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## EDITORIAL.

It may seem a little early to begin talking about tennis, but weather-wizards have predicted an early Spring and we are inclined to believe them, for our March snows left us in

February, the showers and humid snow-storms of April are even now falling in March, and who knows but that our May flowers will come in April and the violets be nodding along the wayside and the fruit-trees blushing under their load of blossoms before we are fully aware that winter has left us. With the spring, the clear skies and warm airs, comes also tennis.

We do not wish to approach tennis from the poetic or romantic standpoint, however, but to view it rather in the cold light that financial conditions here at Kenyon throw upon it. At no time, to our knowledge, since the Kenyon courts were opened, have the tennis managers been supplied with enough money to set them in order at the beginning of the season and keep them in good condition until the close. This is not due to any negligence or mismanagement on the part of the managers, nor is it due to scarcity of names on the roll of the tennis association, but solely to the system which is followed. As affairs now stand a man may, for the sum of two

dollars, become a member of the association in his freshman year and enjoy the privileges of membership through his whole college course without the expenditure of another cent. Admission fees are the sole source of revenue and from them must be drawn the funds for clearing the courts at the beginning of the season, for keeping them in order—leveled, rolled, and marked—for repairs, and for the expenses of the tournaments, though these latter help to pay for themselves in admission fees. It can thus be clearly understood that the money taken in is far from adequate to meet properly the necessary expenses.

A plan for remedying such an inconvenience as this is thoroughly easy and natural. No man expects to get something for nothing; and certainly no man in college will admit that two dollars will cover all the wear and tear of four years use of the courts. The plan we would propose is to charge an admission fee of two dollars and six dues at a dollar a year. We have heard that this matter was discussed by the Executive Committee last spring but it seems to have been done in a very desultory fashion, for nothing definite came of it. It was suggested that the admission fee be raised to five dollars without dues. Such a plan, in individual cases, would bring in as much money as the one we have proposed would in four years, but, taken in a lump, we do not believe the association would prosper by it. In the first place, five dollars seems like a far bigger sum when paid out all at once than it does in small amounts. This alone would keep out many men. In the second place, not every man is sure of going to college the full four years and he would be unwilling to pay out money for something he never expected to receive. In the third place, the income of the association would be more evenly distributed and the danger of sudden fits of extravagance avoided. In the fourth place, the two plans practically coincide in the case of men who enter after their freshman year, for the man who expects to use the courts three years will not pay the same amount as the one who uses them four and the cost of admission will vary proportionally. The only difference will be the greater inconvenience of the five-dollar plan.

This matter deserves the serious attention of the students and of the Executive Committee and we trust that, for the sake of the lovers of tennis, some definite action be taken soon, for

the conditions of the courts at times—never very good—is such as to make one almost ashamed to take visiting teams upon them; and the reason lies, not with the managers but with the system of management.

In the past it has been customary to grant tennis K's to men who won out in intercollegiate matches, but with the decline of such contests the practice fell into disuse and for the past three years no such K's have been awarded. Tennis, however, and intercollegiate tennis especially, is rising into greater prominence than heretofore and since the college awards its emblem in all other branches of athletics there seems no valid reason why tennis alone should be made an exception. In some institutions, it is true, letters can be won only in certain departments of athletics, but Kenyon has not yet made any such distinction and we cannot see why the men who represent the college in tennis should not be rewarded in the same way as those who play foot-ball, or base-ball or do work on the track-team.

#### TRIP OF THE GLEE AND MANDOLIN CLUBS.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs made a most successful trip through northern Ohio during the week beginning Feb. 27th and ending March 4th.

The first concert was given at Cleveland and a large audience composed of the best and most critical people in the city assembled in the auditorium of the Hollenden Hotel on Monday night, Feb. 27th. The concert was practically the same as given at Gambier during Prom. week but went off with even greater spirit than the previous one and was more enthusiastically received by the audience. Many of Kenyon's warmest supporters were present, chief among whom are Messrs. J. H. Dempsey, William Reynolds, and Bishop Leonard, to whose efforts is chiefly due the fact that we sang in Cleveland at all. Of course the Kenyon songs struck the right spot for the majority of those present. Among other selections that took well were "The Jabberwock" by Mr. Crosby and the Glee Club, "The Bells of St. Michael's Tower," and somewhat to the surprise of the leader, Mr. Taylor, several of the encores that had not been counted upon. Over three hundred people were present.

Akron was the next stop. The concert was given in the Universalist Church and the inconvenience of getting on and off the platform, as well as a certain feeling of restraint that rose from the ecclesiastical surroundings and seemed to affect both audience and entertainers, tended somewhat to make the performance a little lifeless, at least, in comparison with the one at

Cleveland, but the singing was good for all that. After the concert Mr. Ed Good, '84, and Mr. Gus Commins' 97, entertained the clubs at an informal spread in the Elks' rooms and showed them a royal good time for which the fellows are sincerely grateful.

In Mansfield the clubs appeared in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. A good house and an appreciative audience assembled, and the concert as a whole was most gratifying. Mr. Upson, Jimmy's father, had the tables at the Vonhof Hotel set after the concert and tendered the men a much-relished cold lunch. Though they had just got through using their vocal chords, the fellows made the walls of that building ring with the sound of some rousing Kenyon songs.

At Utica the singing was done in the Opera House and though a large audience showed up, they did not prove to be a particularly enthusiastic one. The men were put up at private houses and all are unanimous in the expression of their appreciation of the warmth of the hospitality they received.

Columbus was looked forward to with some impatience as being the last concert on the trip and also as affording an opportunity to make up for the reception we got there two years ago. The house that assembled was almost pitiful—a mere handful of people—and had it not been for the guarantee of expenses from the Alumni there would have been a big hole in the manager's pocket-book as the result of it. The concert itself was excellent and what audience there was was of the right stuff. They were, for the most part, enthusiastic supporters of Kenyon and showed their appreciation beautifully, so that we cannot complain of their being at all cold.

Mr. Taylor, the leader, says: "The trip this year was largely an experiment; and from the results it cannot be denied that the experiment was successful. I cannot fully thank the men for the faithfulness and willingness to work that they have shown in helping me to make musical clubs one of Kenyon's prominent activities. They are doing noble service for their Alma Mater." Mr. Taylor is to be highly congratulated on the success that has attended his efforts in getting up a Glee and Mandolin Club that is a credit to the College both at home and abroad. His own musical ability and spirit of perseverance are shown up in good form.

The name of Kenyon again takes honor upon itself with the news that Mr. Irving B. Dudley, '81, at present minister of the United States at Peru, will probably be transferred to Venezuela in order to untangle the relations that now exist between the United States and Venezuela.

## THE CINCINNATI ALUMNI BANQUET.

The annual dinner of the Kenyon Alumni Association of Cincinnati and vicinity was held at the St. Nicholas Hotel on Thursday evening, March 2nd, with Mr. Elliott Marfield, '83, as toastmaster. The meeting was one of the most enthusiastic ever held, and the speakers, though their remarks were, for the most part, of an informal nature, fairly dilated upon their subjects. President Peirce set forth the conditions of things here at college and again brought forward his plea for money to equip Rosse Hall with proper bathing and dressing-room facilities. As a result of his speech a committee for soliciting subscriptions among the Alumni in the vicinity of Cincinnati was appointed, at whose head was Mr. N. L. Pierson, '80. Mr. William P. Elliott, '70, and Bishop Boyd Vincent were among the other speakers. It so happened that the University of Cincinnati were tendering a banquet to their new head, President Dabney, at the same time that the Kenyon men were holding forth, and hearty greetings were exchanged between the two groups of men.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected. Mr. Elliott Marfield, '83, declined the honor of serving a fourth term as president and Mr. Pierson, '80, was elected by acclamation to succeed him. Mr. A. L. Herrlinger, '83, and Mr. P. B. Stanbery, Jr., '98, were elected to succeed themselves as vice-president, and secretary and treasurer respectively. Those present were: President Peirce, William P. Elliott, '70 President of the General Alumni Association, Bishop Boyd Vincent, Yale, President of the Board of Trustees, Rev. John H. Ely, Bexley, '71, Rev. George C. Cox, '86, Rev. C. K. Benedict, '87, Rev. R. L. Harris, '96, Dr. Albert J. Bell, '95, Dr. Henry Stanbery, '96, Dr. Rufus Southworth, '00, Messrs. Elliott Marfield, '83, A. W. Hayward, '84, A. L. Herrlinger, '83, N. L. Pierson, '80, Clay V. Sanford, '94, Lou A. Sanford, '95, Constant Southworth, '98, Thomas O. Youtsey, '98, James G. Stewart, '02, Raymond E. Preble and A. W. Coldewey, former members of K. M. A., W. W. Myers, an honorary member of the Cincinnati Association, and Louis M. Webb, and J. Edgar Fackeberry, guests of the occasion.

## COLUMBUS ALUMNI BANQUET.

The members of the Alumni Association of central Ohio gathered for their annual dinner in the Hotel Hartman, on Saturday evening, March the fourth. The Hon. Talford P. Linn acted as toastmaster.

President Peirce was the first speaker on the list. He spoke with earnestness and enthusiasm

on the condition and development of the College, showing how greatly the material and teaching resources of the institution have been developed, defining immediate needs, and outlining the prospects for greater usefulness. He paid high tribute to the efficiency of the Faculty and the morale of the student body.

Mr. Willis N. Townsend, '79, Principal of Central High School, spoke on the tendencies shown by so many young folks to abbreviate their courses of study and pointed out the fallacy of so doing.

Mr. William P. Elliott, '70, treated enthusiastically the subject of the "Kenyon Man"; how, both in and out of college, he bears impressed and expressed the stamp of the spirit of allegiance to a Kenyon ideal.

A general discussion was held relating to the advisability of establishing a local Kenyon organization to be concerned particularly with such things as the visits of the Glee and Mandolin Clubs to Columbus. A motion to re-establish the meetings of the Association of Central Ohio was unanimously passed.

Officers were elected: Mr. Willis N. Townsend, '79, president, and Mr. Francis W. Blake, '80, secretary and treasurer. After several hearty songs, reminiscences, and anecdotes, and a hearty vote of thanks to the genial host, Mr. Dun, of the Hartman, the meeting adjourned.

Those present were: Messrs. Charles H. Wetmore, '69, William P. Elliott, '70, Hon. Talford P. Linn, '72, J. D. H. McKinley, '72, John G. Dun, '75, Willis N. Townsend, '79, Francis W. Blake, '80, Theodore M. Lindsay, '81, Charles Wardlow, '84, Thomas T. Swearingen, '89, Edward M. Fullington, '80, Rev. S. A. Huston, '00, L. A. Grigsby, '01, Alfred E. Fillmore, '01, R. A. Clayborne, '04, T. R. Tschan, '05, Col. James Kilbourne, '62, the retiring president of the Alumni Association of Central Ohio, sent a message of goodwill and sincere regret that indisposition should prevent his attendance.

## New Organizations.

The visit of the Rev. H. A. McNulty, General Secretary of the Church Students' Missionary Society resulted in the organization of a Mission Study Class among the college men. The class is especially interested in the study of the missionary work of Japan. "Japan in Regeneration," by Otis Cary, is being used as a sort of text-book.

It is also understood that an organization for promulgating Christian work among the students has been fairly launched. This latter is the result of a suggestion from Dr. Smythe. Nothing definite, however, as to the methods of undertaking the work, has been, as yet, decided upon.

[The following is the first of a series of articles that Dean Jones of Bexley Hall has kindly volunteered to the COLLEGIAN. The theme of the series is to be Kenyon and its environments.]

### THE PLACE.

Every Kenyon student knows the "River Road." The walk which it affords is a charming one in spring and autumn. Here the Kokosing makes its way along a narrow valley, into which it enters just as it leaves Mt. Vernon, and out of which it emerges at the foot of Gambier hill. The wide valley which it occupies at the former town, and the other like valley which it enters below Gambier, are pre-glacial channels—the waterways which were in use before the geologic epoch of Arctic winter. During that remote time the old Kokosing river was crowded out of its ancient course by ice and snow, and was deflected from its southerly trend toward the east, wearing a new channel which is yet, geologically speaking, so new that air and frost and flood have not had time to wear away the hills on either side. But the stream did not have to travel far in its freshly made bed, for at the point where Gambier now is, it found its way into another ancient valley whose wide expanse with its line of eastern hills forms the view seen from the college "Park." This prospect of fertile plains and varied upland is one of those things which, seen often by the outward eye, become features in our recollections of past experiences, and in the picture of Gambier written in our hearts the "View" is a leading character. Toward the west, except for pleasing vistas here and there, the eye finds less to tempt to contemplation. Down the steep declivity we perceive the River through the veil of forest, and from the old Grave-yard can see something of the narrow valley which opens toward the sunset.

The old catalogues describe Gambier Hill as a "plateau." This it is not, except with large allowances. The hill is almost cut across at the point where Brooklyn Street intersects the "Middle Path," and another narrow summit is to be noticed just in front of Ascension Hall. Yet the site was wisely selected. The long and not always wide hill-top suggested the plan of a central avenue from north to south, and this feature is a distinction. Bishop Chase at once hit upon this plan for his Divinity School, and began with the erection of Old Kenyon at the southern end of the hill. The middle-path idea, however, was not realized until about 1860, when Bishop Bedell urged the project to completion.

The first selected site for Kenyon College was on a spot about fifteen miles from Columbus, on the western bank of Alum Creek, oppo-

site to the present village of Westerville. The tract of land actually secured was about one thousand acres in extent. A clearing was made and other improvements were begun. This was in 1824. But in 1825 the attention of Bishop Chase was drawn in another direction. He learned that a tract of eight thousand acres in Knox County was for sale at \$2.95 per acre. His Journal records visits to the locality, and in the Diocesan Convention of 1826 a special committee reported in favor of the purchase, recounting that the "land is watered with good springs and permanent streams, affording valuable mill-seats, very fertile, abounding in stone and all the material necessary for building." The Alum Creek tract was offered as a gift, while the Knox County lands, although the price was low, yet involved the outlay of an important sum of money. Here, then, appear the designs of the founder. First, there was this consideration—one-half of the land might be sold at a price which would almost pay for the whole. And, second, it was the Bishop's determination to place the institution in the country—perhaps far removed from cities and towns. On this latter point he encountered opposition from the day when he returned from England with the funds assured, until he secured the action of the Committee just referred to. He made his defence deliberately and definitely. In towns, or still more in cities, a certain social environment was already established, not, as he believed, altogether healthful and safe. The institution, in a large land domain owned by itself, would control its surroundings, and prevent the conditions which tempt the young to vice and idleness. And the Bishop had his eye on the "unearned increment,"—the advance in value of neighboring properties through the near-by institution. "For many miles around," so he anticipated, "the land will greatly increase in value." Therefore, to place the College within a large domain of its own were but sound policy, for it would then "share in the gains of which itself would thus be the parent." "Count these gains," he says, "and on the most moderate scale contrast them with the highest offer which any town will make, and the preference for fixing our Seminary in the country will be apparent."

The eight thousand acres of land lay in two quarter sections. The line between them was the east and west road first to be crossed in going north from the present village. The land purchased, it remained now to select the spot on which the buildings were to stand. The story of the selection has been often told, but may here be briefly repeated. Go then on the north road from Gambier until the Coshocton road is reached. Here turn to the east and one

mile further on you gain the brow of a hill, from which is displayed a happy-looking valley, the sight of which causes a satisfied pause in our wanderings. "Schenk's Creek" travels through peaceful fields, past the tiny hamlet known as "Monroe Mills," and on to join the larger waters of the Kokosing. Beyond the valley the hills rise in protecting order. There is no such breadth of view as Gambier Hill affords, but the prospect surely "pleases," and it almost came to pass that Kenyon College found its location here.

However, the exploring party decided to look farther, and following for about three miles the banks of the Kokosing westward, they paused at the foot of the elevation now known as Gambier Hill.

#### DR. WOODWARD.

On Friday evening, March 10th, 1905, in the Assembly Hall of Harcourt Place Seminary the Missionary Societies of Harcourt, Bexley Hall, and Kenyon were addressed by Dr. Edmund Lee Woodward, physician in charge of St. James' Hospital, Nganking, China.

The regular service of the C. S. M. A. was read by Mr. Elmer Owen, Secretary of the Bexley chapter. After this, Dr. Woodward gave a practical talk about his work in China. Dr. Woodward's address was clear and very interesting. He related many humorous experiences. The strange customs of the Chinese give rise to many pathetically funny circumstances.

Dr. Woodward explained the methods and routine of the hospital life and how the gospel is preached by "curing the body." To use his own words, "In this way we come nearest our Lord's practice, first curing and healing the body then preaching the gospel." He said, "The attitude of the missionaries is to meet the Chinese on their own ground and to try, while giving all respect and credit to national customs, to show them the better way, when those customs result, as they so often do, in limiting and debasing human life." The missionary feeling of the societies was, if possible, strengthened by Dr. Woodward's talk.

Dr. Woodward is a graduate of the University of Virginia and was a member of St. James' parish, Richmond, Va. He went to China in October, 1899, and was almost immediately assigned to Nganking where he was a pioneer in hospital work. After a year's preliminary work and language study, Dr. Woodward planned and superintended the erection of St. James' Hospital.

#### THE HIKA SONG.

The following song from the melodious pen of Canon Watson of Bexley Hall is waiting for some one to fit a tune to it. The rhythm fairly makes it sing itself and we hope that a composer may be found who will write music worthy of the words—and he will have no easy task before him.

O it's Kenyon on the campus and it's Kenyon  
on the hill,  
Hika, hika, hika, all the day!  
O it's Kenyon with a spirit and it's Kenyon with  
a will,  
Hika, hika, hika, and away!  
When the valley's filled with the sun and the  
dew,  
And the waking world wants its dream come  
true,  
Then it's Kenyon, then it's Kenyon, and away!

O it's Kenyon on the diamond and it's Kenyon  
on the field,  
Hika, hika, hika, all your might!  
O it's Kenyon never falter and it's Kenyon never  
yield,  
Hika, hika, hika, for a fight!  
When the men line up, and all grows still,  
And the bright eyes watch from the slope of  
the hill,  
Then it's Kenyon, then it's Kenyon, for a fight!

O it's Kenyon for a friendship, and it's Kenyon  
with a grip,  
Hika, hika, hika, all the night!  
O it's Kenyon in the gloaming with a song upon  
the lip,  
Hika, hika, hika, till day-light!  
When the darksome owl lifts his only tune,  
And the far watch-dog bays under the moon,  
Then it's Kenyon, then it's Kenyon, all the  
night!

A petition for having hot water in the baths at Old Kenyon during all hours of the day was presented to President Peirce by the students living in the dormitory and granted on condition that a wasteful use of water be not indulged in. The denizens of Old Kenyon are to be congratulated on their advance over former conditions but are to be consoled with over the fact that the pumping house of the Gambier Waterworks Company is only fitted up with a single engine and hence cannot supply all who would wish the necessary water for bathing to full satisfaction.

### THE THREE DROMIOS.

On Friday evening, March 3d, Dr. Southworth delivered his lecture on "The Three Dromios" in Philo Hall for the benefit of the Missionary Society of Bexley.

There is a bit of very interesting history connected with the preparation and first delivery of this lecture. Some years ago the student body under the management of Ben H. Williams put on a series of lectures here in Gambier. There were to be nine in all and were, for the most part, scientific or historical. In order to vary the monotony Dr. Rhodes, a very able clergyman of Cincinnati, was invited to deliver a lecture on "Wit and Humor." Everybody came prepared to hear something funny, but to their surprise, the lecture was an exhaustive exposition of the psychological side of the subject. In their position the management was now forced to have something immediately that would make the audience laugh. They invited Dr. Southworth to their assistance.

He had on hand a stock of laughable stories of village life which, he said, were true and these he was prepared to deliver in the form of a lecture. The actors were three villagers who couldn't help doing things in a funny way even when they concerned funerals, fires, and the pulpit. Hence he called his lecture "The Three Dromios," and thus helped the management out of their difficulty.

Dr. Southworth was most heartily received and highly appreciated on a week ago Friday night. His droll manner of statement was charming and his exquisite humor captivated all who heard him. Gambier will not soon hear such another lecturer.

### THE JUNIOR BANQUET.

On the evening of Saturday, March 4th, the Class of 1906 held their banquet at the Neil House in Columbus. The committee in charge consisted of R. W. Crosby, H. P. Fischbach, and E. A. Duncan. Their work was performed in a highly satisfactory manner and the Class was permitted to sit down to an excellent six-course banquet which was not to be criticised either in menu or service.

The hour for the banquet was eight o'clock and at this time, before the real business of the evening began, a representative of Baker's Art Gallery appeared and insisted on getting a flashlight of the bunch. Of course all those present want pictures. While the coffee and cigars were going the rounds, the toasts were given and every one was ably responded to, especially that of F. J. Hartman. The songs went off with

dash and spirit and attracted a large crowd of visitors in the parlor below. It takes Kenyon to show those Columbus people how to sing even though they don't turn out to the concerts.

A number of impromptu speeches were made in addition to the assigned toasts:

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| "Nunc Gaudeamus" .....            | Mr. Stephens |
| "For Kenyon's Glory" .....        | Mr. Lee      |
| "The Class and the College" ..... | Mr. Warman   |
| "The Ladies" .....                | Mr. Larmon   |
| "In the Days to Be" .....         | Mr. Taylor   |

### PHILO.

On Tuesday evening, March 7, Philo met for its first regular meeting since the exams. Business of considerable importance was transacted in reference to the coming inter-society debate. A very spirited parliamentary drill made up the programme for the evening. Mr. Stephens who occupied the chair during the trying ordeal conducted himself in a creditable manner. Many amusing as well as useful points were brought out during the session.

#### PROGRAMME FOR MARCH 13.

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| The religion of the Japanese ..... | J. W. Hamilton |
| Port Arthur .....                  | J. T. Brooke   |
| General Lew Wallace .....          | L. L. Riley    |

Extemporaneous Speaking.

For March 20, a debate has been fixed. The subject for discussion is a rather live topic at present and action promises to be spirited. The subject is: Kenyon College should maintain a debating team. Messrs. A. S. Warman and U. H. Brown will speak on the affirmative and H. B. Williams and C. M. Ballard on the negative side.

### Death of Judge John Scofield Brasee.

News comes of the death of Judge John Scofield Brasee at his home in Lancaster, O., on Thursday, Feb. 23d at 9:30 o'clock. He had been an invalid for a number of years but the illness that caused his death dated back only ten days.

Judge Brasee was born in 1832 at Lancaster. He graduated from Kenyon College in — and studied law with his father. He was for many years counsel for the C. & M. V. railroad and was offered the position of general counsel for the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, declining because it necessitated his removal to the Smoky City.

He married Mary Anna Dickinson, daughter of Dr. J. H. Dickinson of Newark, and on Dec. 6th of last year they celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. He leaves six children.

**MISS SHERLOCK HOLMES.**

The young ladies of Harcourt gave a display of their histrionic ability on Tuesday night, March the seventh, in a little three-act farce entitled "Miss Sherlock Holmes." The play was bright and entertaining and the girls did well in their presentation of it. The action is something of a take-off on the popular melodrama and represents the strenuous efforts of a feminine detective to corral her man "Bill" the burglar. After various complications in the house of Mrs. Warrington, a frivolous, young wife whose head is crammed with romantic notions, Miss Sherlock nabs her man and all ends happily and in a flutter.

Miss Palm showed up to great advantage in the part of Miss Sherlock Holmes. The fullness with which she entered into the spirit of her part seems to indicate considerable dramatic ability — on the stage she was, in every sense, a type of the rather sporty woman, with a goodly dash of the Tenderloin element thrown in, and yet she acted her part so as to win the approval of even the finest sensibilities.

Miss Irwin made a delightfully frivolous and flighty little house-wife and played her part well. Among the rest of the cast were Miss Campbell as Miss Octavia Frothingham, a learned, but most unsophisticated sister of Mrs. Warrington, Miss Booth as Mary, Mrs. Warrington's maid, Miss Sebring and Miss Taylor as society matrons, and Miss Brockway as Katy, another servant.

**COACH ECKSTORM.**

Dr. Eckstorm, foot-ball coach for the past two seasons, has been engaged by Ohio Medical University to coach their foot-ball team next fall. He will also act in the capacity of assistant professor in one of the medical branches at that institution. Dr. Eckstorm coached the O. M. U. foot-ball team in 1902 and turned out the best team that has ever represented the Medics. Under his direction the Orange and Black will undoubtedly have a team that will be a credit to that institution.

In 1903 Dr. Eckstorm came to Kenyon and faced a foot-ball situation that few coaches would have dared to confront. The material was inexperienced and very limited. Few of the men had ever played college foot-ball and the unalterable result was that the Kenyon team of that year had few victories. Our faith in Coach Eckstorm, however, was not diminished and he was re-engaged for the following year. The past season's record shows that our faith

was not misplaced and as the "Cleveland Plain Dealer" stated, Kenyon had an eleven which played the best teams in Ohio and was not defeated by more than twelve points in any game.

Dr. Eckstorm leaves Kenyon followed by the best wishes of the Kenyon students and the citizens of Gambier.

**SOPHOMORE CLASS MEETING.**

The Class of 1907 held a business meeting in the English room on Friday night, March 10th. The "Hop" Committee reported that the date of April 29th had been fixed upon for the Sophomore Hop. A. L. Reynolds was appointed to fill the vacancy on the committee left by the resignation of M. W. Butler. P. G. Elster, S. W. Goldsborough, and C. C. W. Judd were appointed a committee to arrange for a class banquet during the week of the Hop.

A motion was carried to give a play on the Monday immediately following the Hop, and the matter was placed in the hands of a committee consisting of L. L. Riley, S. W. Goldsborough, H. M. Eddy, and A. L. Reynolds.

On behalf of Dr. Peirce a member of the class protested against the practice that has recently sprung up of mutilating the periodicals in the Library.

J. G. Heyman, J. T. Brooke, S. W. Goldsborough, and A. L. Reynolds were appointed a committee to prepare a class song. The meeting adjourned.

**HAND-BALL.**

The hand-ball court has been completed and Kenyon is the possessor of another indoor sport. A large sectional platform has been constructed and placed perpendicularly at the west end of the gymnasium completely hiding the stage. The court is marked off very much like the half of a tennis court, and, in fact, the game is quite similar to tennis, the chief difference being that the hand is used to bat the ball instead of a racquet.

Few people, perhaps, know that "heads out" is one of the old traditions of Kenyon College, but in the Reveille for 1871 there is an allusion to the "stunt" that still delights the Freshmen and amuses even the Upper Classmen. Kenyon is progressive, too. In the same Reveille there is an account of putting "a quadruped of the equine race" in the basement of Rossé Chapel. Now it takes all the live stock in Knox County to satisfy the students.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

On March 5, work began on the heating system to be installed in the stack room.

Dr. Halsted has presented the library with a copy of his Rational Geometry.

Among the new books recently received are "Tramping with Tramps," by Josiah Flynt, and "Woman Who Toils," by Mrs. J. Van Vorst and Marie Van Vorst.

Two pictures of James P. Stephens, '59, the donor of the Stephens' Stack Room, have been hung in the library—the larger one in the reading room, and the smaller, a picture of Mr. Stephens when in college, in the stack room.

A map of Gambier showing the original situation of the various college buildings, the plan of streets, etc., can be seen in the reading room. This map was drawn in 1826 by the Rev. C. W. Fitch, D. D., who was the first professor of Languages in Kenyon. It was presented by his son to Dr. Peirce during his recent visit to New York.

The magazines and periodicals in the library are for the general use of the students and the man who cuts out articles is playing a contemptible part. Of late a number of the papers have been found so mutilated and the authorities intend to take measures to curtail the liberties of the students in the library unless such practices are stopped.

## BASE-BALL.

Indoor base-ball practice has been started and every afternoon finds quite a large number of candidates at work in the gymnasium. The prospects for a strong team are good and there are several candidates for every position.

## THE ANNUAL "TAKING."

All day Tuesday and Wednesday the representative of Baker's Art Gallery of Columbus was busy in Rosse Hall taking the various group pictures for the "Reveille." Thursday morning he spent in more entertaining work at Harcourt.

If you aren't a subscriber of the KENYON COLLEGIAN, why aren't you? The paper is alive and kicking, but it needs your support. If you have any interest at all in the college, it is your duty to lend a hand at keeping the Kenyon paper going. It's getting late, but remember there's no such thing as too late.

## EXCHANGES.

Michigan men have been expecting the track team for this spring to fall somewhat below the high standard of the last three years. Their hopes, however, began to rise after the indoor meet on the 4th when Dunham put the shot 44 feet, 2 inches, and Coe lowered Kellog's indoor mile record of 4 minutes and thirty seconds, by one second.

The great Duffy has been defeated several times in Australia, in the dashes.

It has been found when large fortunes have been given for the establishment of educational institutions that the trustees who have charge of the funds are more or less hampered in carrying out their plans by the eccentricities of the donor. It is probably for this reason that Joseph Pulitzer's proposed School of Journalism will not be established until after the benefactor's death.

Much to the surprise of everybody, Illinois has twice defeated Chicago in indoor meets. In the last meet Illinois won all the field events while Chicago took all the track events but the former made enough seconds and thirds to win the majority of points.

While there has been nothing remarkable done in the inter-class track meet at O. S. U., the work shows that a team is being developed that will make an interesting fight in the spring meets.

Some alumnus of Denison is not satisfied with the amount of enthusiasm shown by the men of that college when two of her men won first and second places in the mental competitive examinations for Cecil Rhodes scholarships. Except at Oberlin and Delaware, college men, however much they may appreciate the work done, do not become hilariously enthusiastic over the winning of a debate or first place in a mental test.

The following we are pleased to copy from the "Ohio Wesleyan Transcript:"

"The Kenyon Collegian is afflicted with a unique disease—financial embarrassment, due to lack of support from the students. Something unusual, that. We thought that Kenyon students would be ashamed to read the college paper over their neighbors' shoulder, or to make one copy do for the whole fraternity house."

Washington—First in war, first in peace, and last in the American league.—Case Ex.