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WHICH WOULD IT BE?

Should the "Grave Old Seniors" be
informed of the "Grave Old Seniors"?

Within a very short time, thirteen men, the "Grave Old Seniors," will be going "Out From Their Alma Mater." These men have all been at St. Stephen's four years, and some of them have been here longer, during which time all of them must have done something besides study for their degrees. The following is as complete a list as we could get, although there are probably some things about which everybody is keeping quiet.

CHARLES STEEL ARMSTRONG, Union Hill, N. J.

Entered 1910

Member Delerian Fraternity

Prize-winner in Latin and Math., 1910-11

Prize-winner in English, Science and Psychology, 1911-12

Associate Editor of "MESSENGER" 1911-12

Prize-winner in English, Science and History and Greek, 1912-13

College Editor of "MESSENGER," 1912-13

Treasurer of Dragon Club, 1912-13

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THE PROCESSION

Freshmen led by the "Grave Old Seniors" in Underhill, Vermont

On Saturday, April 25th, the much-discussed tag-of-war between the Sophomores and Freshmen took place across the Sawkill, a small creek running through Annandale. The Student Council had made all arrangements, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the student body was summoned by a lively series of bugle calls, despite a drizzling rain, which was falling. The procession formed as follows in front of Aspinwall Hall: Ass. Marshal and band leading main body of students; Ass. Marshal leading Freshman class, Ass. Marshal leading Sophomore class; Marshal leading Student Council. The Marshals carried either axes or clubs, while the Sophs displayed besides their own 1916 banner, the captured 1917 banner, inverted, and attached to a couple of brooms.

Through the pouring rain the procession traveled over the line of march down through Annandale and then back through a small patch of woods to the selected field of battle. The creek at this point is about

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FOOTBALL OVER

Last Practice This Spring Held On Zabriskie Field

Spring football practice is over and the pigskin will be carefully packed away until the squad reports for business next fall. For the past two weeks or so, Coach Whitten has been working with the squad as a whole; now, for a few days more, he expects to work with individual men just a bit, coaching them with particular reference to the position they are to try for next year. The squad work has been mostly blocking and breaking through, in short, work on the line. Our line is fairly light and at all times needs careful attention, so that this point was especially taken into consideration, along with the regular spring work, new plays and drop-kicking.

The men turned out pretty well. Almost all of those who were most faithful last fall appeared every day, there being in all, nearly two teams. No regular scrimmage work was done, however. The graduating class takes two of the most faithful men on last fall's squad besides at least two more men who have been out more or less on the field.

The following men will be asked to report to Coach Whitten and Manager Sanford by the evening of Sept. 8th: Hale, Prime, Bond, Lamond, Hoffman, Kitts, Gerould, Whitcomb, Bierck, Dumbell, Alexander, Wood, Johns, Small and

Brown. In case of any of these being unable to report, substitutes will be selected from the following: Smith, Nissen, Keodwell and Carthy.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF CONVOCAION OFFICERS

At the eighty-first regular meeting of the Convocation of Undergraduates of St. Stephen's College on May 9, 1914, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Pres. of Convocation—Paul Hartzell, '15

Vice-pres.—S. Whitney Hale, '15

Sec't.—Peter R. Deckenback, '15

Treas.—David R. Johns, '15

Marshall—S. Whitney Hale, '15

Members of Student Council—S. Whitney Hale, '15, David R. Johns, '15, Donald H. Morse, '16 and Arthur H. Parks, Sp.

Members of MESSENGER Board—Editor-in-chief, Gardner P. Coffin '16, Associate Editors—Paul Hartzell, '15, Edgar L. Sanford, '15, Donald H. Morse, '16, Harold M. Prime, '16, Frank Goostray, '16.

Business Manager—David R. Johns, '15.

Ass. Bus. Mgrs.—Grieg Taber, '16, Lloyd S. Charters, Sp., Lester W. Kearn, Sp. and Carlton Wetterhahn, Sp.

Member of Finance Committee—Aage C. Nissen, '17.

The "MESSENGER" extends congratulations to the officers-elect and wishes them all success for 1914-15.

TUG-OF-WAR

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forty-five feet wide and not over 4 or 5 feet deep, with a bank very nearly level on each side. The rope provided proved, on trial, to be too short, and while more was being brought, some of the underbrush on either side was cleared away so as to afford less hindrance to the contestants. The Freshmen won the selection of sides by toss and took the level south bank. This gave them a slight advantage in position, besides which, they outweighed their opponents slightly.

The teams, ten on each side, took their positions; Nissen, captain of the Freshmen, and Micholis, captain and anchor-man for the Sophomores, signified their readiness to begin and Referee Whitten blew the whistle. For a short space of time neither side showed any decided advantage over the other, though the Frosh had gained a few inches on the first pull. Then the Freshmen swung to one side a trifle and at the same time the Sophs began a steady series of jerks timed to the calls of their anchor man. "Hip! Hip! Hip! Pull!" and again, "Recover Left!" came the commands. And almost immediately the concerted action began to tell. Foot after foot of rope came in to be quickly shifted back by eager hands. The cheering by this time was a perfect din. Rooters for each side urged their favorites on, as the Freshmen fighting desperately were slowly but surely

inched down until their first two men were in the water. Nobody could have possibly heard the command, but as if controlled by a signal the Sophomores turned, shifted the rope to their shoulders, and "marched" back pulling the Freshmen after them. The cleared space was just long enough to allow them to get the last man past the middle, which made them the victors. As soon as they could get enough breath both sides cheered their opponents and then the Sophs gave their own battle-cry and the contest was ended.

Having been defeated, the Freshmen will have to continue wearing their green caps until College closes in June, unless the rule is dispensed by the Student Council. If they had won, that particular section of the Freshman rules would have become null and void, and the Specials under Sophomore rank, would have been granted an equal privilege by the Student Council.

In the evening the Sophomores came down to dinner in a body wearing on the back of their coats the large numbers which they had worn in the afternoon. May 1917 be able to do likewise next year when they are Sophomores.

WHO'S WHAT IN 1914

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President of Dragon Club, 1913-14

Vice-pres. of Convocation, 1913-14
Managing Editor of "MESSENGER," 1913-14

- Assistant Marshal of Convocation
1913-14
Director and Vice-director of
Brotherhood of St. Andrew
Member of Senior Class Day
Committee
- ERNEST MERWIN BENNETT, Stony
Brook, N. Y.
Entered Preparatory Depart-
ment, 1909
Played football (Varsity), 1909-14
Member of Athletic Association,
1909-14
Played basket ball (Varsity), 1910-
-12
Manager football team, 1911-12
- ARTHUR ALBERT BESSY, Poultney,
Vt. Entered 1910
Member Constitutional Commit-
tee of Convocation, 1912-13
Member Finance Committee,
1913-14
President of New England Club,
1913-14
Member Senior Class Day Com-
mittee
- EDWIN WILLIAM ELY, New York
City. Entered Preparatory De-
partment, 1909
Member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Fraternity
Member of German Club, 1909-10
Played football (Varsity), 1909-10
Member of Glee Club, 1910-11
Member of Athletic Association,
1910-12
Laboratory Assistant, 1911-14
Charter member of Laity Club,
1912-14
College Electrician, 1912-14
Marshal of Convocation, 1913-14
Treasurer of Senior Class
- Chairman of Senior Class Day
Committee
- WILLIAM JOHNSON GAGE, Newburg,
N. Y.
Entered 1910
Member Eulexian Fraternity
Member Tap-a-Keg, 1910-11
Winner Peace Contest, 1912-13
Member Student Council, 1913-14
Secretary of Senior Class
Member of Senior Class Day
Committee
- HENRY GLAESER, New York City.
Entered Preparatory Depart-
ment, 1908
Member of Kappa Gamma Chi
Fraternity
President of Freshman Class
Organist and Choir Master, 1909-
14
President of Sophomore Class
Leader and Accompanist of Glee
Club, 1911-13
Secretary and Treasurer of Drag-
on Club, 1913-14
Secretary of Convocation, 1913-14
- EDWIN AUGUSTUS LEONHARD, Hale-
don, N. J.
Entered 1910
Member of Eulexian Fraternity
Member of Glee Club, 1910-11
Member of Dragon Club, 1913-14
- CHARLES ELDREDGE McALLISTER,
Washington, D. C.
Entered 1910
Member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Fraternity
Treasurer of Freshman Class
Prize-winner in Elementary
Greek, 1910-11
Member of Glee Club, 1910-14

- Secretary of Sophomore Class
Prize-winner in History, German,
Latin and Greek, 1911-12
Secretary of Junior Class
Vice-president of Dragon Club,
1912-13
Literary Editor of "MESSENGER,"
1912-13
Prize-winner in Latin, Philosophy,
and Greek, 1912-13
Member of Finance Committee,
1912-13
Assistant Marshal of Convocation
1913-14
President of Senior Class
Member of Student Council, 1913-
-14
Treasurer of Convocation, 1913-
14
Editor-in-Chief of "MESSEN-
GER," 1913-14
Played football (Capt. 2d team),
1913-14
- SEWELL MEDFORD, Sewanee, Tenn.
Entered 1910
Member of Kappa Gamma Chi
Fraternity
Member of Athletic Association,
1911-12
- CHARLES GREGORY FROUT, Rensse-
laerville, N. Y.
Entered 1910
Prize-winner in French, 1910-11
Assistant Business Manager of
"MESSENGER," 1911-12
Business Manager of "MESS-
ENGER," 1912-13
Vice-president of Athletic Asso-
ciation, 1912-14
President of Junior Class
Member of Student Council, 1912-
-14
- Vice-president of Dragon Club,
1913-14
Literary Editor of "MESSEN-
GER," 1913-14
President of Convocation, 1913-14
- CHARLES WILLIAM VICTOR RICH-
ARDS, Parkersburg, W. Va.
Entered Preparatory Depart-
ment, 1908
Member of Kappa Gamma Chi
Fraternity
Member of German Club, 1909-10
Member of Glee Club, 1911-14
Member of Dragon Club, 1912-14
Alumni Editor of "MESSENGER,"
1913-14
Played football (2d team), 1913-
14
- WILLIAM WESLEY RIDGEWAY, Bos-
ton, Mass.
Entered 1910
Played football (2nd team) 1913-
14
Vice-Pres. New England Club.
- ALBERT JAMES MONTGOMERY WIL-
SON, Belfast, Ireland.
Entered Preparatory Depart-
ment, 1909
Member of Eulexian Fraternity
Charter Member of Tap-a-Keg
Member of Athletic Association,
1910-14
Vice-president of Senior Class
- On May 2d the Senior Class had
their pictures taken. There were
six groups snapped, and four poses
for each individual.
- Some members of the class have
been down (just where, they will not
say) and located the Algebra. It
is still there—where they planted it

in the Spring of 1911. A few are very much exercised over the question as to whether or not the champagne has escaped the frost, and there have been some hot arguments about expansion, contraction, air-space, resistance, combustion, specific density, atomic weight, behavior of alcohol under various conditions, et cetera ad infinitum.

The Class Day Committee is working out a regular program but as yet the arrangements are not completed.

CONCERNING TENNIS

The weather now being of the good, old, Annandale Spring variety, tennis has again become the vogue at S. S. The courts are all in fine condition, and there is hardly an hour of the day when one or more games are not in progress. The Eulexians have put up a large new screen at the south end of their court.

A tournament will be held this spring as usual but final arrangements have not been made at the time of this writing.

MESSENGER UNDERTAKES DARING WORK

Bureau of Psychical Research Filed

The "MESSENGER," having heard that the Bureau of Psychical Research had papers in its possession which the editors were desirous of

obtaining before the May number made its appearance, sent the writer to do a little detective work. At an hour when all good souls are wrapped in nocturnal slumber the papers were removed from the Bureau's underground vault. That the MESSENGER board had good reasons for acquiring these papers—the following extracts with additions—also subtractions—will no doubt make clear for they relate to no others than our present senior class and the souls that have transmigrated to them.

"Armstrong's characteristics were given considerable attention and experiment after experiment was tried in order to establish the pre-existence of the Armstrong soul and it was finally unanimously declared to be new-born as there were absolutely no marks of the worldly wise upon it."

"The soul of Bennett had its habitat formerly in a waiter at the court of Nero. He held this job, however, but one summer for, spilling consommé upon the great king he was afterwards condemned to end his days as a galley slave."

"Bessey, one time cardinal and slave in the person of Wolsey." It might be interesting to know that the experimenters had a note here remarking that changes are taking place constantly and they would not be at all surprised if the spirit at some future time should be found in a captain of the Salvation Army.

"It is related of Galileo that he was so scientific that by mixing cer-

tain fluids he could produce jokes, so poor, however, that the great soul resisted the desire to tell them. Galileo's soul, now in Ely, has grown so old that it has become weak and the heretofore silent one has become most loquacious."

Look who's here! Demosthenes, a power in the Greek world of oratory and now about to set the American nation into a spirit of unrest by his powerful speech. "America will rue the day that gave birth to Gage—Demosthenes," thus read the papers and who will deny it?

Have you ever read "The Merchant of Venice?" Now, dust your brain and tell yourself of whom Glacser reminds you. Whom did you say? So does the Bureau.

How often have I gazed upon the Catskills thinking perhaps I might catch a glimpse of Rip Van Winkle, but all in vain and now it is established that he is right here in our midst, four years of twenty slept and still no signs of working, and they tell us lapels will be out of style when he awakes. I grieve for thee, Eddie.

"Dialogue upon dialogue is expected in true Socratic fashion. Plato, idealist, writer, would-be politician, is with us and all in the person of Charles Eldredge McAllister." The Bureau adds that souls of this sort are found especially in those suffering from a wound of Cupid's dart.

Little Boy Blue is with us also and he wears a little blue cap with a gold tassel on it. Sewell, get some of the preparation put up by the Seven

Sutherland Sisters or they will not know you soon.

"Charles Gregory Prout, formerly 'Little Napoleon'." Here's hoping Convocation will not later prove your Waterloo. Hoi Greg!

"Joke of Jokers, Richards." Why *did* you cop the soul of Falstaff?

"Firm in its conviction, strongly making its influence felt in Ecclesia Anglicana", Pusey's soul is here and the mere material body of Ridgeway is giving it strength to carry on its work.

Who else could he, Albert James Montgomery Wilson, be but the spirit of Procy's great, great, great, great, great, great, grandfather. The Roast Beef Circle will soon be consoled for loss of thee by hearing of thy consecration as a bishop.

The papers have since been returned to the Bureau. If further information is desired, confer with the MESSENGER Board who may or may not put you on the right track.

DRAGON CLUB LECTURE

Anti-Suffrage Discussed

An event of considerable importance and interest just before the Easter recess was the Anti-Suffrage lecture given at College under the auspices of the Dragon Club, on Friday evening, April third, by Mrs. O. D. Oliphant of Trenton, New Jersey. Mrs. Oliphant is the General Secretary of the New Jersey

Association Opposed to Woman's Suffrage, and came reputed one of the ablest exponents of the arguments of this side of the question, which is now a burning one particularly in the north-eastern states. She was in no wise disappointing and her thorough and able presentation of her subject was especially valuable, following as it did the strong Suffrage lecture by Mrs. Aldrich who came to us last year. Mrs. Oliphant aimed at the correction of the misconceptions and misrepresentations which she attributed to the Suffrage movement, and for this purpose used a mass of statistics and examples connected with women in politics all over the country. In her lecture, she classified the Suffrage question as not at all a question of the equality of the sexes, but a political question and one to be settled entirely on the grounds of expediency. She strove to show that the Suffrage movement is the agitation of a very small minority; that the claimed advantages of Woman Suffrage have not been proven in actual practice; and that it would be a great injustice to inflict upon woman something which she neither needs nor wants for her own or the public good.

Her lecture was followed by the answering of miscellaneous questions and a short general discussion in which some of the professors and students took part.

ALGEBRA BURIAL

Freshman Interred Beloved Friend (?)
And Companion

The "MESSENGER's" special reporter was unable to be actually present at the last sad rites performed by the bereaved class of 1917 of the remains of the lamented algebra; we were consequently obliged to depend upon the more or less inaccurate accounts of the United Press Association.

Where the deceased was interred has been determined with tolerable accuracy from different sources. Certain individuals of the class have been able to prove by alibi that they were not in Eurasia, Africa, the Australian Archipelago, or South America. Unsettled conditions in Mexico preclude the possibility of that country being selected as the final resting place; the chosen spot, therefore must lie within a comparatively limited area of the terrestrial surface, probably within North America. One of the Freshman, in speaking of the ceremony, said that the class yell was given after the interment and that a number of strangers looked startled at the outburst; this constitutes proof positive that the grave is not in the neighborhood of Annandale.

The Sherlock Holmes of Sophomore Class had mislaid his needle or else missed the advice of that parasitic satellite, Dr. Watson; for whatever reason, he overlooked cer-

tain obvious clues and the Freshmen "got away with it." They left College in groups, couples and singly, between half-past six and eight Friday evening, May first. They walked to Rhinecliff by way of Barrytown Station and the railroad track, entrained for Poughkeepsie, partook of their regular fare of bread and milk at the Hudson Lunch, and proceeded by transport train to New York, where the battalion went into camp at the Mills Hotel.

The sad ceremonies took place shortly after noon on May second. As the pitiable relics were interred a suitable poem written for the occasion by a member of the class was read and the yell which startled the equanimity of the New York police force was sounded. Numerous friends were present and the floral offerings were many and beautiful. "A pleasant time was had by all."

The class feared the revenge of the Sophomores more than the rules of the College and decided to spend some time in the city until the excitement should pass away. They spent the time seeing cabaret shows, attending the various churches in the city and eating (of course). Hollis Smith, who's always lived in the country, rather liked the city; thinks that "when they made it they done darn good, considerin' the natural disadvantages of the situation." He expects to save enough from his sale of the "Binghamton Press" next summer to buy St. John's Cathedral and Grant's tomb, which especially attracted him.

THE GERMAN SQUADRON

The following was posted with the result that over fifty recruits enlisted, not counting the awkward squad.

RECRUITING STATION No. 49
Rear Admiral—"The Rear Doctor."

Conditions for enlistment:

1. Each recruit must possess a pocket edition of Xenophon's *Anabasis* from which Cyrus' Military Tactics will be carefully perused.
2. A special offer is that each recruit's salary will be increased 5% if he reports on deck every day during this great and terrible Mexican War.
3. Real German Beer will be used in the knapsacks instead of Adam's ale.
4. Each recruit may exhibit just what he knows about military tactics for the first five minutes, after which he may return home if he wishes.
5. A Great Inducement! Each recruit has the privilege of being excused just before the battle.

We understand that the Squadron will put to sea sometime within the week. We have arranged that our correspondent shall sail with the Admiral and keep us informed of all developments.

Messrs. Prout, Bossey and Mann recently attended a recital at the Collingwood Opera House in Poughkeepsie by the world-famous Paderewski.

On account of nervous breakdown Mrs. Rodgers left Annandale some time ago for a visit at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, the Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Hale, in Philadelphia, extending her trip to Atlantic City for final recuperation.

It being the sentiment of the students of St. Stephen's College, a letter of condolence was sent from that body to the wife of the late Rev. Mr. Flewelling.

SENIOR ELECTIONS

Along about the first of May two elections, one by the Senior Class and one by the student body, were held to decide several points which have been debated more or less throughout the whole year. The points to be voted upon and the returns follow.

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| 1. Best Student | 2. Most Monastic |
| 2. Best Looking | 9. Most Likely to Marry First |
| 3. Best Dresser | 10. Best Horseman |
| 4. Best Athlete | 11. Biggest Bluffer |
| 5. Most Popular | 12. Most Eloquent |
| 6. Most Likely to Succeed | 13. Best Sunday School Scholar |
| 7. Best Turkey-trotter | 14. Hardest Worker |

Senior Class Election:

1. Winner, Armstrong, who also received votes for 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12 and 14.
 2. Tie between Bessey and Ely, who also received votes respectively for 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 14; 2, 4, 6, 7, 3, 10 and 12.
 3. Winner, Leonhard, who also received votes for 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 3, 9 and 14.
 4. Tie between Bennett and McAllister, who also received votes respectively for 2, 5, 9, 12 and 13; 2, 3, 7, 2 and 10.
 5. Tie between Bennett, Bessey and Ridgeway; the latter also received votes for 2, 3, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14.
 6. Tie between Armstrong, Medford and Richards; the two latter received votes respectively for 1, 7, 8, 10 and 14; 2, 5, 3, 9, 10, 11 and 13.
 7. Winner, Medford.
 8. Winner, McAllister.
 9. Winner, Wilson, who also received votes for 1, 2, 4, 6, 10 and 12.
 10. Tie between Glaeser and Wilson; former also received votes for 3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14.
 11. Winner, Gage, who also received votes for 2, 4, 5, 10, 13 and 14.
 12. Winner, Wilson.
 13. Winner, Richards.
 14. Tie between Leonhard, Prout, and Wilson; Prout also received votes for 5, 7, 9, 11 and 13.
- Student Body Election:
1. Winner, Armstrong, who also received votes for 2, 4-14.
 2. Winner, Ridgeway, who also received votes for 3, 5-14.

"THE COLONEL'S MAID"

Friday evening, April thirtieth, the Athletic Association presented "The Colonel's Maid," a comedy in three acts, at the Masonic Hall, Madalin.

To say that the play was a success would be using too mild a term, if we are to judge by the quantity of mirth inspired by the talented efforts of the various members of the cast.

Armstrong, playing the star comic part of "Ching," was a little scholar sytem all by himself while Moises in the leading male part of "Colonel Rudd" cannot, in the opinion of the writer, receive too high praise.

One might go right thru the whole nine characters, taking each one and giving him a hearty slap of approval on the back. But, no, on second thought it might not be deemed quite proper to show our appreciation to the ladies (?) in that fashion so let it suffice to say that they did not fall below the standard of excellency set by the remainder of the cast.

During the first intermission Bourne was encored upon his rendition of "For What Thou Art," and during the second intermission "Ching" singee too."

Taken singly or as a whole the work of the fellows was of such a character as to merit the hearty praise which it received.

3. Winner, Glaeser, who also received votes for 2, 4-14.
4. Winner, Richards, who also received votes for 1, 2, 3, 5-14.
5. Winner, Prout, who also received votes for 2, 3, 6-14.
6. Winner, Richards.
7. Winner, McAllister, who also received votes for 1-3, 5, 6, 8-14.
8. Winner, Bessey, who also received votes for 1-7, 9-14.
9. Winner, McAllister.
10. Winner, Ridgeway.
11. Winner, Gage, who also received votes for 1, 3, 5-10, 12-14.
12. Winner, Gage.
13. Winner, Glaeser,
14. Tie between Armstrong and McAllister.

DRAGON CLUB RECEPTION

On the evening of Class Day, the Seniors and their friends will be the guests of the Dragon Club at an informal reception and dance.

Prof. Herbert M. Clark recently attended a meeting, at the New Paltz Normal School, of the Hudson Valley Division of the Modern Language Association.

In response to the appeal recently made by the Athletic Association for candidates for the position of assistant manager of the football team, three men, Heal, Keedwell and Nissen, responded.

BASEBALL

A series of interclass baseball games has been arranged by the Athletic Association to take place during the month of May, immediately after spring football practice.

Every team will play each of the other teams once. The ranking of the several classes will be on a scale of 10 and the number of points thus gained by each class will be added to those made in the spring track meet, and will count in determining the winner of the class athletic banner.

The following schedule has been arranged:

May 6, P. M.	Freshmen vs. Specials.
" 8, P. M.	Juniors vs. Sophomores.
" 9, A. M.	Seniors vs. Specials.
" 9, P. M.	Juniors vs. Specials.
" 20, P. M.	Juniors vs. Freshmen.
" 22, P. M.	Seniors vs. Sophomores.
" 23, A. M.	Seniors vs. Freshmen.
" 23, P. M.	Sophomores vs. Specials.
" 23, P. M.	Seniors vs. Juniors.

Should sufficient material be brought to light during this series to justify the organization of a College nine, St. Stephen's will probably be represented on the diamond next spring.

BASEBALL RETURNS

Special to the MESSENGER.

Just a short time ago the results of the first three games of the Interclass League Series began to come in over the wire. We give below the line up of each team and a brief account of the games.

SENIORS

Ridgeway, 3d b.; Prout, 1. f.; Richards, c.; Medford, 2d b.; Bennett, p.; Wilson, r. f.; Armstrong, 1st. b.; Claeser, c. f.; McAllister, s. s.

JUNIORS

Goodwin, c.; Hale, 1st b.; Decienback, s. s.; Whitten, 2d b.; Humphreys, c. f.; Rose, 1. f.; Bond, 3d b.; Sanford, r. f.; Johns, p.

SOPHOMORES

Alexander, s. s.; Gerould, 3d b.; Nicholls, 2d b.; Morse, 1st b.; Whitcomb, c.; Prime, 1. f.; Goos-tray, c. f.; Taber, r. f.; Small, p.

FRESHMEN

Wood, s. s.; Bierck, c.; Barr, 3d b.; Robb, 2d b.; Heal, r. f.; Smith, 1. f.; Hissen, c. f.; Spitzli, p.; Small, 1st b.

SPECIALS

Hoffman, p. (2d b.); Klitts, 1st b.; Dumbell, s. s.; Gehle, 2d b. (p.); Bourne, c.; Charters, r. f.; Williams, 1. f.; Child, 3d b.; Carthy, c. f.

The opening game was played on May 6th as scheduled between the Freshmen and Specials. It was a regular cleanup for the latter, score 12-6. Gehle had the better of Spitzli as far as strike-outs went.

The next round came two days later, the Juniors and Sophs being in the ring. This too, although a little more interesting, was not long in doubt. Score 3-2, the Sophs holding the big end; strike-outs, for Small, 12, for Johns 10.

The following day the Specials again took the field against the Seniors. This was by far the best game of the three, the score being only 2-1 in favor of the Seniors. Bennett, of the winners, pitched a fine game, securing 19 strike-outs. In this game Hoffman tossed the pill instead of Gehle, making 10 men return disconsolate to the bench. Each team played with but eight men.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

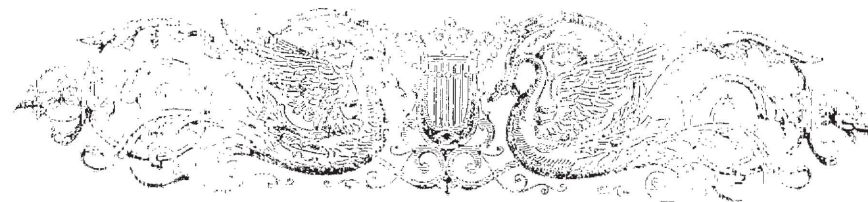
	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Seniors	1	0	1000
Sophomores	1	0	1000
Specials	1	1	500
Juniors	0	1	000
Freshmen	0	1	000

A committee has been appointed by the Athletic Association to arrange the details for the annual field day which will probably be held during the latter part of May.

A committee has likewise been appointed to arrange for the Annual Tennis Tournament.

FOOTBALL ELECTION

On April 28th a meeting of the football men was held to elect a captain for the 1914-15 season, owing to the resignation of Captain Nicholls. Hale was elected to fill this vacancy. It is useless to say anything in recognition of Captain "Spike" Nicholl's services. All who were with him in the game last year know what he is and need no reminder.



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Editorial.

I have always felt sympathetic toward anyone who wrote an autobiography. I have always wondered just what the man would have written, if he had dared to tell the truth about himself.

Now, as the collegiate year draws to a close, it becomes necessary for the retiring Board of Editors to bid our readers farewell. It becomes

necessary to consider for a moment what we have tried to do and what we have done.

It is unnecessary to say that we have "done our best." We trust that the subscribers repose sufficient confidence in us to believe that without attention being called to it.

I am not going to consider the aims we set forth in our first editorial of the year. We hope that we have improved on those aims. Broadly speaking, we have tried to give you a college paper worthy of St. Stephen's College. It is not for us to judge whether our efforts have been successful. That rests with you. But if you do think that this year's Board is leaving a better paper than it found, just show your appreciation by encouraging next year's Board to improve on the "MESSENGER" as it stands to-day.

A lack of persistence seems to be a common failing in young men of every walk of life. Everywhere, one may find those who have the brains and the training to get ahead in the world, but who are prevented from doing by their non-possession of the keep-at-it spirit that is so necessary to those who would make their way in the face of modern competition. The college man is, we think, more persistent in whatever he undertakes than the average young man, but even he seems to fail far more than one would expect

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from a man of his intelligence and serious outlook on life. One has only to read the various college papers and note the appeals to college men to be regular in their support of this or that activity in order to realize how true this is. In every college, we may find, without a great deal of searching, the wrecks of college activities ruined not so much by a lack of general interest as by a lack of persistent expression of that interest in terms of regular action.

We believe that St. Stephen's is not so badly off in this respect as is many a college. We believe that there is, here, a high realization of the seriousness of life, and that this tends to discourage a fickle support on the part of the Student Body of that which they have taken up. And yet, we too have a skeleton or two in our closet, a Glee Club, for instance, whose absence is mourned even by those very ones whose irregular, rather than half-hearted, attendance at rehearsals was at least one cause of its downfall. Even football, which has stirred up college spirit as nothing else has for years, tho it has fared far better than many of our undertakings, is not totally unaffected by a lack of persistence in the support given to it. By way of illustration, the published report of the attendance at the recent spring practice, while it shows too large an enrollment and too frequent an individual attendance to admit of a charge of lack of interest, does show a lack of regularity that must have quite percept-

ibly handicapped the excellent work of the coaching staff. To come out to practice two days, and then miss a day, to come out for the next three days, and miss another, cannot help but impair efficiency.

We are placed in a difficult position at St. Stephen's by reason of our small numbers. What seems to be a sufficiently regular support to an activity at a larger college may be almost ruinously irregular for us. We can only succeed in any of our student activities by attaining to a maximum degree of efficiency, so that whatever tends, in the least, to impair that efficiency must of necessity be looked upon with alarm. In the case of football, with its requirement of daily practice, every player must plan to be present, not quite often, but every day. In the case of a course of lectures, those who claim to be supporters of them must attend, not once in a while, "to show interest," but must be on hand at every one that is given. Whatever activity it is that we determine to support, we must be regular, be persistent, in that support, or the undertaking is bound to fail sooner or later.

In the "Editor's Letter Box" of this number will be found a suggestion that deserves the attention of every St. Stephen's man, whether alumnus or undergraduate. We all thoroughly appreciate that the immediate reputation of any college is directly dependant on the caliber of the men who make up its student

body. But if a man will stop a moment and think, he will soon realize that the finest student body in the world would be seriously handicapped unless it had the active support of a loyal alumni.

We need make no apologies for the St. Stephen's Student Body. We have a loyal alumni, too, but I'm a trifle afraid we're lacking in their active support as a united body. There are instances of splendid interest and activity in certain individuals in our alumni, whom the "MESSENGER" cannot commend too highly, but these instances are far too few.

Now, the way to interest alumni is to get them back here at Commencement and the way to get them back is to impress on them that we, as a Student Body, not only invite but actually need them here. A Convocation committee to entertain all our alumni would be a splendid innovation. Let each man do as he wishes, once he gets here, but let's all pull together and welcome each alumnus, as he puts his foot on the Campus for the first time,

in the name of the Under-graduate Body of St. Stephen's.

Do you like the new form of the MESSENGER? Apparently you do, for you have not expressed yourself to the contrary. Up to the present date only one letter has been received in regard to the changed form, and that letter was an emphatic approval. We take it for granted that all the rest of our subscribers either heartily approve of our new policy or are indifferent to the matter. Since our action has met with such favor, we will continue the present form during the remainder of the collegiate year, and we expect and hope that the new staff will in the fall take further and more radical steps to make the MESSENGER like other contemporary college newspapers. We cannot yet predict what the further steps will be, except that they will all be prompted by the same purpose which has guided us up to this point: a desire to give to our subscribers what we think they need and want—news of the College, its students, and its activities.

Alumni and Former Students Notes

'86—The Rev. Arthur Cleveland Clarke of the diocese of Vermont is *locum tenens* at St. Luke's Church, Utica, until a rector shall be called to succeed the late Rev. Angus M. Porter.

'82 | The Rev. Robert Mac
'77 | Kellar of Red Bank, N. J.,
'74 | the Rev. Harry F. Auld of
Haboro, Pa., and the Rev. Wm. M. Pickslay of Warwick, N. Y. spent two or three weeks in Bermuda, before Lent.

'72—The Rev. John S. Moody of Fayetteville, N. C. took charge of St. Peter's parish, Charlotte, N. C. during Lent. Address 510 N. Tryon Street.

'69—The Rev. Samuel Moran, aged 66 yrs. died on Friday May the 1st at the residence of C. E. Mayo, 236 Eighty-Third Street, Brooklyn.

In the June issue of "THE MESSENGER" will be found a more detailed account of Mr. Moran's death.

John Goodrich Martin and Harry Lee Rice former students of St. Stephen's were ordained to the diaconate in The Holy Communion

Church, Paterson, N. J. on April the 28th, by the Rt. Rev. Edwin S. Lanes. Both young men are students of the General Theological Seminary and are to be graduated this coming June. At the Ordination ceremonies there were several Clergymen in attendance.

The Rev. Dr. Hall of the General Theological Seminary Faculty preached the sermon.

The Rev. Carl Reiland, rector of St. George's Church, New York City, has recently purchased a farm near Winsted, Conn., where he expects to make his summer home.

Horace Windome Wood will be ordained to the diaconate on May 18th at the General Theological Seminary.

Editor's Letter Box

The undergraduate often wonders why so few of the alumni visit their Alma Mater. He looks forward to his first Commencement with the expectation of seeing a large number of older sons of St. Stephen's back for a day or two to renew acquaintances and talk over the past under the "Lyre Tree." But when Commencement comes, he is disappointed. A few are back, but a comparatively small number. As the years follow each other he finds that those who join in the Commencement procession are the same ones who were here the year before.

A few new faces may be among them, but only a few.

No St. Stephen's man will even suggest that the cause is a lack of loyalty on the part of the alumni or a forgetfulness of undergraduate days. Perhaps it is partly due to the rush of American life. New friendships take the place of old, day after day, year after year. Former friends, former associations may be thought of with longing while sitting in the twilight or before the open fire,—but work demands our time and attention with an insistence that cannot be disregarded.

Is lack of time the only reason why the alumnus is not "on deck" when the procession forms? I think not. Did you ever go back after several years to a place once familiar to you—your "prep" school for example—and find strangers in the well known places? Is it unreasonable to suppose that the alumni of our College, looking forward to finding a similar condition here, hesitate about coming back? They realize that the students neither know them nor are known to them. They are, it is true, invited to attend the annual banquets of their fraternities. But don't you think the alumni would make a greater effort if they realized that the student body as a whole wanted to see them back—every one of them? My proposal is that the Convocation of Undergraduates make known this feeling of the student body to each and every alumnus and former student, by sending him an invitation to be present with us and participate in the exercises of Commencement Week.

The Freshman Algebra burial was decidedly a "Comedy of Errors." The Frosh were so afraid of the Sophs that they didn't dare attempt to put the book in the ground anywhere within ninety miles of College, and the Sophs were so busy watching the Frosh that they let them walk off the campus right before their eyes while they were scanning the river with field glasses to prevent any escape in that direction. When the Frosh

had gotten away, they were evidently afraid of Sophomoric wrath; so afraid, that it required several days to summon up courage enough to return to the classic shades of Annandale. It has been rumored that the place of the Algebra burial is dangerously near to some sewer pipes that occasionally overflow.

The Freshmen have one consolation, anyway, because, talk as the Sophs will, it isn't the first time that 1917 has outwitted 1916. Perhaps the readers of the "MESSENGER" will recall the rancor and bitterness that several unwise Sophomores attempted to unloose against the Senior Class because of the highly commendable action of 1914 in suggesting to the unknowing Freshmen that it would be well to follow precedent and give a Freshman dance. The worthy Sophomores who saw fit to describe the Editorial expressions of the "MESSENGER" in upholding college traditions, as "literary twaddle," might do well to consider that the Freshman Algebra burial in New York cost the innocent class of 1917, approximately four times what the Freshman dance required; and this is the class that, "poor and needy as it was," was "coerced ? ? ?" into keeping up an old and established college precedent.

Incidentally, the "MESSENGER" might suggest that it would be well for the Student Council or some other responsible body of upper-classmen to draw up such rules for the regulation of the Algebra burial as

to avoid the necessity of such an expedition as this year witnessed, and to prevent the exposing of unwary Freshmen to the dangers of the "Great City."

"Crabber."

LOYALTY TO ST. STEPHEN'S

St. Stephen's needs loyal men; and she has them. But I think some of the students are guilty of a sin of omission. I refer to the "Specials" in general, and the "Status quo ante Freshman" in particular.

Among the former, there are many of whom St. Stephen's is and has a good right to be proud. If they have finished the prescribed three-year course, they have done nearly two years of college work. This gives them a good standing but they are not graduates, and ought not to pose as such. As I said I believe the sin is one of omission. They do not call themselves "St. Stephen's men" with the intention of implying that they are graduates; but the situation here is unique and is not understood by those unfamiliar with the college. Therefore a qualification of the statement, "I am a St. Stephen's man," ought to be made. If this be true for the three-year man, what must be said of those who spend less than that time here?

The second class of which I spoke were formerly called "Preps." The Faculty, for good reasons, chose to

include all students, not class-men, under the title of "Specials." This fact does not lessen the "Preps'" responsibility. When a man of grammar-school rank or perhaps a sophomore in High School, leaves home with the intention of entering St. Stephen's, can we infer that his friends will have any other than an unfavorable impression of the college? Nor is this all. The man suffers as well as the college. For these two reasons, each man ought to make a full explanation to the familiar enquiry, "Are you from St. Stephen's?"

The foregoing remarks are made with no intention of "knocking." I want to see the reputation of St. Stephen's boosted to the sky; and I believe my suggestions if honestly carried out, will help. Nor need the student fear to state his rank. Far, far better to say "I'm a 'prep'," and be accorded the standard of a classman, than "vice versa." Wasn't it Horace who said "The more you take from one end, just so much more must you add to the other?" I don't know that these were the exact words, but you see the principle. So,

"Come one and all 'St. Stephen's men' "

The "Special" and the "Prep":
Put some of "self" upon the shelf
And help St. Stephen's "prep."

Yours for St. Stephen's,

Ernest M. Bennett, '14.

BEAUTIFUL BERMUDA

INTERESTING INTERVIEW OF "THE SPARE OLD MAN" OF ST. STEPHEN'S

Doctor Hopson, who has but recently returned from Bermuda, has been kind enough to give the "MESSENGER" some facts about his trip in a short interview, which makes a very interesting article.

There are three ships which make the Bermuda trip, the *Arcadian* and the *Bermudian*, both running regularly, and the *Caribbean* which runs more or less irregularly, being often chartered by Cook's Tourists and spending the greater part of a week at the islands while the travelers visit points of interest. All the boats are large and commodious, making the passage in two days. The entrance to Hamilton Harbor is dangerous on account of the submerged coral reefs and only one of the boats can get in to dock. In fact, most of the time neither of the steamers go inside, but send in their passengers by a large tender.

Doctor Hopson went down on the *Bermudian*, sailing from New York on Jan. 14th and landing on the 16th. He reports the trip down to have been slightly rough, but as he is an excellent sailor he spent all the time possible on deck. For the first few days after he arrived the weather was abominable, the rain falling in torrents most of the time, while a cold wind blew in true tropical style. During this "rainy season" Doctor Hopson was forced to remain indoors a good deal of the time, but

still he managed to visit the two large hotels, the Hamilton and the Princess, together with several smaller houses nearby. The Princess, he says, is the most popular, being situated on the waterfront and having a magnificent view out over the bay.

Bermuda, or as it is sometimes called, the Bermudas, consists of a chain of islands lying in the form of a partly closed hand with the ends of the fingers curled sharply upwards. There are altogether about 365 islands comprising an area of about 20 square miles. The larger islands are connected by bridges and causeways. The formation of the group is of coral rock topped by a layer of sandstone. There are no mountains, the highest hills being only 200 feet high, but nevertheless some beautiful and extensive views are afforded. One in particular, and perhaps the best known, is from Gibbs Hill Lighthouse. It is claimed that the light from this station is seen from ships 36 miles out at sea.

The whole group of islands is honeycombed with roads. These are wonderful examples of engineering, and their drainage after the heavy rains is perfect. They are built of the coral stone which is soft and porous, allowing the pedestrian to walk dry shod a couple of hours after a storm. In even one hour all the surface water disappears. Doctor Hopson had some very fine photographs of these marvels and said that no automobiles were ever allowed to travel over

them; in fact, there are no autos or trolley lines in Bermuda. So, as he expressed it, "It is a paradise for bicycles and carriages."

These roads were built by convicts, of which there were at one time a large number on the islands. Much of the work was done, and in a few cases, is done yet by British prisoners there. During the Boer War, the Doctor said, "many prisoners of war were sent to Bermuda, and when the war was over they were given permission to go back home provided they took the oath of allegiance to England. This all but 2 of them did, and those 2 are still there. One of them keeps a shop in Hamilton, and is so proud of being a prisoner of war that he has those words beneath his name on his sign over the door. On his wares, which are all sorts of souvenirs, there usually appear the letters P. O. W." And here the Doctor produced a stout cedar cane as proof of his story.

Like the roads, the houses are mostly built of this coral stone. The builders work with it just like wood to some extent, sawing it and cutting it with ordinary tools, because it is so soft. But although this stone is fine and clean and beautiful always, the glare of the sun upon it is very unpleasant, the Doctor affirms. In connection with the houses, he mentioned the fact that there are no springs or wells on the islands, and the people depend entirely upon the rather profuse rains for their water supply.

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The drives, of which the islands boast, are many. The connecting bridges make it possible to go entirely from one end of the chain to the other, and there are, of course roads on both the north and south sides of the group. Doctor Hopson spoke particularly of these delightful drives, and of the strange and varied sights he saw at different times. At one place there is an estate called "Sunnyland" on which a fine collection of tropical plants may be seen; Shelly Shore also, so called because of the fine closely packed shells which form its margin. There are many caves in this section of the islands (around Harrington Sound) one of which is called Devil's Hole. "Here," said the Doctor, "you can descend quite a distance, upon payment of a quarter, and see some fish in a tank in the bottom besides a great number of stalagmites and stalactites. Some of these fish are very beautiful, especially the Angel Fish." Then he added, "But it must have been a Fallen Angel Fish, living at the bottom of Devil's Hole." Most of the caves are lighted by electricity. One other curiosity which Doctor Hopson saw was the Communion silver of St. Peter's Church on St. George's Island, the most northern of the group. This and a piece or so in another church are said to date back to the 15th century.

Bermuda is controlled by a governor having command over about

750 soldiers. The force is divided into four sections, one of which the Doctor saw at Prospect Camp. He attended service there one Sunday, and said that the music, by the band, and the singing was very fine. The band is a large one and is much in demand all over the islands for concerts. The Government and Admiralty grounds which are very beautiful are open to the public on Thursday afternoons. The public gardens are small but also very pretty.

About seven tenths of the entire population of Bermuda are colored. The Doctor says that they seem orderly, happy and contented, although not over-anxious to work.

While in Bermuda, Doctor Hopson met not a few people he knew or to whom he was known. Before he left for home he was made an honorary member of both the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club and the Hamilton Dinghy Club. These are said to be the only clubs on the islands.

The Doctor sailed for New York on the *Arcadian* on April 14th. He said the voyage back was rougher than the one down, passengers not being able to be on deck the second day. But nevertheless he enjoyed it thoroughly.

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Wm. W. Ridgeway, '14.

TO ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE

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Edwin William Ely, '14.

On the evening of May 7th, the Rev. L. F. Piper gave an informal talk before the St. Stephen's Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. His subject was "How a Brotherhood man may fulfill his rule of prayer and service here at College."

Mr. Alexander M. Hadden of New York City, national treasurer and council member of the B. S. A., will address the Brotherhood men and all others interested on the evening of May 21st in Ludlow and Willink Hall, at 8 p. m.

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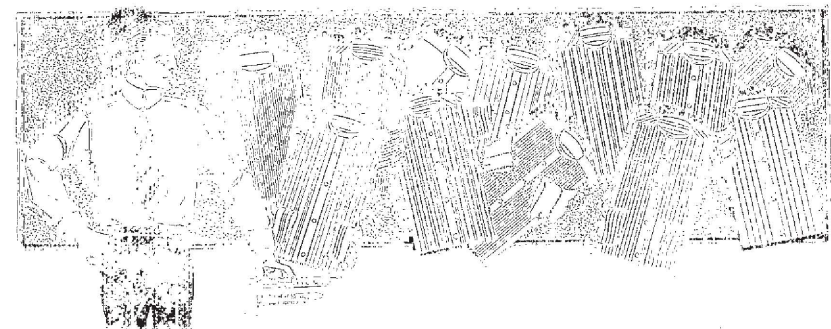
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