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"How to Study."

On Wednesday evening President Hyde of Bowdoin College gave the second lecture in the course which has been arranged by Forum, on "How to Study." The speaker was listened to intently, because each fellow realized how just the attack upon the student-body was, and how much we needed the advice given.

To get the greatest benefit from our study three things are absolutely essential; active study, thoughtful study and conscientious study. Active study is that which attacks a lesson vigorously, begins early, and struggles through till the task is finished. One of the most important things we, as students, have to learn is concentration of mind. Time is valuable. The man who in later life can devote two hours or even one to private study is considered fortunate. What we, if we wish success in life, must do is to learn how to employ to advantage the odds and ends of time, and our daily routine of study offers us a grand opportunity for this concentration. Years of training are required for the realization of this aim, but perseverance will bring it about.

In addition to active study, thoughtful study is to be taken into consideration. As is well known, a truly educated man is not a book-worm, but a thinker. So we must combine careful thought with our work. The power of taking in hand a difficult subject and separating it into its main divisions and mastering its details one by one is an attainment of incalculable value in our life struggle. The value of the classics and of mathematics lies in the fact that every step taken in them must be after some previous thought. The secret of Daniel Webster's wonderful power was his ability to bring together well-known facts into one consistent line of argument. We must have our knowledge well arranged in our minds if we desire to make any use of it. The world asks not how much we know but how much can we do.

The last but perhaps the most important point to be considered in this subject is conscientious study, for if a fellow has the will and the longing to get an education, other things will follow. A well-known proverb says, "Right is finite; wrong is infinite." That is, there are many easy ways to find wrong, but the path to right is a narrow one. The fellow who neglects

preparing a lesson because he thinks he will not be called on will, in later years, lie, if he thinks he will not be found out. Daily lessons determine moral character. He is a fool who, after having expended considerable money toward his education, and having the best of advantages placed before him, slides along with the aid of "trots," and thus deprives himself of much. Have such a perfect reckoning with conscience that you shall not be afraid to have the world see what you are. Call out all your enthusiasm and power of mind on the subject at hand. All the world's greatest men have been true to their purpose.

In proportion to their far better equipment, the academies are not sending forth to-day the men they should. The reason is lack of purpose and wrong methods of study. The fault lies not so much with the teachers as with the students themselves.

Abbot Academy Piano Recital.

The first piano recital of the season under the auspices of Abbot Academy was given in the November Club House on Thursday afternoon, by Mr. Louis C. Elson, and was in the form of a lecture recital upon "Seven Centuries of English Song."

This led one back to the earliest music sent down to our age, which breathed the old Anglo-Saxon spirit of liveliness, hardiness, and contentment. Almost every song was written in a major key, signifying the above characteristics, together with a feeling of joyfulness, ease, and satisfaction. Ballads, stories of love, brave deeds, and sometimes tragic events, were written and admirably expressed in the music of this early age. The Maid of Islington and The Jew's Daughter are good types of this period, the former a simple love story, very pleasing and inclining a little toward the witty, and the latter based upon the murder of a boy by the Jews.

But besides ballads, psalms and sacred music were written, chiefly by the monks. These pieces were played upon organs in all probability, for their extreme simpleness and the easiness of their accompaniments were required by the organ of that time. It had no key-board as we know one, but instead of pressing a key with one's finger, they used their whole hand, or when they became tired their elbow. Up to the time of Henry VIII English music

was improving and showed much art, but this king on his return from France brought over its poorer and lighter music with him to the English court. But after Elizabeth's accession to the English throne, music revived and soon overcame the bad influence which had come upon it in Henry VIII's time. Especially was it ennobled and made finer by the great poets of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. The cavaliers and roundheads also influenced music very much, each in their own way. Two examples were, "When the King enjoys his own again," written and sung by the cavaliers and full of vigor, hardiness, and life, and "Come, Honest Sexton, take thy Spade," a song of the roundheads, fully expressing their gloomy and sorrowful spirit. However, here again came a period of lowering and debasing of the art of music under Charles II, who again brought over the flippant song from the French court. This lasted for almost a quarter of a century, when Queen Anne again caused a revival and restored good music. Again a sturdy and healthful character entered into English music and only the praises of English things were sung. Henry Carey was the last writer of English folk song, and two of his songs are known by all "God save the Queen," which was originally "God save Great George, our King," and "Sally in our Alley." This spirit is now but dormant, not dead, and will spring to life again whenever any need or war call for it.

The audience was large and completely filled the hall, and not one of all present left without having spent a most delightful and instructive afternoon.

The Athletic Team.

With the call for candidates last month, the regular winter training of the athletic team was begun and is now in full progress. Nearly sixty men responded to Captain Laing's call for the first cross country runs last Monday, among whom were a number of last year's team.

The Athletic Association is making an earnest effort to make more of the athletic team, and a training table, sweaters, and gold medals will be given to the fellows this year for the first time in the history of the school. The in-door games of the Inter-scholastic Association of Boston will be held on Saturday, March 17, and at that time

a more accurate estimate of the new material can be had, but in general the training is at a more advanced stage than at the same period last season, and from all appearances the new material is of exceedingly good quality.

Philo.

The mock trial of Philo last Friday night, in Society Hall, was very successful, there being fully one hundred and fifty fellows present. The case tried was for absolute divorce and alimony, and President Fuller acted as judge. Hinds was the plaintiff, with Lester and Kennedy as attorneys, and Booth the defence, with Emery and Rogers for counsel. Six witnesses were allowed on each side, and some interesting testimony was given. After the closing speeches by Lester and Rogers for their respective sides, the judge instructed the jury to withdraw and form a verdict as quickly as possible. On their return the foreman announced that absolute divorce had been granted, but there would be no alimony. The judge then rendered his decision and the court adjourned.

Harvard, Yale, and Princeton Ball Games.

At the base-ball conference between Harvard and Yale representatives in Springfield, Mass., Tuesday, an agreement was entered into by the two colleges which absolutely disposes of all the questions relating to the series of games for this year. It was decided not to divulge the proceedings of this conference till the athletic committees of both universities had been consulted. This was done Tuesday, and to-night an official announcement was made relative to the games between Harvard, Yale, and Princeton for the season. It was settled by Harvard and Yale at the meeting, Tuesday, to have the pitcher placed back five feet, making the total sixty feet, as under the league rules.

After a correspondence with Princeton the same pitching rule has been decided upon for the Yale-Princeton games, and Yale will insist on the rule in all the games played this year with other colleges. It is probable that the league pitching distance rule will now be adopted by all the eastern colleges.

Yale proposed a three-game series with Harvard. The proposition was accepted immediately, and dates were agreed upon as follows: June 21, in Cambridge; June 26, in New Haven. The place for the third game was not selected and it will not be played in case either college wins both the preceding games.

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NOTICE.

To insure change of advertisement, copy must be received for Wednesday not later than Tuesday noon; for Saturday, not later than Friday noon.

The Andover Press.

We desire to state that the papers were late Wednesday on account of an accident which happened to the press and caused a delay in the printing. All those who did not get copies of this issue, or who desire any of the back numbers, can obtain them by applying to the managing editor.

The visit of President Hyde of Bowdoin College was a noteworthy event. His lecture Wednesday evening and his shorter talk on Thursday morning demand special attention. At the former he told "How to Study," and those who heard him now have, as Dr. Bancroft predicted, something that will remain with them for a long time.

In his talk Thursday morning he clearly set forth the importance of striving toward an ideal. Both of his speeches were exceedingly helpful, and the school is to be congratulated on having been able to hear a man of such recognized ability and reputation.

Now that the base-ball candidates have begun their out-of-door work, steady and noticeable improvement will be expected. Each man must work his very hardest every minute of practice and not think he has made the team because his name continues to appear in the published list. It is quite an honor to be kept over the

spring vacation with the base-ball squad, and one which every man should work hard for, although his chances for the regular nine may seem poor now.

At such an early date everything is uncertain, and the fellow who plays steadily, but perhaps not brilliantly now, is very likely to make the team before the season is over, if he continues to work his best. Every one should realize that it is not the brilliant catch or unusual throw that counts for a man, but it is the spirit which he shows, his eagerness to learn, and his willingness to correct his mistakes.

One of the many respects in which the school equipment is sadly deficient is a library of reference for the classes in history. There are a large number of books which if procured would add greatly to the interest of the historical courses here by throwing side-lights on the different epochs. It is desired by the teachers, if possible, to increase this library, and with this end in view a joint concert has been arranged by the Banjo and Glee Clubs with those of Brown University for March 15. Such a concert would in itself be quite a novelty, and therefore we would urge all the students to secure seats and give such a well-meant effort to aid the school its deserved support.

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The base ball team has been practising out of doors since Tuesday.

There are 240 men trying for the Mott Haven team at Yale.

Ground is soon to be broken for a new dormitory at Exeter.

Long of the Boston league team will coach the Lehigh base ball candidates.

R. J. Cook, '76, will coach the Yale crew during the Easter vacation.

The preliminary in-door tournament will be held Wednesday, Mar. 14, and the final Wednesday, Mar. 21.

Captain McKenzie of the Princeton nine expects to play first base this season.

The faculty of Harvard is soon to consider changes in the requirements for admission.

Yale's first boat-house was built in 1859, the second in 1863, and the third in 1875.

The Harvard base ball candidates practised out of doors Tuesday for the first time this season.

The Tufts College Glee Club has received the offer of an engagement in London for next summer.

F. Rustin, P.S. '91, Yale, '95 S, captain of our base ball team in '91, will coach the candidates this afternoon.

The faculty at Cornell are considering the advisability of lengthening the college year at that institution.

Columbia college now has 600 graduate students, the largest number in attendance at any American college.

A Freshman base ball team has been formed at Brown, and will soon challenge the Freshman teams of Yale, Harvard and Princeton.

G. R. Atha, P.A. '91, Brown University '95, has been chosen treasurer of the University foot ball association for next year.

The Harvard crew rowed on the Charles River in an eight-oared shell on Monday for the first time this season.

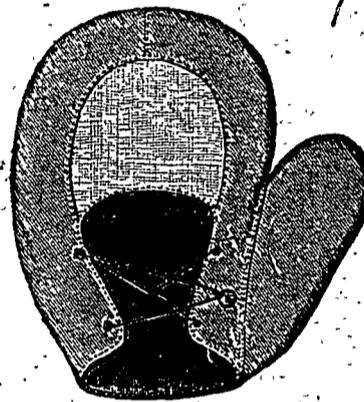
C. P. Kitchel, P.A. '93, has an article in the February number of the Yale Courant entitled "The rule of King Jamie."

The Univ. of Penn. has a new field which will be ready for use by next fall. It is valued at \$100,000, and is the gift of the trustees of the Athletic Association.

The following Freshman deacons have been elected at Yale: Fincke, Smyth, P.A. '93, and Tyichell, from '97, McGee, Blakeslee, P.S. '93, and and Sturgis P.S. '93, from '96 S.

The base ball team of Williams college is to take a spring trip during Easter vacation, playing games at New York, Brooklyn, Baltimore and Washington.

"Dartmouth Athletics," a complete history of athletic sports at Dartmouth has just been published by members of the Senior class. The book is copiously illustrated with pictures of teams and prominent individual athletes.



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