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## A PHILLIPIAN AND HIS CRONIES.

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In some respects Ashur Tristram was not a model for any young life to imitate. He was a part of the Academy and fitted harmoniously in his place, but differed from every other part in the school. He lived among young lives from whom he was himself separated by an impassable gulf; yet so airy, so light, so plastic was his nature that he easily bridged that separating chasm, so that only his more intimate friends ever suspected they were in the least apart. It was not Ashur's habit to disclose in any way what were the causes of that personal isolation. True, sometimes, in moments of weariness or of strong feeling, which come to every one when the sway of the judgment seems for the moment laid aside, he was known to speak of the more external facts of his life. Sometimes he spoke quite freely of these outer facts, which, to hearers keener than happy schoolboys, would have been an explanation, in some measure, of the contradictory character which he possessed. There was no attempt on the part of his friends to inquire into his history, for he shunned any such search, and yet, unconsciously and involuntarily, was daily making it more and more evident to his companions that his life in some strange way, — probably a sad way, — was widely separated from their own. Sterling had aptly stated his own and others' feelings concerning Ash when he told him that he always thought of him as being alone. From some of the half confidences which Ashur sometimes entrusted to his friends, a faint outline story of his life was shaping itself in their minds. It seems that Ashur had spent the first years of his childhood happily in a quiet, beautiful village in the State of Delaware. A little sister was his sole companion. These two little souls seemed to be alone, and yet they were complete in each other. They lived in a large house with spacious grounds around. Their parents were both dead. An old aunt lived with them. But she died and Ash was taken away from his home, and his little sister and he were parted. She, too, went to a strange home. They were parted in life; just why Ashur never knew; and before a year had passed, news came to Ash that his little sister, his little Queen Anne, was separated from him by the vast and silent gulf, death. And then, by some process which the law sanctions and humanity condemns, the property which was his was wrested from him. Without kinsmen, without friends, without money, without even knowing the wrong that was done him, he stood alone at the threshold of life. And worse than all these disadvantages was the sadness which settled down on his young heart like a cloud of night. It gave a pensive, plaintive tone to all his words, and of necessity only tended by its very nature, by its variance from the usual experience of youth, to prevent him from close contact with the healthy, happy young lives which were around him.

But Ashur was other than a creature of feeling and sentiment. He was intellectual, and he sought knowledge as instructively as the eagle seeks the upper ether. And foremost in his thoughts, — strange as it may seem, — though separated consciously from his fellows his deepest thought and interest was in them. Perhaps this very isolation gave him the needed eminence of view from which to survey life in all its hurrying, surging tides as one out of its sweep and press. Perhaps it was in some way allied with a deep interest he had in the workings of the human mind, which showed itself in his interest in mesmerism. Yet standing alone in life, separated from his fellows by circumstances in which he had no choice, his thoughts were necessarily centered on himself, — a good thing and a bad thing. There was a period of which Ashur spoke as his business life. How long that period was he never intimated, but his friends surmised it must have been several years, for during it he had been steadily accumulating the money with which he obtained his education, supplemented by his own exertions in the Academy and the aid of his former employer, who was strongly

attached to the quiet, faithful boy who had so well served him.

Such was a brief outline of Ashur's life as it formed itself in the minds of his friends. They never quite understood his pathetic devotion to his little sister; other fellows had experienced such losses, but they soon found life as pleasant, and the little face and silver-tongued prattler was finally forgotten. Was he not morbidly cherishing an old grief that should have died out of his life long ago and let in the sunshine of hope which looks forward with glad expectancy, but never backward with despairing tears? Perhaps it was unhealthful, but this is not to be forgotten, a fact which even his friends could not understand because they knew nothing of its experience, this, that his little Queen Annie was the only human life that had touched his own. His father and his mother he had never seen; but Queen Annie and he, — they had begun life together; his earliest recollection was of her; she was the first thought of his childhood, the first, the foremost figure of all his memories. And they had been very happy together, for they loved each other. What wonder, then, that her memory followed him and the sense of deep loss clung to him, even after years had come and gone? She had filled a great place in his affections and in his life, and there was a void, deep and vast when she was lost to him. She was the one human soul who joined him with the family of man; she stood for all the ties of kin and blood which are strong and tender, even in the roughest and lowest of men, and which in natures of finer organization are stronger than life — or death. And she who gathered in herself all these ties was taken from him, and every bond which joined them was rent and torn asunder. So it was that Ashur was conscious of loneliness early in life, and without a word, without a hint, his associates at school were conscious of that isolation as if it were an atmosphere which enveloped him. Then, too, the peculiar bent of his mind tended to put him apart from men. His interest in mesmerism was an index to his strongest intellectual tastes. Not a full and complete index unless one followed it far. Temperament and circumstances had both combined to make him an observer of men. But it is not desirable for all men to be observers. For this, and chiefly for other reasons, Ashur was not a model for young lives. He was influential; perhaps no man of his circle had such an influence as he; he was stimulating, he made his friends think, but he was, in some sense, at least, abnormal. He was ahead of his age in his way, and that is not always an unmixed blessing. Then, too, his power and strength was and had been centered too much on himself. While not grossly selfish, he was an egoist. He was restless; he had capacities which would wear his own life out unless exerted in some outgoing toward other lives. He was influential, but there was something of negativeness about him; this was his weakness, in this he was a bad type for youth to admire. This was his mental unhealthiness, it was the natural result of his circumstances acting upon his temperament. He could not be blamed for it; to extricate himself from it would be the highest heroism; to sink deeper into its darkness would be the usual thing, almost the inevitable thing. Dimly, confusedly, Ashur was conscious that he was approaching a crisis which should fix his destiny. Such a time comes to all lives, whether or not they are conscious of it. Dimly did his friends realize the more their distance from him. Sterling, who was strongly attached to Ash, felt sadly his inability to aid his friend. He felt that he could not enter his friend's thought; he was separated from him; he stretched out his hands to help him, but a gulf yawned between them; he raised his voice to cry out, but his voice failed him; he looked long and earnestly into his friend's troubled eyes, but a cloud came between them. So it seemed to Sterling, one December evening, after leaving Ash in his room, and, saddened himself and restless, he called in desperation to see Miss Storey.

The "noise of conflict" has become a trite saying. But the mightiest conflicts are silent. In the

quiet of the study, in the hushed beatings of the heart, battles are fought, victories are won, in comparison with which all others are small indeed. How they are fought, who can tell? Who can say what were the forces at work in Ashur's life? His friends were perplexed, and he seemed removed from them by an infinite distance. But they knew that there was some conflict within him. Cal in his anxiety asked him daily to discuss a box of sardines, or some of Allen Hinton's famous banana cream, or some other form of good cheer. And Cal was not so unwise as he may seem in seeking a man's heart through avenues that reached his own.

The winter vacation came at length. Foot-ball was over, and Exeter had been soundly defeated, whereat Andover was tremendously glad, and much ginger-ale was consumed in celebration of the victory. Examinations, too, were done, and plugs were anxious, and those, too, who were anything but plugs, while the great majority of the boys, completely forgetful of books and lessons, were absorbed in plans for the holidays. The trains had gone, and Andover was one of the most deserted villages of the civilized world. A few students remained, among whom was Ashur. And as the last few days of the year were rapidly speeding away, a vague thought had come in some way into Ashur's mind that a crisis was approaching. It was a vague thought, an unreasonable thought, but it clung to him in spite of all his attempts to shake it off. Sometimes it came with a great bounding sense of gladness as if his life was to be brightened with sunshine; sometimes the thought was dark and hopeless, and, having a tendency to see life on its night-side, Ashur awaited in anxiety the crisis which he imagined was coming upon him.

## Literary.

*Outing and The Wheelman* have united their forces, apparently with advantage. The January number is the best we have seen, and gives promise of a brilliant volume. "Summer Sweethearts," the new serial, opens up interesting possibilities, and the whole number is gotten up with great care and skill. We take pleasure in commending the new magazine to our readers.

THE *History of American College Journalism*, by J. F. McClure of Harvard, is an interesting little handbook containing a mine of interesting information about the growth and present status of the journals of twenty-three colleges and our own academy, the only preparatory school mentioned.

THE *Philo Mirror* came out as usual at the end of last term. The editors have spent a great deal of time and pains in its preparation, and this, with the well written articles contributed, renders it an unusually good number. The "Editors' Review" invites special commendation, also the humorous department, in which there appeared only 17 standard and popular puns. "Men of Character" is a remarkably strong essay. The prize essays were good. The frontispiece was a photograph of Prof. S. F. B. Morse, P. A. 1806. The publication of the members and seals of the different societies existing in the school is a new feature and one of interest.

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A Complete Walk-Over

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Wednesday afternoon last, the Harvard '87, saw the campus and probably 150 Harvard Freshmen delegations of "Fem Sems" who flocked forward to the game with apprehension; but how ill the progress of the game soon showed that our men were outplaying our joint except punting the ball about equal.

The ball was put in play on the lower side of the field and the ball after the kick-off and in the centre of the field. A bad pass by Knowlton forced the ball nearly a moment later, - by a shrewd play some time time to "catch on to" down. The punt-out failed, and the centers fine playing by our back and Knowlton, soon drove down at Harvard's goal line, by Fine, 2:30. After this our men in the keeping the ball within for some time, but were now went back to our 25-yard line again hovered in the vicinity. Burgess made good plays, but back. Soon after, I held in the lower part of the field, nearly

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mediately returned the compliment, and he in turn was followed by Wallace, and the ball was down for Andover in front of Harvard's goal. Harvard worked hard, but gradually lost ground, until at 3:00 King made the second touch-down. The punt-out failed, and a moment later time was called for the intermission. Score, Andover, 2 touch-downs; Harvard, 28.7, 1 Safety touch-down.

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The second half of the game was marked by the desperate efforts of the Freshmen to score, and good work by the home team. '87 had the kick-off. After a few minutes' play the ball was down for Andover below the centre of the field, when Knowlton broke through the Harvard rush line, and rushed the ball to within a few feet of the Harvard goal line.

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Stearns started for a touch-down, but lost the ball and Harvard made a touch-back. For some time the ball remained in the possession of Harvard's goal. Alderman kicked for a goal but missed, and Harvard made several touch-backs in quick succession. Harvard was evidently badly rattled once or twice, as when one '87 man tackled another who was running towards his own goal. Finally, Wallace got the ball and made by far the prettiest rush of the game, going through the whole Harvard team, and getting the ball down in front of the goal posts. Silverthorn kicked the goal, 3:35.

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After the kick-off Harvard again carried the ball dangerously near Harvard's goal. The advantage was only temporary, and the ball moved back and forth near the centre of the field for some time. A good play by Harvard roused our men, and they steadily forced the ball down to '87's goal line, so that at 2:40 Knowlton scored another touch-down.

The try-at-goal failed. Shortly after, Fletcher made the best rush of his side. Wallace rushed back and was thrown heavily, breaking his collarbone. Silverthorn took his place. After this '87 played hard, but Knowlton

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again broke through their mesh line. Good play by Stearns and King, and a long punt by Alderman, aided Knowlton in securing the last touchdowns of the game. Time, 4:08. No goal. Wymann and Aldin made good rushes, and at 4:12 Stearns kicked a very pretty goal from the field, thus completing the score. Only a few minutes remained. Harvard played sharply, but gained nothing, and time was called at 4:21, just as Willard was stunned, but not seriously hurt.

Score: Andover, 2 goals, 4 touch-downs; Harvard '87, 2 safety touchdowns.

The players were as follows: -

Andover. - Rushers, Aldin, Segur, Fallett, Knowlton, (Capt.), Manning, Wymann, Hurd; Quarter-back, King; Half-backs, Stearns, Wallace; Back, Alderman.

Harvard '87 - Rushers, Cushing, Brooks, Higginson, Cochrane, (Capt.), Faulkner, Fiddle, Fletcher; Quarter-back, Willard; Half-backs, Burgess, Peabody; Back, Cowling.

Umpires: For Andover, Mr. Grant; for Harvard, Mr. Fiske.

Referee: Mr. Mason of Harvard.

The playing of the eleven in this game merits the highest praise. Every man of them played well, notably, Knowlton, Wallace, Stearns, and Alderman. For '87, the playing of Burgess, Cochrane, and Cowling was noticeable.

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Alderman vs. Technology '37

32 points to 0 in our favor.

The football team played its first match game on Wed., October 31. Notwithstanding the cold, drizzling rain which fell during the first half hour, the school turned out almost en masse to aid with their presence and cheers. The visitors won the toss and chose the lower side of the field. Play commenced at 3:30, a good rush by Knowlton carried the ball back of Tech's 25-yard-line, and a moment later a punt by Stearns gave the ball to the Techs almost on their own goal line. A pretty rush by Hunt carried the ball back to the center of the field, but Aldin and Sturd quickly returned it, and at 3:35 the Techs made their first safety-touchdown. ~~After the kickoff~~ both sides played rather evenly and made some good passes, until, at 3:45, a good pass by Douglas gave Hyman our first touchdown, from which Aldin speedily kicked a goal.

At the kickoff the Techs tried some "bouncing business," but Knowlton got the ball and scored another touchdown. One of the prettiest rushes ever made on the field. The try-at-goal failed. Inighton made a touchdown at 4:53, after this nothing of interest occurred until 4:10, when Alderman and Wallace gave Knowlton another touch-down. After this the Techs made a brace and forced the ball well up the field; but shortly afterward a rush by Stearns, King and Knowlton secured another touchdown. The try-at-goal failed, but the Techs were forced to make a safety at 4:20. No further points were scored during this half, and time was called at 4:31 with the ball at Tech's 25-yard line.

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RAH! RAH! RAH!

ANDOVER VS. EXETER

Score: 17 points to 6

The annual game of football between our team and Phillips Exeter was played Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> at Exeter. At all times a topic of general interest, and a game that is always awaited with feelings of concern scarcely less than the famous Yale-Princeton has of late years excited on the part of their respective colleges, this year's game was rendered peculiarly uncertain by the loss of three of our best players a week previous to the game, and by the unfortunate combination of circumstances which prevented the team from practicing this week.

That this was not altogether without its effect was shown by the loose playing of the of the team about the middle of the first half, and again at the close of the game when they allowed Exeter her goal. Still the school, as a whole, were confident, although all realizing that the contest would be close and exciting.

At length Tuesday came, and availing themselves of the general permission granted by the faculty, fully 200 fellows boarded the 11:16 train. Exeter was reached a little after 2 p.m., and the scene of last summer's victory was again thronged with Phillipsians. Exeter was also on hand and proved to have a strong, well-balanced team, who exerted themselves to the utmost, and who, when defeated, accepted the inevitable with remarkably good grace.

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The second half opened with some sharp play by the visitors which forced the ball well up into our territory; but good plays by Adams and Wallace, and a long, hard rush by Alderman, won another Touch Down at 4.50. A few minutes later, a Technology man, becoming slightly rattled, carried the ball from the centre of the field nearly to his own goal line. Touchdowns followed at 5.07 by Manning, at 5.10 by Adams, and at 5.12 by King, - from the last of which Adams kicked a goal.

During the few remaining minutes our men played somewhat loosely, until at 5.20. King made the last touchdown of the game. Adams kicked the goal and time was called without further play.

Score, Andover, 3 goals, 6 Touchdowns; Technology, Fresh, 2 safety Touchdowns. Injuries, Mr. Calderwood, Unjuries, for Andover, Mr. Hunt; for Freshmen, Mr. Bates

The teams were as follows:

Andover - Forwards, Adams, Haughton, Jolley, Knapp, (Capt.), Manning, Myron, Sturdt; Quarterback, King; Half-backs, Adams, Wallace; Back, Alderman.  
 Tech. Fresh - Forwards, Cowley (Capt.), Shortall, Malon, Pierce, Todd, Windsor; Quarterback, Douglas; Half-backs, Hunt, Halves; Back, Fletcher.

During the game several Freshmen were injured, but not seriously. The Refereeing was fair and impartial. The playing of our team assured well for our future success.



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the length of the field. When King kicks it, Adlin breaks through and is in warren before he has a chance to recover himself, a good punt by Stearns and a good play by our rushers force Epter to have the ball down just in front of her goal. It is thrown to Harding, but Adlin is on him in an instant and forces him to make a second safety. Time 4:03. After it is kicked, Moulton makes a fine rush but is forced out of bounds, and has it down for Epter near the centre. Our rushers break through and by their fine tackling Epter loses about 20 yards and the ball is down for Andrews. A fine punt by Stearns gives Epter the ball a few feet in front of her goal line. Clement kicks it, but Knoult is on it, and by a beautiful rush slips through their whole eleven, and secures a touch-down of the game, directly behind the goal posts, from which a fine goal is kicked by Adlin. Time 4:05. Epter kicks off, and the ball is down for Epter just below the centre, where time is called for the intermission. Time, 4:08.

The second half of the game saw some brilliant plays on both sides, yet at times there were some ineffectual fumbles, especially during the last part of the game, when the fast falling darkness made it difficult to keep track of the ball. Epter played hard and sharp, but the whole team worked like Trojans; while our team, flushed with the certainty of victory, relaxed their efforts, and almost before we were aware of it, Epter secured a touch-

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 masters get through. Mr. Knowlton gets the  
 ball and runs out of bounds, but keeps on  
 and runs around the goal posts just to encourage  
 Peter a little. The ball is brought back and Warren  
 kicks it and it is returned by Hard, and Harding  
 has it down. Alderman kicks it out of bounds  
 and Peter brings it in 50 yards. This is probably  
 the most exciting part of the first half, and  
 our fellows are playing their best. Alderman makes  
 a fair catch and his kick is returned by Warren.  
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 length of the field. After several downs, Peter has  
 it down out of bounds. Knowlton makes a fine  
 run and carries the ball inside their twenty-  
 five yard line. After some poor kicking by  
 both sides, the ball going out of bounds several  
 times and neither side gaining any advan-  
 tage, it is finally down for a down near the  
 centre. A fine kick by Stearns gives Peter an oppor-  
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 Clement kicks and Peter, following it up, rushes  
 it quite a distance, but is tackled by Alder. Clement  
 again kicks it and Stearns makes a fair catch  
 dangerously near Peter's goal line. Clement again  
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 Clement, and Hard again rushes more than half

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Clement kicks it thru line, and Ward makes a splendid run but is thrown out of bounds. Teams punts it, and it is down for Eeter on their 25 yard line. Now they try some "funny business," but cannot get ahead any, and the ball is given to Andover, after it is down three times in the same place. It is thrown back to Alderman who misses the catch, and has it down, as the Eeter men are close upon him. King makes a long punt which Reynolds catches, and runs a short distance passing it back to Irving, who is suddenly met by Alderman and is forced to make the first safety for Eeter. Time, 3.20. At this point there is some very fine playing on both sides. Eeter kicks the ball out, and it is down for Andover in the centre. Clement gets the ball and makes a fine run, but it is immediately met by Alderman, within our 25 yd. line. Knowlton breaks through before it reaches Parker's back and has the ball down in Andover's third downs. Eeter makes a good run but loses the ball and it is down for Eeter. Clement makes a good run, but again falls into the hands of the wary Alderman. Eeter forces the ball a little further down the field, but Andover gets it down. Alderman kicks it out of bounds, and Eeter has it down at the centre. Reynolds makes a good run, but is tackled so hard that he has to leave and Harding takes his place. Time 3.40. Eeter loses the ball and Andover has it down. Ward punts it

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The names of the players and field were as follows:

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Forwards, - Herrett, Bell, Mould  
Peter and Higgins. '84

Quarterbacks - Clement. Half  
Holden, (Capt.). Back - Irving.

Phillips' Andovers

Forwards, - Adkin, Silverthorn  
Manning, Hyman and Grant.

Half Backs - Stearns and Hurd

Referee, - Phillips, Howard  
Andover's, - Mr. Badger. umpire  
Howard '87.

The game was opened at 3:11  
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returned by Hurd. Holden gets  
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by a fine tackle. After a little  
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line and is <sup>not</sup> stopped until he  
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FOR O. T. D. MOISE, I. A. 1900. The publica-  
tion of the members and seals of the different  
societies existing in the school is a new feature  
and one of interest.

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THE term just commenced commonly passes for the dullest of the year. Coming as it does just between the foot-ball and base-ball seasons, and with none of the excitement and enthusiasm to enliven it which the prospect of a match game always arouses, it is not strange that the familiar round of study and recitation soon degenerates, in common parlance, into a dull term. But yet, for downright hard study, it is the best time in the year, and it is well that we have one term, free from all outside influences, when the student may pursue his studies in undisturbed quiet. We may be mistaken, but we are inclined to think that a remark made by a Senior last year applies, in a measure at least, to a majority of the school, who practice it much more generally than they are willing to own. It was, "I always devote the fall term to getting settled and ready for work; study hard the winter term, and ease off the summer term." The only part of this that we advise our readers to adopt is that regarding the winter term, *i. e.*, study this term as if you meant it. Although, as we said above, it is our private opinion that a respectable number follow out the whole, in which case their term reports are apt to be unsatisfactory.

THE removal of the *Bibliotheca Sacra*, that famous exponent of the orthodox Andover doctrine, from its paternal home to a new field under a new management at Oberlin, simultaneously with the commencement of the *Andover Review*, lends a new aspect to the situation of affairs at the seminary. The retirement of Prof. Parks, the pioneer of the quarterly, is an event to be regretted by theologians generally. A strong and fluent writer, a profound scholar and thinker, and a man of rare genius, he has long been recognized as one of the leading, if not the very greatest, theologian that America has yet produced. Under his fostering care the Andover Seminary gained the place it now holds, and the *Bibliotheca Sacra* has won an enviable reputation in Europe as well as in this country. But, sooner or later, time lays a relentless hand on us all, and Prof. Parks doubtless feels that the time has come when other hands are perhaps better fitted to sustain the care and active work of the post which he has filled so long and so successfully; while he, from his position as associate editor, will still retain a voice in its councils and a share in its fortunes. We understand that the two magazines will in no way conflict with each other, but that each will pursue its own course in its own sphere. The *Andover Review* opens with a vigor that augurs well for its future, and leaves little room for doubt as to the success of the enterprise.

THE columns of the *New York Nation* have recently contained an interesting discussion of the Senior Society System at Yale. The correspondence was begun by a severe attack upon the secret societies by a Yale Senior, who, we understand, graduated at Phillips in the class of '78. This was followed by a number of letters from graduates and members of the college. In all there were nine communications. Of these six were more or less violent in their opposition to the societies, while three took the other side. One of the writers made the somewhat startling assertion that "the Faculty and Corporation, almost to a man, are members of these societies, and are so biased by their fraternal feeling that, in the distribution of honors, they are too often led into doing injustice, to those not of the elect." Of course there could be no defence of the societies from a member. Besides these, two letters appeared from Harvard men, one of them declaring that the state of affairs at Harvard was essentially the same as at Yale, the other replying that it was entirely different. The discussion was finally closed by the editors, who added, with cutting irony, "We must now adjourn the debate to the college press itself, if any exists for the purpose of discussing college realities."

SURELY some notice should be taken of the able manner in which Mr. Merrill has performed his duties as Treasurer of the Football Eleven. It must be remembered that he labored under a great disadvantage in having taken the office from the hands of another, who, though he had canvassed a part of the school, left no records to show who had paid their subscriptions, or even those who had subscribed at all. Of course this state of affairs made it harder than starting anew; but that he did his work faithfully is proved by his report, published in another column, which says that over Thirty Dollars are still in his hands, and every bill is paid. This forms a marked contrast to the manner in which the Athletic seasons generally close, when we have to call school meetings and take up contributions to pay the numerous bills which are handed in against the last nine or eleven. Again we say that Mr. Merrill deserves the thanks of the whole school. May future Treasurers do as well.

IN the *Century Magazine* for July, 1883, were published four letters written by R. W. Emerson to a college classmate, William Withington, at the time a student in Andover Seminary. In one of the letters, dated January 29, 1823, occurs the following graceful reference to the "Red Spring," near Indian Ridge: "Do the Naiads who protect my mineral spring in your woods resign their charge to Jack Frost? I presume you hardly frequent their rustic temple at this season. If when you revisit the woods, you should, perchance, descry the sylvan spirit peeping over her urn, you must present my poetical devotions to the red water lady, and promise my return to the same."

WITH the appearance of Mr. Howard of Boston at the Gym. last Saturday afternoon we may consider the winter course of athletics as opened under the most favorable auspices.

The committee and the students are to be congratulated on being able to secure the services of an instructor and gymnast so well known and so efficient. His easy manner, gentlemanly bearing, and the proofs which he gave of his physical ability, show that he will sustain his reputation in every respect.

The system which Mr. Howard proposes as the best for the school, is that the students should come to the Gym. in two divisions, and that each take its hour of exercise under his supervision, using dumb bells, Indian clubs and pulley weights, with simple exercises on the parallel and horizontal bars. This plan seems convenient and practicable, and we are confident that it will best suit the needs of all, and, in the end, give the best satisfaction.

Let every student who cares for his health and wishes to strengthen himself physically come to the Gym. every night and take regular exercise. If in a short time he does not feel the benefit and pleasure of an hour spent in this way, he will certainly be an exception to the mass of men who have tried this plan and given it their heartiest approval. Surely, with a fine instructor, new apparatus and conveniences, the attendance at the Gym. should be larger than ever before, and the results even more satisfactory than those of previous years.

WE are very sorry to announce the resignation of our associate editor, Mr. A. G. Goodrich, who has been obliged to leave school for a time on account of ill health. He was an able auxiliary to the editorial board, and his absence from the school will be greatly regretted.

WHEN are we going to have our annual Philo entertainment? A committee was appointed to make arrangements for having it last term, but they seem to have taken no action about it as yet. We certainly hope that the projects will not fall through, for it is well known that this is the slowest term of the year, and any sort of an entertainment is acceptable which will afford us a little diversion from our studies during the long evenings before us. Moreover, Philo has justly won the reputation of giving us remarkably fine entertainments, the "Mock Trial" of '82 and "Minstrel Show" last year being especially successful. We hope to be able in our next issue to report that the committee are hard at work preparing an entertainment which will eclipse all former ones.

SINCE the school was founded, and class organizations had any existence in Phillips Academy, it has been the custom for the president of the Senior Classical Class to preside at school meetings. But '84 brings a change; and at a meeting of the two Senior classes it was decided to give the presidency of the school to the Senior English Class for the winter term. This position is now filled by Wyman, who has been elected president of the Senior English and hence president of the school. This is great step in advance for the Scientific Department, but no more than it deserves as it represents fully one thing of the school.

IN response to our call for contributions from candidates for the vacancy on the Edito-

rial Board, we received several communications, but none of sufficient merit to warrant us in choosing an editor. We should like to have a more general competition. Let those who wrote this time try again. Contributions must be in by Saturday next.

A YOUNG man, or lad, cannot be too well prepared for College. Reserved force is needed here, as much as in a steam engine, or any other mechanical appliance. Only the fittest can survive the four years strain which succeeds. Health, and strong and ready powers, and diligent application, and faithful drilling must be had, by him who shall contend, in this war, with incapacity and ignorance.

REPORT OF FOOT-BALL TREASURER.  
SEASON OF 1883.

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| " Amount collected.  |        | 232.50   |
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| EXPENDITURES.  |        |          |
| Oct 23. To trip to Kingston and return,                    | \$4.00 |          |
| 26. " L. C. Dole & Co., for suits,                         | 162.27 |          |
| " " Express,   | .80    |          |
| 29. " Telegraphing,  | 7.50   |          |
| 31. " One half of Technology Fresh. expenses,              | 8.75   |          |
| Nov. 5. " Police Badges,                                   | 1.00   |          |
| 7. " One-half of Harvard Fresh. expenses                   | 5.50   |          |
| 9. " Referee's Books for Team,                             | 2.00   |          |
| 14. " E. J. Sinclair, for supporters,                      | 37.00  |          |
| " " Telegraphing,  | 1.83   |          |
| 16. " Expenses of Team, Substitutes and Referee to Exeter, | 18.70  |          |
| 26. " C. L. Carter, for use of Coach,                      | 12.50  |          |
| " " For work on Campus,                                    | 3.75   |          |
| Dec 6. " J. M. Bradley, for lettering Jerseys,             | 2.25   |          |
| 8. " Expenses of Team to Boston and return,                | 12.65  |          |
| 11. " John Pray for Barge.                                 | 4.00   |          |
| 12. " Telegraphing account of game to paper.               | 2.00   |          |
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This certifies that we have examined the above account with the vouchers and find it correct

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Phillipiana.

A SENIOR'S MORNING SOLILOQUY.

O-h-h-hum!  
I wonder how much time I have to snooze?  
Can I afford to take another nap?  
Bless me, this is pleasant — here in bed —  
Snug and warm beneath the clothes. The wind —  
Old Boreas, of course — is howling round outside.  
Just hear it blow! I'll bet a hat it's cold.  
My fire! Alas! I fear it has gone out.  
But why distract my brain with such a thought?  
I'm warm in here. Then why should I get up?  
The worm was caught by the early bird. And man,  
You know, is a worm. I guess, awhile, I'll make  
Believe that to-morrow night has come.  
This life is hard. Of course it is. O-h-h-dear!  
I wish that dream would come again. What was  
Her name? A pleasant *tête-à-tête* we had, —

I'm sure I wish 'twere real. — We sat alone,  
None else were near, The sofa was not large.  
We talked — at least she did — and I. Enough  
For me to listen. And then — is that the bell?  
It's Chapel, sure. — I'm left, unless I brace.  
No hash for me! And there's that Greek! I'll  
flunk!

So-help-me-bob! At last I'm off! Now pull!  
Oh, Hudson! Pull-till I get there! Another  
Day I'll rise in time. At least that's my intention.

Shauffler, P. A. '82, was in town last week.

Have you commenced writing for the Means?

Biblicals began on Monday the 7th.

Andover streets are as slippery as ever.

Prof. Churchill supplies the Chapel pulpit through January.

The Seniors recite Latin in two divisions, one reading Livy, and the other Ovid.

The classes in French and German have been moved to No. 2.

There are only nineteen young ladies in the two upper classes at Bradford.

The coasting was fine the first part of last week, but the heavy rains soon put a stop to it.

The Seniors cleared eighty dollars from Matthew Arnold's lecture.

The Foot ball pictures are finished, and both positions are very good. All orders may be given to Grant.

When you fall on the ice don't swear, but say a little prayer, — "Now I lay me —"

The officers of Philo for this term are: Pres., Grant; Vice-Pres., Stearns; Sec., Phillips; Treas., Sawyer; Mirror Editors: Osgood, Griffith, Phelan.

The following officers have been elected by Inquiry: Pres., Hudson; Vice-Pres., Goodrich; Sec., Jernegan; Treas., Osborne.

The appointments for Class-Day are as follows: Orator, Paradise; Prophet, Wright; Historian, Vinton; Poet, Sempers.

At last we have a Gym. instructor, and the possibility of bath-rooms in the immediate future. Verily the world moves.

Prof. Dole will be here the 27th, and all who wish to join his class in sparring should give their names at once to Wallace, '84, as the number will be limited.

By a vote of the two Senior classes, the Senior English is to have the Presidency of the School for the winter term.

The editors of the *Mirror* have increased the value of their prizes, and now offer \$6.00 for the best essay, \$4.00 for the second, and publication for the third. Also \$5.00 for the best cut.

Brace up, Athletic Association, and choose your officers for the winter term. We have a splendid instructor in the Gym. and excellent material in the school for getting up a first-class tournament this term.

Following are the officers of the Senior Classical Class for the coming term: President, G. A. Higgins; Vice-President, C. S. Houghton; Secretary and Treasurer, D. S. Merwin.

It is surprising, the number of cases of sickness, sore eyes, &c., that are developed during a two weeks' vacation, and how many more fellows, from purely personal reasons, decide not to come back.

Have you made an appointment to sit for your photo's? If not, do so at once. You will get better pictures, and will be sure to get them in time, if you sit early. You are not obliged to take your pictures until you get ready to pay for them.

We print the Foot-ball Treasurer's report in another place. There have been various suggestions about the surplus, — that it be given to the base-ball team; that it be kept for the next foot-ball team, and that it be added to the Campus Fund.

We would remind the Juniors that there are only four more issues before the selection of a new board of editors, and that, if some one doesn't "brace" pretty soon, '86 will be in danger of being left out in the cold as regards representatives on next year's board. Brace, ye Juniors, brace. Articles may be given to any of the editors.

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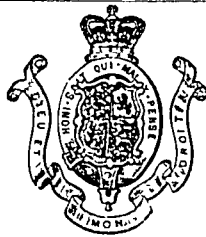
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