monday announcing their success: Mervin Ames, '19, Charles Chayer, '17, Julian Coleman, '18, Arthur Dyer, '17, Brooks Quimby, '18, Arthur Purinton, '17, Don Stimpson, '18, Kenneth Wilson, '17.

These men will debate next Saturday to determine the speakers and the alternates on the two teams that Bates will have this year in the Bates-Clark-Tufts Triangular Debating League. Probably these debates will be open to the students to attend, and if so, it will be well worth one's while to listen to the arguments. Announcement concerning this will be made later.

The arrangement of teams for these debates will be:

Affirmative, Ames and Quimby vs Chayer and Coleman.

Affirmative, Purinton and Stimpson vs Dyer and Wilson.

The trial debates this year were well contested and prepared. That the standard of debating at Bates is growing more and more difficult of attainment is shown by the fact that not a single Senior was able to make the teams. The material is very promising this year and the fight for positions on the teams as speakers is sure to be close as only the speakers will be entitled to membership in the Delta Sigma Rho.

Although Chayer and Quimby are the only men who have represented Bates before, all the men have had experience, either in debating or in public speaking. Ames, who has brought great honor to his class by his work, is also an experienced man. He has debated several times for his preparatory school in the Bates Interscholastic League.

CHAPEL NOTES

Bates students, whether they realize it or not, have a real privilege in listening to the talks by Professors in Chapel. The thoughts which Dr. Tubbs presented one day last week seem especially helpful to college men as they strive to solve their problems. In brief, the thought was as follows:

Fifty years ago religious questions presented a far different aspect to the college student than they do to-day. In the first place, colleges at that time were nearly all sectarian, and the student went to that college which professed the sect to which he belonged. There was little or no real exchange of independent thought.

On the other hand, interchange of thought that is more or less conflicting is frequent among the thinking class of students today. In this class many sects are represented; Catholic and Protestant, Trinitarian and Unitarian all are invited to come together. Certain fundamental principles are found to be in common, and other things are found to differ widely.

Such intercourse encourages individual thinking and leads to independent conceptions of God and religion. We are told in the Bible to love God not only with our hearts and souls, but also with our minds, and to have reason for our faith. No thoughtful and honest person can accept a faith contrary to his reason, though our faith may extend far beyond our reason as long as it does not go in a direction not allowed by reason. Since reasoning in such matters must necessarily be a personal affair, the result is that having arrived at our convictions through our own efforts, no two of us worship the same God, any more than we can have exactly coincident conceptions of anything else. We have, then, no right to impose our religion on others, and certainly we should be careful that no one imposes their religion on us, depriving us of what is perhaps our most precious human heritage.
On this broad unsectarian basis Bates stands, and may all understand and appreciate the significance of this fact. May we encourage and increase the interchange of personal religious thought, always keeping our temper in control, and practice together those fundamental things in which all can agree.

Y. W. C. A.

Last Wednesday evening, the Y. W. C. A. held their annual informal Christmas Meeting. Misses Harding, '16, and Farnsworth, '17, told the Xmas stories. Appropriate music was furnished by Miss Maud Murphy, '16, and by the Girls' Glee Club.

Mention has previously been made of the many branches of work carried on by our girls in the Y. W. C. A., but nothing heretofore about the "town committee" which indeed, is a comparatively new department. This time, however, it is this very committee in co-operation with all the girls living outside the dormitories that is arousing much interest lately in a new enterprise. This is the remodeling and improvement of the so-called "Girls' Rest Room" in Hathorne Hall. Already, many repairs are underway, and others are to begin soon. The funds for this project have been raised thus far by the selling of "Uncle Johnny" bookmarks, which are now so commonly seen on our campus. A play is to be put on later to further this same purpose. Helpful assistance and support have already been given by faculty, students, and alumni of the college, and are much appreciated by those primarily interested in the enterprise.

Don't forget to talk up Silver Bay when you're at home Christmas. There's nothing like beginning early you know.

Invitations are out to the Faculty Ladies and college girls to attend a towel shower and Christmas tea for the Children's Home. Remember the date Friday, December 17; the place Fiske Hall; and your gift. The Social Service Committee want to see everyone there; will you come for an hour to help make some one else's Christmas a happy one?

THE FIREPLACE CLUB

Friends of the Fireplace Club will be pleased to know that this society has been reorganized this year under practically the same ideals and purposes as before; namely, the construction of a fireplace for Fiske Room, Rand Hall. The officers as elected for the remainder of the year are: president, Amy Hayden, '16; vice-president, Agnes Burnett, '17; secretary-treasurer, Ruth Dresser, '18, and senior member of the executive board, Agnes Thompson, '16. This society has already a good percentage of the funds necessary for carrying out their enterprise, and hopes by various means to earn enough to make its completion possible by the end of the year.

Friday evening, December 17, the Girls' Literary Societies will hold their regular meetings in Libbey Forum. Let each person remember that we need a good lot of enthusiasm to wind up the society work in the best of shape before vacation time.

Volley ball games Saturday afternoon. All out! Girls! and help your class win the banner.

Thursday evening, December 16, at 7.15, the "Deutscher Verein" and the "Deutsche Gesellschaft" will hold a joint meeting in Libbey Forum. It is to take the form of a Tannhauser musical evening, and will consist of several short talks on Tannhauser, and of appropriate music under the direction of Miss Marguerite Girouard. This is the last meeting of either society before the holidays, and is expected to be a most interesting one.

Last Thursday afternoon, Mrs. R. A. McDonald delightedly entertained another group of Senior girls at her home on Nichols Street. The girls have thoroughly enjoyed these informal affairs, and appreciate her kindness in inviting them to her home.

PERSONALS

Prof. Robinson spent Friday in Portland. Mr. Hinton, '17, has recently organized a Boy's Club at the Main Street Free Baptist Church.

Prof. Coleman preached at Hebron Academy last Sunday.

Professor Robinson announces that selections for the Freshmen Declamations must be chosen and approved by December 22.
Harry W. Rowe spent Friday at Princeton University. He was a guest of the Philadelphia Society during the last day of the Robins-Childs Campaign. On Saturday he was in attendance in New York at a meeting of Representatives of Eastern Institutions which are to have similar campaign after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Robins and Mr. Childs will be at Bates College April 11-13, 1916.

Bible Study work for the men closes next Monday night.

JUNIOR CLASS PARTY

"A jolly good time" was the unanimous decision of the Juniors after their class party last Friday night. The gymnasium was cosily decorated with banners, couches, and screens, and 1917 was out in full force with Dr. and Mrs. McDonald as chaperones. Various games were enjoyed, one of the most popular being a series of forfeits, cleverly presided over by Mr. Lane. Much merriment was occasioned when the boys were obliged to make the fudge, but "they say" it was good. Refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served, and the evening closed with singing.

Last chance—Have got to make it a good one this time.

Chef Kiersted and the management of the Commons have been working for some time on a plan to better accommodate the patrons of the Commons especially the Seniors, whom they feel should be slightly favored in view of the fact that they have suffered for three years while the others have been victims for a shorter period. This plan ought to help out if it is taken advantage of by a sufficiently large number. The plan will go into effect immediately after Christmas. The dining room will be open to accommodate Seniors from 11-45 to 12-30 with the exception of the time between 12-05 and 12-10 when it will be closed to everyone. Meals will be served the other classes at the regular hours.

The election of Football manager was attended this year by unusual interest due to the political activities of the supporters of the two candidates. The interest shown was certainly commendable, and the methods used equally as shameful. It seems too bad that the practices which are tending to destroy our nation can't be kept out of a school election. We were bound to have a good manager either way the election turned, the men should have been left to vote as they chose.

The skating pond will be ready for use as soon as there is some water on it and it has a chance to freeze. Mr. Andrews will have the fire department come up and flood it, if the Athletic association will keep the visitors off until it is ready for use. Here is an opportunity for the A. A. to exercise its Police Power.

The Juniors must have had a good party. To fill up that hungry crowd of men and then gather up the remnants to the extent of several baskets full was some stunt. You see some of the Senior men were remembered—one in particular. That explains how the fact that the women of 1917 are good confectioners happened to be observed.

The Sunday Leader is being published again, and last Sunday it contained a whole column boosting Bates. This is so unusual for a Lewiston paper that it deserves mention. You remember that the Leader always pulled for Bates. If they continue this policy—why don't we do something about it? Let's all buy a Leader next Sunday, and hang it up on the hook that belongs to "Maine's greatest newspaper."

Observations
1. The Seniors act like kids in chapel.
2. The other classes act a little worse.
3. Coach Art Smith of U. of M. is going to Penn.
4. Parker Hall has waited for its Mail Boxes ten weeks.
5. The telephone bells in Parker Hall have been out of order for two years.
6. 1917 has called for Hockey candidates.
7. Dr. Breck's lecture was well attended and much enjoyed.
8. Regular track work began on the boards Monday.

Good luck to the Student.

Dr. Tubbs has been appointed lecturer of the American Defense Society of New York. This society is the strongest of the kind in America outside the Navy League. Dr. Tubbs was recommended for the position by President Chase.

Dr. Britan has invited his Bible class to meet at his home for the last session next Monday evening. Now will anybody be sorry that they did not join a class? Mrs. Britan joins in the invitation and promises something more to be sought after than spiritual food.

ENKUKLIOS

A very pleasant occasion took place in Fiske Room last Saturday afternoon when Enkuklios gave an informal reception and tea in honor of the Lewiston and Auburn Alumnae of the College. In the receiving line were Dean Buswell, Miss Craighead, Miss Kane, president of Enkuklios, and Miss Googins, chairman of the executive committee. Music was furnished by Misses Murphy, Thompson, Shapleigh, and Chapman. Refreshments were served, Miss Hodnett presiding at the tea-table, assisted by Misses Bradbury, Cummings, Stevens, Reed, Tarbell, Place and others.

ALUMNI NOTES

The Alumni Editor wishes to thank most heartily the alumni who have so kindly sent items for the column. Since the success of the Alumni Notes is dependent on the amount of material contributed, we hope that next year the support will be even more generous.

1868—President Chase addressed the recent State Dairyman's Association meeting at the Lewiston City Hall. His subject was "Old and New." On January 7 he is to speak on "The New Woman" before the Social Center Club of Glen Cove, Maine. President Aley of University of Maine, recently gave an address to the same society.

1882—On Wednesday, December 8, in St. Paul, Minn., occurred the sudden death of Benjamin G. Eaton, a loyal Bates graduate. For twenty-five years Mr. Eaton was principal of the St. Paul grade schools and for twenty-one years head of the Hendrieks School. A conscientious, progressive man, he was instrumental in advancing the usefulness of his schools thru organized activities: the Boy Scouts, of whom he was Scout Master, athletics, gymnasium, school libraries, and school gardens. He was much interested in the Y. M. C. A. and other religious work. Bates loses a firm friend by the death of Mr. Eaton, and extends much sympathy to the family.

1887—At the meeting of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association, Frank W. Chase (Bates 1887) was honored by being re-elected president. Fred A. Plummer, Bates '91, was re-elected secretary of the association.

1888—Rev. S. H. Woodrow, D.D., pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational Church of St. Louis, a graduate of Bates in 1888, and President Faunce of Brown University are to be the two speakers at the New England Society of St. Louis, on Forefathers' Day. Dr. Woodrow's subject is "The Influence of the New England College in the Middle West."

1890—Dr. H. B. Davis is the head of the Pittsburgh, Pa., Training School. The 200 young women now attending this school are being prepared for work as teachers in the Pittsburgh schools.

1891—Wm. F. Ham, formerly a member of '91, is Vice-President and Comptroller of the Washington, D. C., Railway and Electric Company.

1893—The Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School, at Dalton, Missouri, of which Nathaniel C. Bruce, Bates '93, is principal, was awarded by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition a medal, as the champion corn-grower of Missouri. This is the only "Country Life" school for Missouri and Western States for colored people. "It aims to teach by example the dignity of labor—the happiness of service and the true value of Moral and Physical Cleanliness."

1895—Dr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Bolster have a daughter, born three weeks ago.
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