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A HERO RARE

WE ADMIRE the man who accomplishes works that pass our comprehension; we revere the patriot who ever strives to maintain the honor of his country and guard her standard from pollution by any stain; we love the man who loves mankind; who regards every man as his brother; who lives, and if need be, dies, that "men may have life and have it more abundantly." And thus our admiration, our reverence, and our love must all bow down and worship at the feet of General Charles George Gordon.

Napoleon could guide the actions of a hundred thousand men as if he had them in the palm of his hand. He could watch the progress of a battle from his distant hill and tell just the place and time to strike. He could, with a single call, raise up an army. But what could Gordon do? I have said that Napoleon, by a single call, could raise up an army; Gordon, with naught but the power of his presence, vanquished an army, without a single weapon or companion; he rode into the camp of six thousand Arab warriors and calmly told them they would have to lay down their arms, and they did. I have said, too, that Napoleon could command a hundred thousand men,—yes, they were men, men with brains and belonging to a race trained in martial ways for centuries. But Gordon had to make his men before he had an army, and that, too, out of faithless, treacherous barbarians. And he did it. Marauders, looters, and butchers he made into soldiers that would obey his every command and would fight to the death by his side. Napoleon could direct, Gordon could transform.
General Gordon was a patriot of the highest type. We find him when a mere youth in the very front ranks at Sabastapool, working persistently and thoroughly for the cause of his country. At home in peace he gave himself to the noblest, though it be the least conspicuous work of patriotism,—that of providing for the needy and the homeless and guiding the deserted and ignorant on the way to life and light. Yet it was at Khartoum at his last great stand, where, though hedged round about with hordes of fanatic Mohammedans,—where, though deserted and ignored by his government until too late, he struggled to the last ounce of his strength for his nation's honor, and that, too, joyfully—it was here that he showed the true mettle of his patriotism. At any time until the last two weeks of that twelve months siege, he could have left his charge and saved himself; but his high sense of duty held him true to the very end so that he could verily say, when he saw that hope was vain, as he did say, "I have done my best to preserve the national honor!"

But this man of genius, this noble patriot, loved mankind above all else. Humanity was his watchword. White, black, or yellow,—all were his care. Whether amid the treachery of the Chinese, or amid the squalor and indolence of the plundered negro, or among the poor and ignorant of his own race, his every act was to uplift and ennoble. Follow him throughout his career in China and tell me if he sacrificed a single life that did not save a hundred; see this man of iron nerve break down and shed tears—heart-sick, bitter, angry tears,—for helpless prisoners, whom he had done his utmost to protect, but who had been butchered by the faithlessness of those over whom he had no control. Imagine the man, who with but the power of his own genius had manufactured an army and conquered an empire—imagine such a man constraining his mighty powers to the teaching of dirty, ragged, homeless children, his little kings as he called them. See the arm that with a single motion could quell a mutiny, patiently trace the words, letter by letter, for his flock; see the eye that could flash with the lightnings of Jupiter, beam with love and
compassion for those struggling souls. Trace him in the Soudan in his single-handed fight against the slave trade; follow him as he rides unarmed and alone from place to place, settling quarrels, providing for the needy, and establishing order out of chaos; and as a fitting climax hear the moan that is borne by the breeze from out that wild waste, just before the cloud of utter darkness falls upon the fated Khartoum,—a moan that tells of a breaking heart! "Oh, my country, my country, what hast thou not to answer for, not to me, but to these poor people!" Read all his story, read it from beginning to end, ponder and weigh it well, and then tell me if ever there lived such a lover of men, so keen a sympathizer with the weak and appressed, save the man of Galilee.

Cheerfully, eagerly, General Gordon gave his life to the service of his country and mankind. These he chose to be his masters and to their work he bent all the force of his genius; his high sense of duty to these drove him irresistibly to his martyrdom. Though his own government taught him to be faithless, he bravely strove to keep the colors from disgrace; but in vain, and he paid the forfeiture of his failure with his life. He manfully struggled to protect the helpless flock he could not forsake, but in vain, and like the good shepherd he gave his life for his sheep. "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his sheep."

A simple man was our hero—simple and unassuming as a child, gentle and tender as a mother, but on occasion stern and inflexible as eternal justice itself; born to lead men and to love them.

THE INTERPRETER

No one lives at this season of the year without a sense of joy in the beauty of the world. Nature fairly thrusts a realization of her loveliness upon us, and involuntarily our hearts respond to the new life, which, perfect in itself is prophetic of coming splendor. Yet we should be dull students both of nature, and of those great masters
who have gone to nature for inspiration, if we did not see beyond this appeal to the senses the ethical beauty of which it is but a symbol, and which reveals itself not alone in the wonderful grace of bird and flower, the coloring of the clouds, the mystery of the stars, and the harmony of physical laws, but which finds expression in human society, in well ordered living, in good laws and true ideals,—the beauty that Ruskin strove to interpret to the English people, and which is the inspiration of all our social prophets.

A keener sense to see and understand this all-pervading ethical beauty, an increased power to bring it into the common ways of life, is the richest return of years spent in studying the great facts of history and the great truths of nature.

Rightly the spirit of to-day strives to make education definitely practical, a means of giving greater skill to the industries that nourish our material welfare. The educated man must be able to do as well as think. Partly because it is in the very nature of a man to find more satisfaction in expressing power than in the mere sense of possessing knowledge. Partly because systems of education and leisure to study are made possible by men who work, and in receiving this gift one is accepting an obligation to the working world.

But hand in hand with the acquisition of even the most practical knowledge, there comes to the open mind a deeper insight into the principles of life. Plainly are they written on every page of history and all enduring art and literature, no less clearly are they told in the revelations of science itself. Our greatest American philosopher said "the motive of science was the extension of a man on all sides into nature, till his hands should touch the stars, his eyes see through the earth, his ears understand the language of beast and bird, and the sense of the wind and through his sympathy heaven and earth should talk to him."

It is the recognized province of the poet to hear this voice, but whoever grasps a noble ideal and makes it dominant in life becomes an interpreter of its message. Such
men our own country has known and every country that has attained true greatness.

Men who with their powers of leadership had a realization of the ethical beauty of those principles that elevate humanity have given to America the character that makes her great. It is our boast that our government was established in order that all men might enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, and that our wars never have been for conquest or glory but to uphold these ideals and preserve the freedom that makes full life possible.

But to-day men who have the same power to recognize truth and interpret it as did the inspiring men of our history, are needed as leaders through perilous social conditions.

As long as there are mountains and rivers and valleys, we shall need the skill of engineers to scale and bridge them. As long as there are the great extremes of wealth and poverty, culture and ignorance, honor and depravity, there will be social problems that will demand the highest wisdom to solve them.

There must be men who have learned to discern what objects are worthy of aspiration, who have the power to see beyond temporary diversions the ways of life that will be permanently for the advancement of all,—men whose knowledge of the past will enable them to direct the present with foresight, whose appreciation of science will teach them the possibilities of human achievement, and whose realization of the worth of life will stimulate their efforts for making possible to each individual the full measure of living.

Luther Burbank, the "miracle-maker" of California, whose creations adorn our gardens and orchards, sees hidden in crude flowers and worthless fruits their undeveloped beauty, and by cultivating and selecting gives to the world fairer flowers, harder fruits, and more productive grains. The scientific interest of such evolution is great, and the economic value inestimable, but not to be over-looked is its re-assuring significance to those who in human society, which is infinitely more responsive than plant life, are
endeavoring to bring about harmonious conditions which will make possible the highest attainable beauty.

This will be accomplished not alone by a few world-known leaders, but also by the great class of men who respond with intelligent sympathy. Especially is this true in our own country where the government reflects in wiser laws and better social conditions, principles which find in the lives of individuals who are the source of government their best interpretation.

June, '05.

ALICE P. RAND.

AN ODD VILLAGE OF ODD PEOPLE

It is a delightful drive from the station, nine miles over one of the most beautiful mountains of the Berkshire Hills. For a short distance the road winds around the shores of a lake and then it begins to rise. Up, up we go until finally, there we are, on the topmost part; behind us is the long road by which we came, woods on both sides; beyond that the lakes dotted here and there with launches and sail-boats; and still farther beyond, another range of mountains. In front is a steep descent; it is very steep and goes down, down until finally at the bottom we see, snug-gled close together a few houses, the cupolas of several barns and the belfry of a church. On both sides are the grand old "purple hills" standing valiantly forth as much as to say, "See how strong we are!"

But we must go down. After many windings in and out we come to a place where, below us on the right lies a village. About this we inquire of the stage driver to his great amusement for, with a laugh, he assures us that it is the same village we saw on our left at the top of the mountain. As we near the foot the driver gives free rein to his horses, the stage sways perilously from side to side, we dash down the broad road and with a mighty jerk slow up directly in front of the post office.

Here, at this time of day, are assembled all the notable people of the village. The postmaster, very corpulent and
exceedingly lazy, sits all day in a chair outside the door as long as the sun does not strike him; when it does, with many gruntings and "oh-h dears," he moves to the other side of the building. His assistant is a young girl and to say that she enjoys her work would be putting it mildly, for through the post-office window she can display the latest styles to the admiring crowd and bestow her sweetest smiles upon all the young men. But this time the stage is off again and we have no time to learn more.

A little farther down on the other side of the road, is an old stone mill; back of it, stretched on a sort of fence, a long piece of something of a dirty white color; across the road directly opposite, one of the best looking country houses we have ever seen, with a dilapidated old shed tumbling down not fifteen feet away. These, we discover, belong to John Tasker, who is land poor, that is, he has too much land and too many buildings. He will not sell and he will not repair. Occasionally he goes into the old mill which is liable to tumble at any minute and there, all alone, he makes a piece of woolen for blankets. This is what we saw stretched on the fence to dry.

It is said that when he was young he went West and while there discovered a beautiful plant, took it up carefully and brought it home, intending to make a fortune by selling slips. He watched over it eagerly and when he had it growing very well, called in one of the neighbors to see the rare plant he had "brought from the West." The neighbor broke out laughing and told him, when she could get breath enough, that his beautiful plant was nothing but Sheep's Laurel, one of their most common wildflowers.

"Here we are," shouts the jovial stage-driver as we stop at the dear, old place, and soon we are clasped in loving arms and made to feel our hearty welcome. After the supper is over and we have told all the home news, grandma insists that we go to bed to rest, and soon with a sigh of contentment and relief we lie down for the first time in the shadow of those old hills we have heard so much about.

Early the next morning we wake up just in time to hear
a shrill whistle and to see the owner of it limping along bright and cheery, as if one arm were not twisted all out of shape. We think, of course, that the poor fellow is debarred from all sports, but Harold says, “No, sirree. There isn’t a boy in town who can throw and catch ball so well as Tom Grant. He’s kind of peculiar though. One time he said, ‘Some people think because I be as I be that I’m a fool, but I’m fur from it.’ ”

After breakfast is over, by walking down a little way, we discover a harness shop, a blacksmith shop and another store—Harold, our young cousin, says that they are so unusually busy this morning that they have not had time for their customary snooze and that the reason they eye us so distrustfully is that they are afraid we may be some more bothersome customers.

“For goodness’ sake, who are they?” Grace exclaims as we are on our way back, and I look up in time to see three old ladies in spare calico gowns, sunbonnets and spectacles, starting out for the berry field. Our guide says that they are Aunt Ruie, aunt to the whole village; Lissa Smith, and Sary Ives; he says that they live in the berry field all summer and don’t begin to groan over their aches and pains until the last berry has gone. Billy Jones told him that “them three old critters” could tire him out any day. A little farther along we see Billy and his wife carefully tending their roses, which are said to bloom for them as they will for no one else. “Morning, Harold,” he says, “ain’t that feller a regular stunner?” as he holds up a rare specimen of a deep red color.

While we walk along Harold tells us all the interesting facts about the people of the village. Mary Etta, the maiden lady who lives with Billy and his wife, sits out under a tree, braiding rugs. She is seventy-nine and fat, yet she wears white lawn dresses to church and bonnets of a most frivolous character. The minister, on one occasion, in the middle of his sermon, caught a glimpse of Mary Etta’s hat and was so provoked to laughter that he lost the thread of his discourse.

“Oh! here comes Mary and the kids,” cries Cousin Har-
old, gleefully. "She is the funniest person you ever saw; she's a real Indian and can't she scold, though! You just ought to hear her yell at those kids" and he commences to laugh at the recollection of times when he had heard her. "The youngest one, that one hanging on to Mary's skirts, is named after Bryan, their father is a Democrat you know. Well, nearly every day the Honorable William Bryan's namesake gets out in the middle of the road where the dust is deepest and rolls over and over until Mary hears an automobile coming and yells to Ruth, 'Ruthie, go pick that youngun out the road.'"

This is the church but we can see the inside to-night at the sociable, so we look across the road where there is a washing machine at full play out on the front piazza of a rickety old house.

"That's Bill Reynolds," we are informed, "the groutiest man you ever saw. Why, he nearly burst a blood-vessel, he was so mad because the minister shooed his hens out of the garden; said he threw stones at 'em. His wife does the work, takes in washings, and so forth, but then, she's capable; she's as stout as an ox and weighs a hundred and eighty."

Years ago the village was full and overflowing, the mill was running and two foundries were employing men in large numbers. Now it is known as "the only place on earth where people live without money."

"Home again!" we all exclaim as the house comes into view, and, "I smell baked apples," says Grace, as we get an odorous whiff from the kitchen.

We spend the afternoon delightfully in exploring the brook and climbing the hills, till at last it comes time for the wonderful lawn party.

By nine o'clock the crowd has all come and to the music of the village band in which Harold plays first cornet, young girls in pretty light dresses flit about with icy refreshments. Here, everyone meets everyone else on an equal footing and, although we are strangers, we are welcomed so heartily that when, at last we must go home, we unanimously agree that we never had a better time.
Ah! pleasures are short and life is full of changes and the next morning bright and early we start for Forbington to get a train for the West. Billie Jones drives us up and sympathetically allows us to enjoy the scenery without forcing conversation upon us.

Stretching out and out before us are the beautiful Berkshire Hills, the sun just tenderly giving them his morning kiss, the broad, green meadows at the foot and the long fields of grain make a wonderful moving picture upon which we feast our eyes. But the sweetest pleasures are often the shortest and in two brief hours this ride is nothing but a memory. In a few minutes after we board the train we can see the dear old hills no more, and our hearts are sad because of the passing thought that perhaps we can never see them again.

C. D.

THE BOY EXPLORES

The Boy had played in the yard all the morning. Every few minutes mother had stopped in her Saturday's work to look out and see if he was all right. He could seem to hear her voice now, saying gently, "Remember, Boy, don't go out of the yard." But he had forgotten mother's words and was picking flowers in the adjoining pasture—almost down to the fence on the river bank!

Many things whirled through his head at once; he remem-
bered guiltily father's saying "Never go to the river to pick flowers, always over in Uncle Ed's field." But what good would that do him now, it wouldn't help him to get home. If he did ever get there he was sure he would not run away again. Suddenly the bushes moved,—cracked! What was it in front of him, between him and the home-path. A big, reddish brown creature, big ears, big eyes, and mouth. He remembered the awful fate of Red Riding Hood, and he was frightened. He clutched the clump of daisies desperately and stood quite still, his broad-brimmed hat flapping limply on the back of his head, the knees of his knickerbocker suit all dirty and the funniest frown imaginable on his tanned little face. The reddish-brown creature moved nearer. The Boy shut his eyes and waited. Hours—it seemed to him passed by. Then something cold and soft, rubbed gently against his sleeve. He gathered courage in one little gasp—and opened his eyes. The "thing" was contentedly nibbling at the daisies. Presently it turned aside.

Then two short, sturdy legs bore the Boy toward home—and mother. From the blessed shelter of her arms, he sobbed out his pitiful story. "It was big—and—brown—and it had—awful fiery eyes!" "A bossy calf," said mother, smiling tenderly. The Boy protested vigorously. Surely no bossy calf ever had such lurid eyes,—such hairy, panting sides. He shuddered. No, assuredly it was not a calf.

Wearyied by his journeyings, the Boy snuggled close in mother's arms. After a moment he stirred restlessly—"It was a—bear!" he announced solemnly and with conviction. Then he went serenely to sleep.

LULA M. WORMELL, '06.

ONE DECEMBER DAY

ONE bare, bleak December day I went to walk in a forest of pine trees. Here and there were little white rugs of snow, a contrast to the ground of brown, matted shrubs, ferns and pine shoots. In the utter stillness the pines shivered and sighed, echoing my very thoughts.
THE STUDENT

Just ahead of me, as I walked in the solitary road, I saw a spring of cold, black water. I knew that in the summer when all is bright and warm, cows came to that spring and eagerly waded into its coolness and quenched their thirst. It did not seem to me, then, that any living creature would ever want to drink from those cold, dark depths.

Was there no other living thing in the woods but the pines and me to bemoan the dreariness of the day? I stepped aside from the road into a little secluded grove. I leaned against a tree and stood and listened. It was fully five minutes before I heard a sound. Then there came to my ears the sound of a little pecking. It was a woodpecker; and I looked about me and soon spied a brown creeper busily making its way round and round the trunk of a tree. A king-bird up in the tip top of another tree was posing as if to make folks think he was monarch of all he surveyed. Then two brother nut-hatches began a terrible squabble, and, for a little while, their shrill voices fairly pierced the air.

I became interested in these little feathered creatures, all busied in trying to find food with which to satisfy their cold, hungry bodies; but a cold shiver reminded me that I must leave them. As I went, I looked back and silently gave them this little benediction: "You poor little birds. You have to live in those cold pines which sigh and shiver when the wind blows. I pity you, indeed; and may the warm sun soon come again to heat and brighten this cold, cold earth, and may you soon be cheered again with the blessings of Spring."

A. R. Q., '07.

THE POWER OF A SONG

A family is gathered for evening prayers. The little sitting-room seems filled to overflowing—the sweet-faced eldest daughter is seated at the organ. Against it leans her twelve-year-old brother, gazing with twinkling eyes at sixteen-year-old sister, who, scowling resentfully, sits, or rather lounges, in the only easy chair the room
affords. The three younger children, fretfully inclined, are clustered on a sofa. The father, his face clouded by business anxieties about which he is still pondering, sits before a stand upon which rests the big family Bible. At his right is his wife, careworn and weary and still wrapped in her plans for the morrow. Only one in all that group is in a suitable mood for the hour.

After a few chords from the organ, they begin to sing without perceiving the significance of the song chosen for their evening devotions.

"Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer!
That calls me from a world of care."
The older members of the circle begin to take notice.
"And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known."
Every word is now fraught with meaning.
"In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief;
And oft escaped the tempter's snare,
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer."

The verse is ended with a hearty appreciation of its significance. The father, no longer pre-occupied, turns with alacrity to the evening lesson already selected by that thoughtful elder daughter. The mother's weary face loses its look of care. The boy flashes a repentant look at his sister who, as she changes to another chair, responds with a forgiving nod. The faces of the little ones, who take their cue from the looks and actions of their elders, instantly brighten. Some magic seems to have pervaded the room and changed the atmosphere to one of peaceful content.
Mr. Harradon, '06, and Miss Pulsifer, '06, have been appointed to fill the vacancies on the Student Board caused by the resignation of Mr. Bradley, who is attending McGill University Medical College, and the resignation of Miss Rand, who felt unable to attend to work on the Board. Mr. Harradon and Miss Pulsifer will serve throughout the rest of the Student year, in the literary department.

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The beginning of the end is not so bad as it might be. At Dover our boys could gain their distance at will so far as the opposing team was concerned, but they beat themselves by fumbling. In the Hebron game, the Hebron boys advanced the ball by steady hammering farther than ours. The one touchdown was scored by Captain Kendall in the first half by one of his long runs on a trick play. In the second half it looked as if Hebron might score, but just as the whistle blew we got the ball, though we were dangerously near our line. In the Fort McKinley game, all had a chance, large and small, weak and strong, and all showed great improvements as compared with the preceding games. But so far as the Harvard game was the great victory—a victory, indeed, although the score says nay. For the second time in her history Bates scored on Harvard at football.
The record of the first half is most flattering to our team. Captain Kendall won the toss and Harvard kicked to our boys. We soon lost the ball on downs and Harvard scored. Harvard kicked again. After the ball was downed, Kendall made a 15-yard run on a double pass. The boys gained their distance in three straight rushes. Another double pass was tried but failed. Then came the great success, when Captain Kendall got clear with the ball and started down the field like a lunatic cut loose. He threw off three men who tried to tackle him and dragged a fourth over the line with him. The ball was brought into play again but our boys lost it soon on downs and Harvard scored.

Still again Harvard kicked to Bates. This time by double passes and quarterback runs the boys rushed the ball close to Harvard’s line. With but 10 seconds to play a place kick was tried but failed. So the first half ended with a score of 6-16 and the ball in our hands near to Harvard’s goal,—a 20-minute half at that.

We will not pass by the second team boys, the ones that get the bumps but little honor. With the best of the men all at Harvard, the shattered remnant fought a noble fight at Hebron and as with the courage of despair in the last moment forced a touchdown. The score was 5 to 21. Saturday, October 14th, the second team played Lisbon and won by a score of 18 to 0.

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**TRACK**

A new departure in track work will be taken this fall. Capt. Allan and Manager Whittum have arranged with the Bowdoin track management for a dual meet between the Bates and Bowdoin Freshmen. This is the first time that such a meet has ever been held in this state and it cannot fail to arouse track interest in both institutions.

This meet will be held at Brunswick on or about November 3. Students taking only regular Freshman studies will be allowed to compete. The officials will be chosen from the undergraduates of both colleges. The two-mile run and probably the hammer throw will be omitted.
Although the Freshman Class is not overburdened with track material it is probable that a good showing will be made. Both Freshmen and upper classmen should realize that this, while in a way a class affair, is also an intercollegiate affair. The Freshmen should be proud that the honor of competing for Bates is given to them. The upper classmen should take it in their hands to make the Freshmen enter into the meet with the true Bates spirit and to train properly for the meet.

The coaching will be in the hands of the men in college who are most proficient in the different events and while this, of course, means plenty of hard work, the men will feel repaid by the fact that this meet offers a chance for us to come out of the rut into which we have fallen in track work. A creditable showing will be looked upon as a victory and for a creditable showing every effort will be made.

The annual interclass meet will be held in the spring this season instead of in the fall. The chief argument in favor of a fall interclass meet has been that it gets the Freshmen started in track work. As the Bates-Bowdoin Freshman Meet will do this it seems best to the management to hold the interclass meet in the spring, just previous to the intercollegiate meet.

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**TEENIS**

The college tennis tournament was entered into with spirit this fall. Whittum, '07, won the singles from Jordan in the finals by a score of 6-3, 6-3, 6-4. There was some good playing between Whittum and Dwinal in the preliminaries. With the third set a deuce set, Whittum's advantage; with the score deuce on the rubber game, 26 points were fought out before Whittum could win the decisive point. The doubles were won by Lewis and Dwinal.

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**YOUNG WOMEN'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

This new association at Bates has been organized under the direction of Miss Constance R. Gutterson, the gymnasium instructor. Its purpose is to provide an association
independent of the men's, which will devote itself to furthering the interest of athletics among the young ladies. The members already number about seventy-five and will no doubt increase.

Section I. of Article V. of the Constitution reads:
“Any student, alumna, or member of the Faculty of Bates College may become a member of the Association by signing the constitution, or by making a request in writing for membership.”

The officers of the Association are chosen as follows: President and Tennis Manager from the Senior Class, Vice-President and Hockey Manager from the Junior Class, Secretary from the Sophomore Class, Treasurer, the gymnasium instructor, and an Executive Committee composed of a member of each class. The Tennis and Hockey Managers are each entitled to four assistants, representing the four classes. The officers at present consist of President, Miss Briery, '06; Vice-President, Miss Ethel Davis, '07; Secretary, Miss Shorey, '08; Treasurer, Miss Gutterson; Executive Committee, Miss Elvena Young, '06, Miss French, '07, Miss Blanchard, '08, Miss Bertha Clason, '09. Tennis Manager, Miss Mae Davis, '06; assistants, Miss Park, '06, Miss Julia Clason, '07, Miss Melcher, '08, Miss Coolidge, '09. Hockey Manager, Miss Emily Willard; assistants, Miss Sheehan, '06, Miss Mitchell, '07, Miss Doughty, '08, Miss Tetreault, '09.

The duties of the Tennis and Hockey Managers shall be to make all necessary arrangements for games and tournaments, also for those desiring to learn to play the games; to have charge of and be responsible for all the property pertaining to their respective departments; also to submit an itemized report of expenditures and receipts to the Association at the end of each term.

The Association has decided to own some tennis rackets and balls (of which six have already been purchased) and the hockey sticks and ball which have probably arrived by now. These will be for the use of the members of the Association. There is already a class of twenty-two young
ladies who desire to learn tennis, while all the members are interested in the game of hockey which is new to them.

Perhaps, just here, it will not be out of order to say a little about this game for which a field, one hundred yards by fifty yards, has been laid out near Science Hall. A team requires eleven girls, and therefore twenty-two must participate in every game. It is played with field hockey sticks, which are heavier than those for ice-hockey, and a cricket-ball, painted either white or red. It is a game which involves much running and is both scientific and interesting when well played.

In the spring the tennis courts near the New Dormitory will be renovated with new tapes and other advantages for the young ladies.

One or two more sections from the Constitution will be interesting. Section II. of Article V. reads:

“A member of the Association in good standing is entitled to the use of the tennis courts, nets, etc., or any property of the Association.”

Section I. of Article VII.:

“The regular dues of the Association shall be one dollar ($1) a term. Said sum shall be due the Association on the third Monday of each term.

Article IX.:

The Association shall pledge not less than one hundred dollars ($100) per year for the benefit of the Bates College Athletic Association.

Let all the young ladies rally to the support of the Association and enjoy its benefits.

FRENCH CLUB

It has been decided to recommence the French Club which was carried on so successfully two years ago. To take the place of Dr. and Mrs. Veditz who before were the promoters, Father Hayes of St. Joseph's has been secured. Th membership as formerly will be restricted to the Junior and Senior classes. The meetings will be held fortnightly
in the reception room of the new dormitory. The purpose of the club is to offer those interested in French an opportunity to obtain more practice in speaking than the regular course affords. It is hoped that all—especially those who expect to teach French—will avail themselves of this rare opportunity.

DEUTSCHER VEREIN

At last the Verein at Bates has become an established fact. Thursday evening, October 12, the Verein was organized and put on a firm basis. Last year some of the Junior and Senior boys met informally a few times at Dr. Leonard's, to spend an enjoyable "German" evening. These meetings were so successful and so much interest was shown, that this year it was decided to organize formally.

At the meeting Thursday evening, officers were elected for the current year, as follows: President, Harry D. Harradon, '06; Vic-President, Harold N. Cummings, '06; Secretary and Treasurer, Leo W. Farrar, '06. The charter members of the Verein are Austin, Bonney, Cummings, Farrar, Harradon, James, Johnson, Jordan, Redden, Salley, Stevens, and Wiggin, all of the Senior Class. Committees were appointed to embody the ideas of the Verein in a constitution to be presented for discussion at the next meeting, and to consider new members.

The object of the Verein is to give its members an opportunity to become better acquainted with German life and customs. The Vereins at Bowdoin and at U. of M. have been unusually successful, and have proved the value of such an institution. We have started out in high hopes of having a permanently valuable organization here at Bates.

Already the Verein is greatly indebted to Dr. and Mrs. Leonard for the pleasant evenings spent with them.
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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

The Study of Missions in the North American Colleges

Recently there has been a remarkable growth in the number of students of North America engaged in the study of missions. In the United States and Canada last year 12,629 students in 373 institutions were enrolled in 1,049 classes. This striking advance is due in part, no doubt, to the increased interest felt in missions by the Christian churches throughout the country, but probably in larger measure to certain considerations that appeal with peculiar force to students, among which the following may be pointed out:

The study of missions removes narrow-mindedness and ignorance as nothing else can. He who knows nothing of the spread of Christianity cannot read even the daily papers intelligently.

The study of missions is an aid to spiritual growth. For inspiration and encouragement nothing is better than biographies of the great missionaries. One's faith is lifted by coming in contact with them.

Missionary candidates, of course, should prosecute the study of missions that they may be better prepared for their work; and no Christian student should decide his life-work until the claims and needs of the world have been prayerfully considered. To do so would be to settle this momentous question on insufficient knowledge.

It is clear, therefore, that the subject should attract students of all classes and interests.

The most popular courses last year were those on Japan, the Philippines, India, China, and Missionary Biography, but apologetic, sociological and other courses were also largely used.

The prospects for 1905-6 indicate a much larger interest in the colleges of the United States and Canada than last year.

Our Missionary Committee has arranged interesting courses, and will be glad to enroll you in one of the classes.
MANAGER'S NOTICE.

The management wishes to state to the subscribers instead of sending receipts in acknowledgement of subscriptions paid the check system will be used. That is the date on the wrapper will show the date to which the subscription is paid.

The gymnasium work for the young ladies will begin the first week of November and will be required two hours a week for that month. During the winter term, gymnasium work will be required for three hours per week of all except the Seniors, who are required but two hours. The work this year will be especially interesting under a lady instructor.

An interesting event took place October 11th and 13th, i. e., the girls' tennis tournament of doubles under the management of Miss Mae Davis, '06. The first games were played the 11th and were Misses Anthony and Dexter, '08, versus Misses Melcher and Shorey, '08, the Misses Melcher and Shorey winning; Misses Watkins and E. Young, '06, versus Misses Pushor and Blanchard, '08, with '06 successful; and the Misses Park and Yeaton, '06, versus Miss Willard and E. Davis, '07, with '06 winners.

The finals were played the 13th, when the Misses Melcher and Shorey, '08, defeated the Misses Young and Watkins, '06. Then came the game for the championship in doubles between the Misses Melcher and Shorey, '08, and Misses Park and Yeaton, '06. And it was a hard-fought game, '08 winning only by sets, the number of points on either side being the same. The scores by sets being: 1st set, 6-1 in favor of '06; 2d set, 6-3 in favor of '08; 3d set, 8-6 in favor of '08. Next spring's tournament is already looked forward to with high anticipations.

The singles of the tournament will be played immediately.
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ODDS AND ENDS

Which will this Freshman do, play tennis, or play algebra?

We join with the faculty in a daily petition that our short Cummings may be forgiven.

Mr. Goodwin from Leavitt Institute has been elected captain of the Freshman track team.

A dignified Senior translating: “And she hung herself on his neck.” “My, what suspense,” says the instructor.

We are grieved to learn that Mr. Thurston of the Class of 1909 has been obliged to leave us on account of his severe illness. We wish him health and strength, and if he sees fit to come to us again, we will welcome him anew.

The annual football game between the green men of the Senior and Sophomore classes and the green men of the Junior and Freshman classes took place Saturday, October 14; the former were designated by the appellation “Pong,” the latter by that of “Ping.” It was thought that Ping Pong would well describe the game, considering the qualifications of the combatants. But the sun faded the greenness of this supposedly untried crowd and the anticipated game of Ping Pong turned into a real game of football. There were the plunges, the rushes, wild gesticulations, excited shouts, doleful grunts and groans. Once from the melee the giant Jordan shot like an arrow and downed the
halfback, Rogers, in his tracks. Then that fallen hero shouted in lion-tones that shook brick off the chimney of Roger Williams Hall, "who's taking care of that man Jordan?" Thereafter the Spartan brave was for the most part invisible but at times he made his presence felt. The fiery Farrar time and again broke through the line displaying horribly the place where his teeth weren't. There were many more heroic acts of heroic men and had I the genius of Homer I would recount them all that none be lost to the forgetful multitude; but this must suffice:

Half a yard, half a yard,
Half a yard onward,
Straight to the Pingers' goal
   Charged the eleven.
Forward, ye gallant crew!
Forward, ye chosen few!
Straight to the Pingers' goal
   Charged the eleven.

Ping men to right of them,
Ping men to left of them,
Ping men in front of them
   Twisted and struggled;
Though brave and hero fell,
Boldly they charged and well
Into the jaws of Death
Into the mouth of Hell,
   Jostled and juggled.

When can their glory fade?
O, the wild rush they made!
   Angels from Heaven
Peered through the boundless blue
Down on the dauntless few,
   Noble eleven!

ALUMNI PERSONALS

At the Massachusetts Superintendents' Association held in Worcester, Mass., October 13, the president, vice-president, and secretary and treasurer were respectively, F. H. Nickerson, Bates, '86, Clarence E. Brockay, '78, and Charles E. Stevens, '86. An address was given by Supt. A. L. Safford, '89, on the subject, "The Work in the Beverly Schools," and Supt. U. G. Wheeler, '87, and W. C. Hobbs, '81, were leaders in the "General Discussion" department.
1870.
Mr. Josiah Chase married Mrs. Constance Talpey, July 12, at York, Me.

1872.
Mr. Frederick H. Peckham has a son in the Freshman Class.

1873.
Dr. Lester C. Jewell has a son in the Freshman Class.

1874.
Mr. F. R. Crommett has a son in the Freshman Class.

1877.
Hon. H. W. Oakes has a son in the Freshman Class.
Hon. O. B. Clason has a daughter in the Freshman Class.

1881.
Mr. H. W. Hayden has a son in the Freshman Class.

1880.
Mr. W. H. Judkins has recovered from a long illness and is now at work again.

1882.
Mr. John W. Douglass of Washington, D. C., was in Maine this summer.
Mr. B. G. Eaton is principal of the Hendrick's School at St. Paul, Minn.

1883.
Mr. Frederick E. Manson, editor of the Grit, Williamsport, Penn., visited in Maine this summer.

1886.
Professor W. H. Hartshorn lectured September 25, at Guilford before a meeting of the Piscataquis Association of Teachers. His subject was "A Trip Through Germany."
Professor Hartshorn went to Boston October 13, to represent Bates at a meeting of the New England Association of Colleges and Fitting Schools.
Mr. Edgar Varney is principal of the High School at Milton, Mass.

1887.
Mr. U. G. Wheeler is superintendent of schools at Everett, Mass.

1888.
At the 43d regular meeting of Kirk Street Congregational Church at Springfield, Mass., October 10, Rev. S. H. Woodrow, D.D., was the guest of honor, and delivered an address on the subject "The Supreme End to be Sought in Religious Education." The Lowell Congregational Club
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says: Dr. Woodrow is easily one of the foremost speakers of New England. He is to be speaker at the Boston Congregational Club in November and is also to be one of the principal speakers at Providence this month at the Sunday-school Convention.

1889.

Mr. A. L. Safford is Superintendent of Schools in Beverly, Mass.

1890.

Mr. C. S. Whitcomb is practicing medicine at Contoocook, N. H.

1891.

Miss Mabel S. Merrill recently received a $100 prize for a cooking recipe.

1893.

Mr. C. C. Spratt has been elected principal of the High School at Putnam, Conn.

1895.

Mr. J. S. Bragg is teaching in Wakefield, Me.

1896.

Mr. Oliver F. Cutts, Bates, '96, Harvard Law, '03, is practicing law in Seattle, Wash., 548 New York Block, under the firm name of Cutts and Douty.

Mr. R. L. Thompson of St. Louis, has returned from a five months' continental trip, during which time he travelled in France, Italy, Germany and Holland. During his trip to Italy he visited the excavations of the city of Pompeii.

The pamphlet entitled a "Study in Pathology," presented to Coram Library by Dr. Thompson, has recently been bound and put upon the shelves.

1897.

Mr. F. W. Burrill has gone into business at Corinna, Me.

1898.

Mr. J. Freedman Brackett is principal of the High School at Douglass, Mass.

Dr. J. P. Sprague of Chicago was in Lewiston, recently, on his way from Aroostook County to Chicago, having been called there by sickness in his family.

Professor E. L. Collins was married this summer to Miss Porter of Danvers, Me.

Dr. J. P. Sprague and his wife (Miss Mertie Maxim, Bates, '95) conducted a camp for boys this summer in the lake region of Northern Wisconsin. They were assisted in their work by Professor A. A. Knowlton, also Bates, '98.
Mr. Thomas Bruce, who is doing a great work in the South among the negroes, was one of the after-dinner speakers at Commencement last June.

1899.

Mr. Everett Peacock is principal of the Springfield Normal School at Springfield, Me.
Mr. G. F. Parsons is principal of the Limestone High School.
Miss Ethel Vickery is teaching in Dover, N. H.
Miss Mabel Jordan has resigned from her position in the Lewiston High School.
Mr. Oscar Fuller is in Texas teaching under the auspices of the Home Missionary Society.
Mr. Saunders is teaching in Virginia under the auspices of the state.

1900.

Mr. L. G. Whitten is principal of the High School at Stoughton, Mass.
Mr. L. G. Staples is Superintendent of Schools at Pascoag, R. I.
Mr. Silas O. Clason is in the St. Joseph's Hospital, Providence, R. I.
Mr. U. G. Willis teaches Latin and Athletics at the University School in Chicago.
Mr. Richard M. Emrich was ordained at the Grace Church June 12, South Framingham, Mass. In the ordination Rev. Frederick Emrich, '76, gave the charge to the candidate. Mr. Emrich and wife started for Mardin, Turkey, September 16, and are expected to reach there, December 1.
Miss Blanche B. Sears reached home September 18, after a trip to Scotland, England, France, Holland and Belgium. Dr. Ernest Call and wife (Miss Furbush, '99) have a daughter, Virginia, aged about one month.

1901.

Mr. W. M. Marr is principal of the High School at Holbrook, Mass.
Mr. W. R. Ham has resigned from his position in St. Louis High School in order to accept the position as Assistant Professor of Physics in University of Maine. His engagement to Miss Emma Millbank of New York City has recently been announced.
Miss Bertha Irving is teaching in Montague, Mass.
Miss Louise L. Parker teaches in Cherryfield, Me.
1902.

Mr. B. C. Merry is principal of the High School at Wareham, Mass.

Miss Annie L. Merrill has a position in the New Bedford, Mass., Grammar School.

The marriage of John A. Hunnewell to Miss Mattie Sprague, occurred October 11, at South Hingham, Mass.

Miss Mabel Richmond is teaching in Grafton, Mass.

Miss Clara F. Allen teaches at Fort Fairfield, Me.

Mr. E. R. Bemis has a position teaching in Stonington, Maine.

Mr. C. E. Daicey is local manager of the Lewiston and Auburn Telephone Company.

Mr. E. A. Childs is principal of the High School at Lancaster, Mass.

Mr. S. A. Longwell was recently married to Miss Lillian Willard. He is now teaching in North Woodbury, Conn.

Virgil DeWitt Harrington is manager of the dormitory at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. It is said that later on he may have the management of Phillips Inn at the same place.

J. Alex. Lodge has met with good success in the management of the North Shore Breeze, a society news-magazine which he established at Manchester-by-the-Sea, Mass., a year ago last May.

1903.

Mr. Ralph L. Hunt has been elected principal of the Grammar School at Calais, Me., and also teacher of sciences in the High School.

Prof. Philip R. Everett is principal of Lisbon High School.

Mr. Howard Kelley teaches in Springfield, Mass.

Miss Bertha Stratton is teaching in Chatham, Mass.

Miss Edna Conforth teaches in the Bluehill-George Stevens Academy.

1904.

Mr. W. W. Keyes is sub-principal of the Clinton, Mass., High School.

Mr. J. C. Sweeney is principal of the High School at Pascoag, R. I.

Mr. E. M. Babcock, formerly Bates, 1904, is sub-principal of the High School at Reading, Mass.

Mr. F. W. Rounds has a position in Louisville, Ky.

Miss Florence Hodgson teaches in Beverly, Mass.

Mr. W. S. Adams is principal of the Grammar School, at Lisbon Falls.
Mr. C. H. Walker is principal of the Goffstown, N. H., High School.
Miss Lillian M. Small, formerly Bates, 1905, is teaching in Yarmouth Academy.

FROM OTHER COLLEGES

Amherst has adopted the honor system of conducting examinations.
The Freshman Class at Wellesley is unusually large, 340 girls having reported for the year's work.
At Colby, the women's division of the Sophomore Class has abolished hazing among the women students.
Work has been commenced on the Carnegie Library at Maine. It is expected that the underpinning will be finished this fall. The building will be of granite and will have two stories and a basement.
Football at Harvard was found to be the most lucrative sport of the year, the profit being $57,223.
Doctor Mary Sybel Croswell, Colby, '96, will be the gymnasium director and medical adviser, for the Colby young women.
The forty-ninth annual meeting of the New England College Association will be held at Williamstown, Thursday and Friday, November second and third. The Association is composed wholly of men's colleges and has fourteen members, Harvard, Yale, Brown, Williams, Dartmouth, Amherst, Trinity, Wesleyan, Tufts, Boston University, Bowdoin, Clark University, University of Vermont and Middlebury College.
The University of Maine Summer School had an attendance of fifty-nine.

SONG.
(Prize Poem.)
My love is like a little bird,  
So blithe and quick is she,  
So blithe and quick and debonair,  
So loving of the open air,  
And full of dainty ecstasy.

My love is like a little bird  
And merrily she sings,  
And singing, stoops with lips that miss  
No happy note, my cheek to kiss,—  
A brushing touch like sunlit wings.

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This is a department in the College, established by vote of the corporation July 21, 1870. It occupies Roger Williams Hall, a new and beautiful building, and is in charge of a special faculty appointed by the College corporation.

Candidates for admission are required to furnish testimonials of good standing in some Christian Church, and to give evidence of their duty to prepare for the gospel ministry, certified by the church of which they are members respectively, or by some ordained minister.

Those who are not graduates from College, previous to entering upon the regular course of study, must be prepared for examination in the common English branches, Natural Philosophy, Physiology, Chemistry, Geology, Astronomy, Algebra and in the Latin and Greek languages.

Tuition, room rent, and use of libraries free.

THE BIBLICAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

This school was established by vote of the Trustees, June 27, 1894, to provide for the needs of students not qualified to enter the Divinity School. Its students have equal privileges in the building, libraries, lectures, and advantages already described. Its classes, however, are totally distinct from those of the Divinity School, the students uniting only in common chapel exercises and common prayer meetings.

This department was opened September 10, 1895. The course of study is designed to be of practical value to Sunday-school superintendents, Bible class teachers, evangelists, and intelligent Christians generally, as well as to persons who contemplate the ministry.

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