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## The Heart.

FROM THE GERMAN OF NEUMANN.

The heart has chambers twain,  
Wherein dwell  
Both Joy and Pain.

While grim Pain soundly sleeps,  
In her turn,  
Bright Joy her vigil keeps.

Ah Joy! great care take,  
Speak softly,  
Lest sleeping Pain awake.

—Ex.

## Amherst Letter.

AMHERST, Nov. 3, 1886.

DEAR EDITORS:—

It is a natural feeling, I suppose, for a son of Phillips to look back to the happy years spent beneath her protecting care, with a feeling akin to regret that they are gone forever. But we must not look back mournfully into the past; it comes not back again. And as I sit alone in my study in a meditative mood, my thoughts wander over the good old times at Phillips, the rushes and the exciting scenes in base and foot-ball.

Thinking you would like to hear from an "Old Boy" I have concluded to pen you a few lines. Amherst opened this Fall with sixty-eight men in the freshman class, an unusually small number, but no doubt they will make it up in quality. We have sailed on quite smoothly thus far except occasionally Old Neptune, instigated by the Sophs., has agitated the quiet surface of the sea. One of these disturbances occurred when we were assembled on the steps of Walker Hall, to have our class picture taken. When we were nearly arranged '89 men came up and informed the photographer we had better not try to have our photo. taken with those canes. Our Douglas blood was up. And the appearance of the whole sophomore class coming down upon us, and stripping off hats, coats, cuffs and collars, made us resolve to do or die. To describe the scene which followed is needless. The Sophs. had the pleasure of crowing over our defeat but "he laughs best who laughs last" for the appearance of another cane in the hands of a Freshman was the signal for another rush to arms; and after a sharp tussle a fleet '90 man made off with the whole cane. Although we were virtually the winners yet woe to that cane seen by a Soph. in the hands of a Freshman.

One of the pleasantest holidays of the Fall term is the Mountain day. It is set

apart to give the students the enjoyment of the beautiful scenery about Amherst. This year the day fell on the 7th of October and "Old Prob." was in the best of humor except for a little haze around the horizon. We started out just after breakfast a party of six, each with lunch in his hand. After walking four miles over a level and dusty road we entered Hadley, famous for its Indian wars in colonial times. It is a quaint and quiet old town, situated in a level plain on a bend of the Connecticut. The storms of many winters long since washed the paint from most of the buildings and everything has so much the air of bygone days that you almost expect to hear the blood curdling war whoop of the savages. But we must hasten on as Mt. Holyoke is only three miles off and we wish to dine upon its summit. After about another hour and a half's travel we have reached the summit and the view more than repays our long and dusty journey. As one has said, "In the view from Mt. Holyoke, the grand and the beautiful are united." Far to the northeast, Greylock lifts its peak, on every side farm houses nestle among the trees clad in their autumnal robes, tall smoking chimneys of manufactories stand here and there like sentinels over the thriving towns gathered around them, and the Connecticut flows peacefully through it all like a silver thread, now disappearing behind some hill and re-appearing far beyond.

After drinking in the beauties of the landscape for about two hours we began the descent. Sometimes we were nearly hurled headlong, so precipitous were the mountain sides and only by clinging to the branches over our heads did we save ourselves. On the way down our party became separated never to meet again on that day. What happened to the other four during the rest of their tramp I cannot say. The remaining two of us after straying through the streets of South Hadley found ourselves turned homeward, where we arrived at 7.30 p. m., tired, hungry, and happy. The incidents of this trip will long be remembered and will furnish food for revery on some stormy evening the coming winter.

Dear reader if you ever come to Amherst in the month of Oct. you could find no greater enjoyment than to take this trip of twenty miles, if you don't feel amply repaid then something is wrong somewhere.

Wishing you all success in your game with Exeter, I remain

"AN OLD BOY."

## Communicated.

To the PHILLIPIAN:

It was a noticeable fact that in the last issue of the PHILLIPIAN little, if anything, was said in praise of the foot-ball team of this year. We lost the Exeter game, and perhaps the majority of the fellows on the eleven did not at first play their usual game, yet I do not think that fifteen minutes after the game had begun there were a dozen fellows who thought that we would win the game. And yet because we lost the game is no reason that the team should not receive the praise which is certainly due it for the earnest work it has done this fall. Five games won out of seven played is certainly not a bad record for the year, especially when the outlook was so dubious at the beginning of the term.

The team has practiced faithfully from the beginning of the season, and great credit is due to it for this. Yet, still greater credit is due to Captain Dennison for the able manner in which he has filled his position, and for his untiring work in behalf of the team. No blame can be attached either to Dennison or to any other member of the team for their work. There was very little material at the beginning of the season with which to form a team, and the first few practice games were almost enough to dishearten the fellows. But Dennison, after his election as captain, started the fellows up, and from that time steady improvement could be noticed. It is not very encouraging to the captain of the team to see in your columns an editorial complimenting the captain of the second eleven upon his work of the season, whereas there is no mention made of the work Captain Dennison has done. Nor is it encouraging to the team to see praise bestowed upon the second eleven when the team proper is so much more deserving. Not but that the second eleven deserves mention, but it is only mention that it deserves when compared with what is due to the team.

The PHILLIPIAN is the school organ and should give the opinion of the school. The voice of the school is that Captain Dennison and the team deserve much praise for the faithful work they have accomplished during the foot-ball season.

[We feel that the above criticism is quite just, our only defence being that the paper was written up directly after the game, and before we had had time to see things in their true light.—ED.]

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ANOTHER organization has appeared among us and we hope has come to stay. We refer to the glee club.

For some time the academy has had nothing that could be called a school glee club for which members were taken from the school at large without class distinctions of any kind, and its place has been taken, as much as possible now and then, by class quartettes or the like. To be sure in the fall of '84 an examination of the school was held and a glee club organized which held one meeting at which its officers were elected. It held another and chose singing books, and then, strange to say, it never met again for any reason whatever but perished then and there, a sad illustration of the saying that "faith without works is dead."

There is now enough material in school to do some very fair singing and we are heartily glad to see a glee club started. Many occasions present themselves during the year when it would come into good use and when a few college songs well rendered would be most acceptably received.

We are told by the leader that there is need of help for the second bass. If there are any fellows in school who sing that part and who would like to be on the glee club they will please speak with Mr. Chandler as soon as possible.

The glee club, we hope will prove a success. Only let the fellows make up their minds to do good, earnest work and it must be a success.

## The Lecture Course.

The seventh lecture of the People's Course, entitled "Women of the Middle Ages," was delivered by Hon. C. B. Rice.

Mr. Rice opened his lecture by locating in history the vague period called the "dark or middle ages." He then described in detail the wretched and comfortless homes of our early ancestors, recounting vividly the hardships and privations they suffered.

He then dwelt on the degraded condition into which society and family life had sunk, especially in regard to the disrespect and brutality exhibited toward women of all classes. The lecturer concluded by comparing our prosperous and peaceable times with the dark and bloody days of old, that seem to us so romantic, but which were in reality continual scenes of crime and bloodshed.

The lecture was enlivened by interesting anecdotes which were humorously told.

## The Glee Club.

When the choir was reorganized early in the term it was understood that from it a glee club would be formed. It was not until several weeks later, however, that a double quartette was chosen which represents the glee club, the names are as follows:

First tenors; Carr, Pool. Second tenors; Carter, G. B. Hollister. First bass; Martin, Perrin. Second bass; Evans, Malone. Although only these eight were chosen, the number is by no means limited and if at any time good singers can be found they will be gladly received.

When the club was organized some weeks since Mr. Perrin was elected president and Mr. Carter treasurer. Since then they have been practicing together twice every week, and, it is hoped, will appear as a pleasant feature in our future entertainments.

## Base Ball.

At the joint meeting of the League and Association committee in Chicago last week the most radical changes were made in the rules which govern our national game. The majority of these changes tended toward decreasing the effectiveness of the pitcher. Five balls and four strikes are now allowed the batsman, and a batsman securing his base on called balls will be credited with a base hit. On the other hand it is not necessary that the catcher catch the fourth strike; no matter what becomes of the ball the batter is out. But this does not prevent a base runner from taking another base if he can. The pitcher's box will measure 5 1-2 instead of 7 feet, and the pitcher must stand facing the batter keeping the ball in front of him. Further the pitcher shall be credited with no assist for striking out a batsman, and no mention of the same shall be made in the summary. The coaching nuisance will be eliminated from the game. But two coaches are allowed, and these are bound down by iron clad rules. Stolen bases will be credited to the players making them. The high and low ball system of delivery is abolished; a ball sent over the plate at any point between a batsman's knee and shoulder will be called a fair ball. Several other changes were made, but these are the most important, and the ones which affect the game as a whole most closely. The effect of these various alterations will be to change the game almost beyond recognition. The excruciatingly funny remarks of the loud mouthed coacher will be heard no more. Spectators will be afforded the opportunity of seeing a little work outside of the battery. The pitcher will henceforth have to abandon the contortion act, and pitch the ball; and his opportunities for grand stand poisoning will be greatly diminished. That overburdened individual the umpire will be relieved of many of his responsibilities. The effect of all this will be watched with great interest by the baseball enthusiast.

## Phillipiana.

Special styles in collars and cuffs at Ray's Private theatricals at the Fem. Sem. last Thursday night.

Professor Churchill will read in the Amherst College course this winter.

J. H. Patterson, P. A. '82, Dartmouth '86, is studying medicine at Lyons, N. Y.

Yale has this fall scored 656 points in football to her opponents 0.—*Yale News*.

Specially men's underwear in silk, lambs wool, balbriggan, cashmere and merino at Ray's.

And now let class foot-ball teams be organized. There will be considerable good foot-ball weather yet.

We predict a rather close struggle if Salem and Abbott streets come together in a foot-ball match.

Owing to the break made by the Thanksgiving recess, the PHILLIPIAN will not be published on the 30th.

Quite a large number of students went to Cambridge last Saturday to witness the Yale-Harvard foot-ball game.

Robert G. Brown, P. A. '82, the famous tennis player of Dartmouth '86, has entered the Columbia School of Mines.

The manuscript had it "kissing sub rosa," but the printer made it "sub nosa." What else could he have done?

Only three more lectures on the People's Course. It wouldn't be a bad plan to have another course this winter.

Those stakes look out of place on the campus, seeing that they were not able to fulfill their mission in a campus fire.

As a result of the late Exeter game one Phillipian is minus a mustache which was his stake in a wager on the outcome of the contest.

The original letter written by Benedict Arnold to the American people in vindication of his character has been found at Kingston, N. Y.

It is about time for the *Exonian* to stop harping on the tennis tournament. Such an allusion as occurred in the late extra we consider small and out of place.

A sealskin sacque for the Bartholdi statue would cost \$275.483; a decent donnet \$11.483, and a pair of shoes \$18.47. Now let the statistical fiend keep away from our sanctum.

Henry A. Homes, LL.D., P. A. '23, librarian of the state library at Albany, has been confined to his house some time by illness, and his permanent recovery is considered doubtful.

Look at them laughing; how happy they seem while they are talking of Andover's team. But wait for the base-ball, 'tis only next Spring, and then they will realize its our time to sing.

The *Exonian* extra is at hand, resplendent with fowls of the air and barn-yard. While the publication shows enterprise, it is not as good, in our estimation, as former extras of the *Exonian*.

The final lecture of the afternoon course will be on Saturday, Dec. 4. Mrs. Annie Sawyer Downs will present her lecture on "Westminster Abbey." The lecture will be illustrated with a stereopticon.

The two senior classes did battle long and fiercely for the foot-ball championship last Friday evening. When time was called the score stood 4 to 4. And now there are chips on the shoulders of each.

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— William Fortnight.

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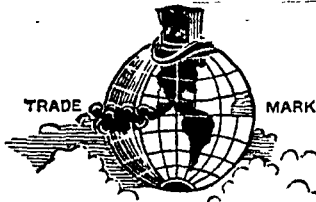
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Phillipiana.

At Ann Arbor the Freshman and Sophomore classes turn out annually and play foot-ball for the class championship. This year there were 148 men on the Freshman team and 82 on the Sophomore team. After a long afternoon struggle, each side had scored one goal, when the game was stopped. It usually takes several days to reach a finish.

"The Country Girl" will be given by the Dramatic association at Princeton, R. E. Speer, '85, ex-P. A. '86, taking the part of "Moody."

The following captains of the Andover foot-ball teams came up to see the Andover-Exeter game, Nov. 13:—'77, F. M. Eaton, M. D., Providence, R. I.; '79, P. T. Nickerson, Boston; '81, S. K. Bremner, Harvard Medical School; '82, F. S. Willy, Boston; '84, '85, W. Odlin, Dartmouth College.

Now that the season of foot-ball has nearly come to an end, the gymnasium has become the principle point of rendezvous; fellows are gradually putting themselves under a daily course of training and development, some of them looking forward to the winter tournament and still others whose aspirations are fixed on a more distant goal. It is evident to a spectator that we have good material in the school, which will compare well with that of last year, and make a good showing in the winter tournament which takes place in March; at present to be sure, it is in a rather crude state, but we are of the opinion that the practice which we shall obtain from now on, will help to raise the standard of school athletics to a high level. The point, however, which we wish to bring, more particularly before the student is the condition of apparatus, and we especially refer to lifting weights. It is shameful, to say the least, that not one of this kind of apparatus is in proper condition; either one connecting rope is too long or another broken and tied together, while in many instances pieces of board which belong to these pulley-weights are missing and cannot be found.

The Yale News of Nov. 16 gives a list of the different college periodicals which have been published from time to time by the college. Their number is shown to be greater than that of any other American University; their names are as follows: *The Cabinet, The Athenaeum, Palladium, Microscope, Crayon, Sitting Room, Students Companion, Little Gentlemen, Gridiron, Medley*, and in 1836 *The Yale Literary Magazine*, founded by members of the class of '37, among whom was Senator Evarts, of New York. It is the oldest and one of the very best college publications of the day. Then followed the *Literary Quindnunc, Collegian, Review*, and the *University Quarterly*, these, however, were but short lived. In 1841 and 1855 the *Banner* and *Pot-Purri* were started and are still published.

Then followed seven papers, *The College Cricket, City of Elms, Gullinipper, Hornet, Banger, Tomahawk, and Battery*, all of which soon suspended. Later in 1865 the *Courant* first appeared and eight years after the *Record* was published. The *Quip*, an illustrated monthly appeared but three times and was then abandoned. The *News* after an existence of ten years is still in prosperous condition.

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