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Communications.

Editors of The Phillipian:

The condition of the balls and pins in the bowling alley is disgraceful. Many of the balls have large pieces broken off, and almost all are more or less cracked. This renders accurate bowling almost impossible. The condition of the pins is little better, many of them being split, and some almost unable to stand. The alleys are in fairly good condition, and need very little repairing. As there is considerable interest taken in bowling this term, the alleys being in almost constant use, it would add still more interest to this form of exercise if new balls and pins could be procured at once. If necessary, the school might take some steps toward replacing them and making the best arrangements possible for bowlers. If a collection should be taken in the school the expense could be easily met, and the necessary improvements and purchases made.

BOWLER.

Editors of the Phillipian:

Now that a competent instructor has been secured, and regular work begun in the gymnasium, may we not also have another much needed improvement,—the proper heating of the gymnasium building? True, the means are rather insufficient, especially with the north door opening direct to the inside of the building, yet if proper care were taken the up-stairs room might at least be kept at a higher temperature.

At present it is a perilous risk of health to exercise there, and still more so to make the change from gymnasium suits to regular clothing in the comfortable(?) dressing room. May we not hope to have this remedied at once?

GYM.

Editors of The Phillipian:

Until recently the reading room committee has rendered such good service that no criticism was possible, but now there is a great falling-off. Often the room is cold, and during this week the door to the room has been entirely off the hinges. This state of things should not exist. A constant oversight of the room should be observed by the committee, for in this only can they render the best service.

A READER.

Editors of The Phillipian:

What has become of the striking bag at the gym? If it is entirely destroyed why not have another? The apparatus are poor enough now without allowing them to run down, and as the bag was often used, it ought to be replaced.

Philo Senate.

The meeting was called to order with Pres. Archbald in the chair. Prayer was offered by Torrey. Under the head of miscellaneous business, C. A. Brown, Davis, Canfield and Brubacher were invited to join the society.

Mr. Weyerhaeuser then stated what the committee on the literary magazine had accomplished, and named the conditions suggested by the faculty; as a result of his statement, it was voted, subject to the sanction of the school, that the school, starting next term, should begin to publish a literary monthly, the editors being elected by the school; that Philo should continue to publish the *Mirror* as an annual; that if the literary monthly were not published at least six times a year the management would revert to Philo and the *Mirror* would then become a term magazine again.

Philo then adjourned and the senate convened. After the roll-call and reading of the journal of the previous meeting, a message from the President was read and accepted, senators were then elected to fill the vacancies of the senate, and the bill declaring war against Chili was introduced and discussed. P. R. Lester, B. M. Bester, McDonald, and Mack

spoke favoring war; Bennett, Branch, Hildreth, Duffy, Grilk, and Kitchel spoke against it. The house passed the bill and the senate was adjourned.

The meeting was the best that has yet been held by the senate and was well attended.

New Literary Society.

The second regular meeting of the new society was opened with prayer by Howe; and when miscellaneous business was called for, on motion of Parker seconded by Lewis, the executive committee was authorized to purchase all stationery necessary for the present term.

The criticism of the previous meeting was read by Terrill. He was followed by Howe, who gave a select reading from "Bill Nye." He read in an interesting manner, and the audi-

ence greatly enjoyed it. The debate, on the question, Resolved: "That the social conditions of our country are a greater menace to its welfare than the political conditions," was next on the programme, and was led on the affirmative by Parker, on the negative by Gwillow. The leaders spoke very briefly, and the assistants, Webb on the affirmative and Farmer on the negative, followed closely the example given them by the leaders. From the house, Skerrye spoke on the affirmative and Wreer on the negative. The vote before debate: affirmative 11, negative 2; after debate, affirmative 6, negative 5. The President after reviewing carefully the speeches made gave his decision in favor of the leader of the negative. The debate although interesting throughout, showed lack of preparation. Before the close of the debate, by consent of the society, Hoffman gave the best speech of the evening on the question under consideration. After appointment of parts, the meeting was adjourned on motion of Webb seconded by Lewis.

On Teaching the Effective use of English.

No accomplishment excels a thorough mastery of English. Those who have acquired it are the most cultivated, scholarly men and women of our age. This superiority frequently passes unnoticed; for it has a certain subtle quality like the delicate odor of roses. On reading or listening to the best English, we never think of the form of expression; and not till afterward, when the clearness of our conception reveals itself, do we notice the beauty and the appropriateness of the language. To use English appropriately, elegantly and forcibly, implies not only a thorough knowledge of the language itself, but also a broad culture. It implies both connected, logical thought, and the ability to clothe the thought grammatically, rhetorically, and connectedly, in fit language.

The power to use the English language perfectly cannot be attained in the early years of life. It comes only with mature discipline and ripe scholarship. But the power to use the English language well, that is, to employ the language appropriate to the degree of advancement in thought and culture, to suit the expression to the thought and the thought to the expression, in all the elegance of the simplicity of our noble tongue, should be trained simultaneously with the de-

veloping faculties of a child. And if this development is natural and correct, nothing once learned will ever need to be unlearned.

The mastery of English must be sought indirectly and by successive easy steps, and not at one bound; but the aim should always be toward this end. For what the pupil can express is the only sure index of his progress and thought. Language is first learned through the ear, and used orally and unconsciously by a child, just as he breathes. The child imitates. If the language of those about him is correct, his will be correct. The child must be taught, from his first entrance at school, to speak correctly; not by precept, but by example. He need not at first be told why one form is correct and another incorrect; but keeping his attention upon what he really wishes to say, the teacher should tell him how to say it properly—in good colloquial, every-day English. No bad language should be allowed to go uncorrected. It should not be emphasized; it should be thrown aside at once, and the right expression should be substituted and impressed upon the mind. New ideas should be awakened by the teacher and expressed appropriately, with the teacher's aid if necessary. This is a large and ever-present task in school—in all schools from the first to the last. Sometimes the thought suggests the expression, and sometimes the expression suggests the thought; but they should never be separated. One of the greatest faults in the teaching of language is that speech is allowed to be used without reference to the ideas which it should convey. Expression should not be stimulated beyond the thought to be expressed; but it should always accompany the thought. In the early stages of studying language in this form, the first object is to apprehend the thought; the second, to give it vocal expression in the language of the author; and the third, to express the thought in one's own language.—*Prof. Albert P. Marble in the Educational Review for January.*

The Singing Class.

As yet, little can be said about the prospects of the Singing Class, but judging from the interest taken in it by so many fellows, and by the leader, Mr. Bowers of Boston, we may well look forward to a good and well-trained class. The class already has a membership of more than thirty, and there is no reason why it should not be doubled before the end of the month. Mr. Bowers meets the class every Tuesday evening at 6-45 o'clock in Bartlett Chapel, and for more than an hour the fellows have the benefit of his instruction. Considerable interest is taken in this line of work, yet not near so much as there ought to be.

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We call the attention of the students to the notice of the singing class printed elsewhere. This opportunity for vocal culture should not be overlooked nor neglected. From the singing in morning chapel it is evident that there is room for culture and development in this respect, for it is seldom that more than one-fourth of the fellows take any part in that exercise. The instructor secured for this year, Mr. Brown, is a man of considerable ability and experience, so that the instruction will be of the best. We believe there is still an opportunity for those who wish to join, and we urge everyone who can to make the most of this privilege.

The faculty have again acted very generously in procuring the services of Mr. W. W. Ranney of the Theological Seminary to give athletic instruction in the Academy gymnasium. This has been needed for some time, and we urge every fellow to take advantage of such an opportunity for systematic drill in general in-door athletics. Mr. Ranney is a graduate of Williams, where, during his senior year, and for several years after his graduation, he held the position of athletic instructor, and so is thoroughly prepared for this undertaking. He will tell the students what sort of exercise each one needs, and will also train fellows for the tournament. He may be found in the Gymnasium on Tuesdays and Thursdays after 4.30, and on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 4 to 6.

The communications about improvements in the gymnasium speak for themselves, and, as is seen, contain requests that demand immediate attention. It is especially so in regard to the request of the communication signed "Gym", which voices the opin-

ion of the increasing number of students, who are availing themselves of the opportunity afforded for systematic exercise. If the request can be granted soon it will add much to the profit gained from such exercise, as well as comfort to all who frequent the gymnasium.

The Chess Challenge Cup.

The intercollegiate chess cup, to be competed for by Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and Columbia, is to be presented by alumni of those colleges. The details of the proposed tournament are not yet completed, but an outline has been submitted to the chess clubs of the different colleges for their approval. It is proposed that the tournament be held publicly in New York during the winter vacation, and each college is to have three representatives. The receipts from the tournament, after paying necessary expenses and providing medals for the winners, are to be divided among the clubs, and if the cup remains in the possession of one club for ten successive years it will become its property. These rules are to remain in force for five years, after which the management of the tournament will be in the hands of a committee of graduates of the colleges in the contest.

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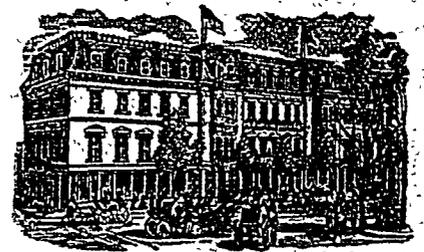
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The Glee and Banjo Clubs were photographed in Boston, Wednesday.
Kaven, ex-P.A. '91, H.U. '95, is a candidate for the Freshman crew.
A new department of electricity has been established at Wesleyan.
A new athletic house is to be erected on the Princeton field.
Columbia will probably not put a 'Varsity crew on the water this season.
The "Sequoia" is the name of the organ representing the associated students of the Leland Stanford Jr. University.
The junior class at Columbia has translated the Declaration of Independence into Hebrew and published it in book form.

Cornell ball-nine is under the direction of Harry Thompson, captain of the Louisville professionals, and a senior in their law school.

Fred C. Walcott of New York City, N. Y., P.A. '87, Yale '91, is making a tour around the world. A recent number of the *Utica Daily Press* contains extracts from letters written by him to friends at home, not intended for publication, but full of interest to the larger public. Last month he was at Bombay.

By the death of Mrs. Sarah A. Dowe of South Natick, the trustees of Phillips Academy have come into possession of three thousand dollars, bequeathed to found a scholarship in the Academy by Mr. Joseph A. Dowe, a student in 1817, and who died in 1873.

The *Harvard Crimson* says, "About thirty candidates are now at work for the Exeter nine. The men, on the whole, are very promising and the chances are that the nine will be a good one."

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Three new shells and a barge are being built for the Harvard navy.
Columbia will probably not put a crew on the water this season.
Amherst is about to add a new field of twelve acres to her campus.
Eighty-five men have offered themselves as candidates for the Yale Mott Haven team.

During the last of this month the alumni of Yale, Harvard, Williams, Dartmouth, Amherst and Brown are going to start a university club in Boston.

Cornell gives free tuition to 512 undergraduates every year. This represents an annual gift of \$57,000.

A catalogue of the Leland Stanford University shows a total of 440 students, 90 of whom are women.

Edward David, P.S. '78, of Cheyenne, Wyoming, was in town with his wife on Wednesday. He is engaged in the cattle business.

Harvard recently received \$40,000 from the late Dr. Buckminster to found a professorship of orthopedic surgery. \$2,000 was also left for The Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the department of architecture.

Geo. F. Root, P.S. '35, J. McGregor Adams, P.A. '61, Leslie Lewis, '62, Victor Lawson, '71, Hampstead Washburn, '71, A. W. Cole, '73, Clarence Buckingham, '73, A. C. Battelle, '82, and Charles S. Thompson, '83, all of Chicago; have united in calling a preliminary meeting, looking to the organization of a Chicago Alumni Association of Phillips Andover Academy.

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University Athletic Club.

In response to a call issued by Messrs. Geo. A. Adee, Chas. F. Mathewson and other prominent college graduates, Delmonico's restaurant was crowded with college men, Thursday afternoon, Jan. 14. The purpose of the convention was to form an association which will be known as the University Athletic Club. Conspicuous among those present were Howard H. Taylor, the tennis player; Wyllys Tefry, of foot-ball renown; Wendell Baker, the sprinter; Geo. Walton Green, Hon. H. L. Lee, Geo. A. Adee, W. W. Wiles, Jr., Evert Jansen, Wendell, Henry Stanford Brooks, Tracy H. Harris, Howard P. Knapp, Henry Howland and W. Percy Knapp. W. H. L. Lee was nominated for temporary chairman, and C. F. Mathewson for secretary, and they were elected by a unanimous vote. Mr. Lee made a short speech, stating that the principal object of the meeting was to form an athletic club of college men that should be free from the objectionable features of professionalism. Mr.

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The membership is limited to 1000. There seems to be a unity of feeling that there is a need for such an organization and the prominent college athletes are doing all in their power to promote its success. The only feature that meets objection and lack of support is that the power of the council is absolute.

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