

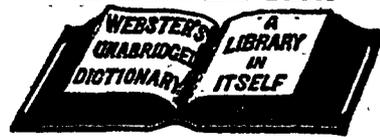
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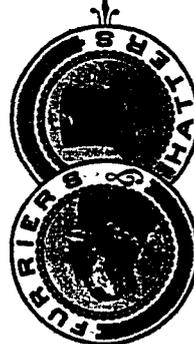
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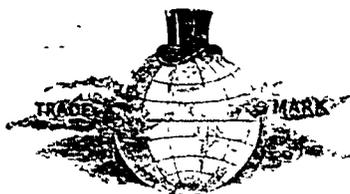
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Dr. Northrop's Lecture.

The lecture on "Memory," given in the Academy Hall last Friday evening by Dr. Northrop, was fairly well attended by the people of Andover, but especially so by the Academy boys. As Miss McKean desired that the members of Abbot Academy should also hear the lecture, and it seemed unnecessary to have it delivered twice in Andover, our Faculty thought best to make arrangements whereby all might hear it at the same time. Notwithstanding, the attendance of young ladies from the Fem. Sem. was very poor; there being not enough to fill the seats reserved for them.

The speaker was introduced in a few words by Professor Coy, a few minutes after the time set, and for an hour or more entertained his audience with a lecture which, though not following any special line of argument, was interesting, and contained several amusing illustrations of certain points in the discourse, and wound up with a good practical talk on how the memory may best be improved. The lecturer spoke of memory as being capable of the highest cultivation of all the faculties of the mind; and, of course, as being especially impressionable in early youth, when more of detail can be remembered. He gave as an illustration a reminiscence of a legislator, who having spent an hour or more in preparing sums on paper, brought them with him to a school exhibition, and tried to catch the class with them, but was himself caught in his own trap, through having worked an example wrong which the class mentally worked correctly.

Dr. Northrop considers language the chief educator; and as it is most easily acquired in youth (which is proved by

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the facility with which young foreigners brought up in this country learn to speak English fluently, and *vice versa*). he strongly recommends the habit of fast reading, because it not only increases one's vocabulary, but also quickness of thought and perception; which is seen in the readiness with which proof-readers detect the slightest error in spelling or punctuation. He also thinks that proficiency in the use of one's own language is superior to any other accomplishment, and that in all languages the adjective is the most graphic part of speech. He gave as an example of the excessive and inappropriate use of adjectives an amusing incident of a party of girls from a fashionable boarding-school, with whom everything was "perfectly splendid." And so fixed had the habit become that one of them, when offered five dollars if she could refrain from using the expression for a certain length of time, declared that the only way she could win it was by keeping still; but even then she lost it, through the admiration excited by some "splendid" West Point cadets.

As regards mnemonics, Dr. Northrop is inclined to think that as a general rule there is more cramming than anything else in them; and hence they do not furnish good mental discipline, which is more to be desired in youth than furniture for the mind. Whatever disciplines the mind fits it for retaining knowledge.

As a means of training the memory, Dr. Northrop suggests developing the senses as much as possible; looking at words, for instance, so intently as to impress their appearance so ineffaceably on the retina that it will be unnecessary to look at them a second time. Many artists paint from memory alone the scenes which have at some time so impressed the retina as to be remembered even in detail.

As regards the greatest obstacle to most students,—namely, the tendency of the mind to wander when studying,—the best remedy is the exertion of that regal faculty of the mind, the will. To fasten the mind on one subject is almost the hardest thing to do, and it is in a great measure the chief end of education. The foundation of all culture is the command

of the faculties; and the ability to fix one's mind absolutely upon one subject for a length of time is the secret of intellectual power.

Dr. Northrop considers the life of a student to be one of the healthiest of occupations; and as a rule the best scholars are the healthiest. In this connection he strongly recommends walking, sitting and carrying one's self erect, at all times and in all places, as one of the best means of preserving the health.

Returning to the subject, the speaker said that many people think there is danger of taxing the memory; but such is not the case. The capacity of the memory is practically limitless; yet at the same time no faculty is impaired so quickly by neglect or misuse. Get into the habit of *trusting* the memory, and it will rarely fail you.

The address, which was enjoyable and instructive to all who heard it, was closed shortly after nine o'clock. The lecture itself was excellent, though perhaps not quite so concise and relevant to the main subject at every point as one would have preferred.

Prof. John Clarkson, who has won a world-wide fame as pitcher of the Boston base-ball nine, has taken his place, it is announced, in the Faculty of Harvard University, and will devote himself for the next few months to teaching the youth of that venerable institution of learning how to play base-ball as well as the art is practised in New Haven or Princeton.—*New York Tribune*.

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The eyes of every one from now will be directed towards the different baseball teams and their prospects for the coming season. The general source of information on this subject is the college papers; and their columns will be eagerly read by enthusiasts who wish to keep posted on base-ball matters. The unsuspecting readers may flatter themselves that they know something about these things; but a piece of good advice is, to read everything very carefully, and then wait until next spring, when the season has fairly opened, and see what happens then. The truth of the matter is, that the captains of the teams themselves do not know who will be on their teams or what they can do. The newspaper men may offer predictions on this matter; but every one will know about the teams and what success they will meet with in the spring, and not much before then.

It was not without a little pleasure that we read in one of the recent editions of the *Crimson* an editorial, couched in gentlemanly and dignified terms, replying to the malicious, senseless and uncalled-for attacks made on Harvard by the *Columbia Spectator*. It is difficult to see what the object of the *Spectator* can be in pursuing its present unjustifiable course. Its columns are filled up every time it appears with an abominable mess of matter, that seems to be the joint production of envy, malice, and meanness; and a person with a healthy mind, after reading it through, lays it down asking himself what poison can be in the air of Columbia to so warp the minds of the men who are the editors of the college paper.

Philo.

The meeting which had been postponed from Friday was held Monday 21st. The President made his appearance a few minutes late and Mr. Williams led in prayer. The critique was then read by Mr. Holbrook, Mr. Bishop's substitute. He amused the audience with a comic description of the physical and mental bearing of the speakers at the last meeting. Mr. Dickson spoke extempore on the subject "President Harrison." Third editor Moore then treated us to a well prepared essay on Aaron Burr. Depicting the times he lived in, the events which moulded his character; he then read a few jokes which were thoroughly appreciated by those present. Mr. Duley declaimed, taking as his subject a passage from Robespierre's life. His gestures and expression aroused the interest of the audience to a well-delivered declamation. This was the most interesting feature of the evening. On Messrs. Ellsworth and Hassenzahl being called upon to lead the two factions, Messrs. Ames and Williams were respectively substituted. Mr. Ames opened the affirmative, and Mr. Williams the negative, on the question, resolved that "Congress should pass an international copyright law." Both men read extracts from books and were wanting in originality in their arguments. To aid the affirmative Messrs. T. Eaton, A. B. Turner and S. Yardley were appointed, and on the negative Messrs. Cummings, T. B. Turner and Parker. The speakers from the house in the affirmative were Bartlett and Duley, the latter, as usual, bright in politics. On the negative, Messrs. Mayers, R. E. Holbrook, Moore and Snell. Throughout the meeting there was a tendency to reiterate arguments already put forth. The President gave decision in favor of the affirmative on account of the contradictory remarks on the negative. Votes before the discussion, affirmative 22, negative 2. After discussion, affirmative 21, negative 9. The Treasurer and Secretary read reports for the last term, and a vote of thanks was extended to each. In absence of the Vice-president, Mr. Yardley did his duty. A topic for regular meeting was chosen. Mr. Duley who was called upon had done nothing towards obtaining a file for the *Nation* as he had received no money or instructions for doing so.

Chemistry as a College Study.

The *Crimson* last Saturday published a short article, based on some remarks of Prof. Cooke of that university, which is very interesting as showing the growth of the study of chemistry in colleges, and indirectly drawing the attention of the reader to the increase during the last half century of the number of subjects that are included in the regular college courses. Prof. Cooke gave the first lecture to the first class in chemistry

known in any college in America. This was in 1849, and President Eliot was a member of the class. The accommodations for the work were very limited, and the apparatus was of a crude nature, being that with which Prof. Cooke had commenced his studies in chemistry when a boy. For ten years the entire department was confined to small rooms in the university, with a laboratory in the cellars underneath. In 1849, however, the growth of the interest in the study had been so great that sufficient money was raised to build Boylston Hall, with a seating capacity of two hundred. This hall was supposed to be large enough to furnish ample room for any classes that might come during the next fifty years. But it is said that the accommodations are utterly inadequate for the present needs, and various plans are being devised for increasing the room. Prof. Cooke wishes to build an addition to the Agassiz Museum for the mineralogical collection, which is one of the best in the country, and then refit Boylston Hall, which could be made to accommodate five hundred men.

Inquiry.

The subject for Inquiry to-night will be, "Why should I testify," Matt. x. 32. Leader, Parker. A large attendance is desired.

Class Photographs.

Every year it is customary for the Seniors and others who desire photographs to put it off till May or June. Thus they inconvenience the photographer, and as at that time there is always a rush, do not get their photographs for three or four weeks. '89 appointed Notman, 3 Park St., Boston, as class photographer, about the first of October; but as yet only very few have made appointments. He has reserved from 2 till four o'clock every Saturday afternoon, and would be much obliged if all who intend to have sittings would make their appointments as soon as possible. They will get their work quicker, and it will be better than if done when there is a rush. Mr. Barbour, of the Senior English class, will make all appointments for this term.

College Items.

The Senior class at Yale are to have a heliotype album containing the pictures of all the men in the class and also the Faculty. The price will be \$25.00 for each album.

Sherril, Yale's great sprinter, has had such a dangerous sickness that it is thought he will have to give up rowing for the future.

Yale athletes are going to have a big dinner at Delmonico's, Feb. 16, to celebrate the many victories that Yale has won during the last few years.

Communication.

To Editors of *Phillipian*:

DEAR SIR: It was to have been hoped that the problem of board for men in Commons had at last been solved to the satisfaction of all parties. The little episode of Sunday morning, however, proves the contrary, and should not be passed over in silence. Although I was not a prominent actor in the drama, and fortunately have never suffered a like experience, yet it is but just to those who were concerned in it, and to us who may be concerned in a like one in future, to comment on this, and to ward off the possibility of its repetition.

One of the fellows was a new man, and could not go by precedent, but would be supposed to go by the rules of the house. "Breakfast from 8.30 to 9.15," read these rules. Now, would any one take this to mean that a fellow coming in at 9.5 would be shown the door without even a ten-minutes breakfast, or told, with an emphatic wave of the hand, that the door was shut? And when remonstrating, on the ground that it was not 9.15, would he be told that there were one hundred and twelve boarders, he was not needed, he could board somewhere else if he was not satisfied? And then to be followed into the ante-room by a great man, and told that it was needless to discuss the matter, while he goes on discussing it to the best of his ability himself. And when the new man tells him that he sees nothing in the rules and regulations of the Commons Dining Hall to justify sending him off without his breakfast, he is asked if he is not satisfied; and when he replies that he is not fully satisfied, is told that he had better go to the Faculty and tell them that he (the big man) is willing for them (the Faculty) to let him board somewhere else; as if that would satisfy his hunger or justify any of the outrageous proceedings. And then, again, he is told that the Faculty wish the waiters to get through in time for prayers, which begin on Sunday morning at 10.30. Very inefficient tools must be furnished the waiters, if it takes them an hour and a quarter to slick up their tables.

But to cap the climax, one of them was told that he had bragged of getting ahead of the large man, but he would not do it again, and if he did he had better keep his mouth shut. The reason is plain why that man lost his breakfast. The fellow denied it, and asked that the four witnesses be named who he said had given the evidence, that he might deny it to their faces. But no names were given.

Surely the matter needs attention, and a scheme of opposition must be introduced. Another boarding house should be allowed the Commons, or they should start a club of their own. The Faculty have no right, by any or all laws of justice, to make men board at a place which can be run for its own

benefit alone. If a man is pushed from the boarding house (since no other is open to roomers in Commons) he is pushed from school by a hotel proprietor.
EVA Q. Q.

To the *Phillipian*:

Although I do not think the columns of the *PHILLIPIAN* is the place to make complaints about private affairs, or a boarding house, yet when one third of the school is interested, and that third, with few exceptions is compelled to board there by the regulations of the school, the matter ceases to be private.

The manner in which the Commons Dining Hall is managed is becoming unbearable. In direct opposition to their own rules (?), one of which is, "Breakfast Sunday morning served from 8.30-9.15." The door of late has been closed at 9.05, and students insultingly requested to retire, with such language as "We have one hundred and twelve boarding here we don't depend on you."

In this is seen the unfairness of having but one boarding house for Commons and others, who wish to cut down expense. Further one hundred and twelve is too many to board at one house, for the reason that the food has to be prepared in such large quantities that it not thoroughly cooked, whereas, if there were two boarding houses, some rivalry could exist which would dispense with much uncalled for overbearing, and secure better board, and not be as it now is a money making affair of which the present incumbent has made the wager that "he is making more money now than ever before."

Hoping I have not taken too much space and that the faculty will right the matter,

I remain

X.

The Fire Engine Company.

Last year this little-used but important factor in our school had but one good test, i.e. the Mansion House fire; where by playing on the roof of the Brick House and on the Mansion House stables, it probably saved those buildings. This year we have been out several times, but have not had occasion to take an active part in any fire. The foreman, Mr. Morgan, and several of his subordinates of last year are serving on this year's force; but there are many new fellows in school who have no idea how the thing works; and in case of a fire these fellows, whose services would be needed, would, on the contrary, be in the way. The purpose of this article is not to find fault with the foreman, but to suggest to him the propriety of calling out the men some Wednesday or Saturday afternoon, instructing them how to use the engine and seeing how far and with what force a stream can be thrown.

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The Middle class in German has finished "Das Wasser der Jugend," and commenced "Ranunkulus."

The tickets for the Clapp lectures will be on sale soon. The course is being managed by a lady in town.

Frank Dole was unable to meet his pupils last Saturday on account of sickness, being generally broken up.

A man called at "Chap's" a few days ago who kept the place in '62. He went from here to the war, and sold the place.

The ice on the meadow in the rear of the gymnasium was in fine condition for skating on Sunday afternoon, but cannot be used now on account of the snow.

Judge Poor recently fined an Andover man \$75.00 and costs for keeping a liquor nuisance. Rumsellers will soon find out that the people of Andover are bound to enforce the laws.

The new Grammar School building, on Bartlet St., costing \$20,000, has just been completed, and is now occupied. This school building will compare favorably with any other in this section of the state. Andover is a great place for schools.

Monday of this week a few changes were made in the Boston and Maine time-table; the ones affecting Andover being the 9.47 A.M. for Boston, and the 3.20 P.M. from Boston. The train for Manchester, N.H., will leave Andover at 4 o'clock, instead of 3.

In speaking of the list of those putting down their names for the Clapp lectures, the other morning, Prof. Comstock was led to speak a few words in the class-room concerning the foot-ball subscriptions. His sharp criticism of non-payers was heartily appreciated by those who heard him.

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The Y.M.C.A. have obtained their topic cards.

The Middlers are now reading "La Joie Fait Peur," by Emile De Girardin.

A series of lectures by Mrs. Downs on English Churches was commenced last night at the Fem. Sem.

The Yale Andover Club will give their annual banquet. It will be held at Redcliff's as usual. Tickets, \$3.00.

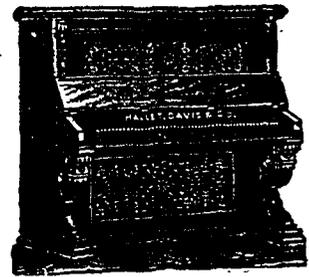
Coasting was indulged in Tuesday for the first time this winter, with the exception of one or two attempts in December.

Specimen cups were received yesterday for approval by the Secretary of the Athletic Association, and it is likely that cups will be awarded this year to winners, instead of medals.

The statement in our last issue that Hollister and Parker, P.A. '88 men, were trying for the Freshman ball team at Yale was incorrect. The two men in question are B. P. Hollister and L. R. Parker.

L. Mowry, ex-P.S. '89, Princeton '92, was in Andover Saturday and Sunday. He likes Princeton very much, and is looking well, although still suffering from the injury he received last season in foot-ball.

William Blakie, the author of "How to Get Strong," in a recent lecture thus contrasts Thomas A. Edison and John Ericsson, both inventors, the one 42 years of age, the other just double that age: "Edison never takes any exercise, and breathes comparatively little fresh air. Ericsson has a gymnasium fitted up in his house, and takes regular exercise every day. Edison is almost totally deaf, is pale of face, and stoops. Ericsson has all his organs in their early perfection, is ruddy of face, and straight as an arrow. Only recently, in a trial of strength, he outstripped two young men in their twenties."



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The New York girl bows her stately head
And she fixes her stylish lips
In a firm, hard way, and lets them go
In spasmodic little snips.

The Boston girl removeth her specs,
And freezeth her face with a smile:
Then she sticks out her lips like an open book,
And she cheweth a bean meanwhile.

The St. Louis girl never says a word,
And you'd think she was rather tame,
With her practical views of the matter in hand,
But she gets there all the same.

The Baltimore girl, the pride of the South,
In her clinging and soulful way,
Absorbs it all with a yearful yearn.
As big as a bale of hay.

The Chicago girl gets a grip on herself,
As she carefully takes off her hat;
Then she grabs up the prize in a frenzied way,
Like a terrier shaking a rat.

The Washington girl, so gentle and sweet,
Lets her lips meet the coming kiss
With a rapturous warmth, and the youthful
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Float away on a sea of bliss.—Er.

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