

dents scattered abroad will hold themselves in readiness to receive him.

The following were elected editors of this paper at the last regular meeting of the Athenæum:—A. C. Chute and Sydney Wolton, Editors-in-Chief; E. A. Corey and O. C. S. Wallace, Assistant Editors.

Prof. to student reciting in Horace:—"Mr. D., what does *communis*—(while this word was being emphatically uttered, a tardy Junior walked in.) The Professor positively affirmed that he meant nothing personal.

Flashed the lightnings athwart the sky. Rumbled and grumbled the thunder. Trembled the timid. Boldly to the wharf strode the hardy Juniors. Feared they not retreating storm-wind. Tarried they there waiting. Wrathful grew their bosoms. Leaped they on board scowling, scolding. Twisted eyebrows nervously. Sailed they away. Morn broke. Men smiled.

The Queen's birthday was celebrated a little. About twenty-five young men, mostly from the Academy, went to Parrsboro' on an excursion. The powers that be refused to allow the young ladies of the Seminary to go, even if accompanied by their teachers. This led to a lessening of zeal on the part of some, and the number of those who went was less in consequence. As a balm for wounded spirits an extra reception was granted for the evening. All the Collegians were invited. A proper number attended.

And there was walking to and fro,
And oft the voice sank sweetly low—

The graduating class held a meeting on Friday morning, June 4th, when the following officers were elected for the next three years: Convener, G. E. Croseup; Vice do., C. R. B. Dodge; Sec'y., Walter Barss; Historian, G. W. Cox; Orator, G. J. C. White; Essayist E. W. Sawyer; Poet, B. F. Simpson; Chaplain, I. C. Archibald; Treas., S. N. Bently; Chroncler, C. E. Griffin; Chorister, H. M. Chambers; Ex. Com, E. J. Morse and L. R. Shafner.

Personals.

'71. The correction of an erroneous Personal, which appeared in our April issue is necessary. From a similarity of initials we supposed that the W. A. Spinney who accepted the church at North Scituate was the same that graduated from here nine years ago. As the mistake has been brought to our notice we take this opportunity to rectify it. Mr. Spinney is not a minister, but is master of the Adams School Newtonville, Mass.

'68. E. C. Spinney has resigned the pastorate of the Pleasant St. Baptist Church, Concord, N. H., and has accepted a call to the First Church of Burlington, Iowa.

'81. We were glad to meet our much esteemed fellow student, F. W. Morse, at the Anniversary, after an absence of four months. While he thinks it very probable that he will not recover from his affliction, it is pleasing to know that with Christian resignation he cheerfully abides the will of Heaven.

Literary Notes.

The *Colby Echo* is always a welcome visitor. The May number is no less interesting than usual.

The *Beacon* is the next exchange that comes to hand. Its editorials upon different subjects, relative to college work and college education, are short and sensible. The article on "Puns" is timely. Almost everybody tries to be a punster now-a-days, and there are but few who make other than a sorry job of what they attempt in this line.

The *Haverfordian* presents an attractive appearance, and appearances are not deceptive. Although "College Reading" contains nothing now it is not on that account without value. The subject, while trite, is an important one, and one to which students cannot give too much attention.

We were rather amused at what the editor of the *Christian Messenger* said respecting the article in our last issue, entitled "An Hour with the Dictionary." It would seem that he is in the dark respecting the object for which that "massive piece of hard words and go-on" was written. Perhaps if he should be called upon to "recite it *verbatim et literatim*," his early visit to Webster or Worcester for the purpose of satisfying himself in orthoepy would suddenly bring him into light.

What the *Dalhousie Gazette* says in its exchange notes respecting the *Athenæum* seems to be a last sad wail that it has not been successful in getting up a quarrel with us. The last issue and the one preceding have boastful allusions to the amount of "plucking" done in Dalhousie. Ever since we knew anything of the organ of the Dalhousie students, it has been yauping about the same thing. The mantle of graduates falls upon successors and the howlings are perpetuated. It occurs to us that if our Dalhousie friends would give less time to this sort of thing, as also to the study of the *Terpsichorean Art* and *Gulliver's Travels*, there might be considerable less plucking even among them. Anyway, if those boasters were somewhat shrewder they would not take so much pains hold themselves up as unsuccessful, in so many instances to secure a place on the pass list; for it is not hard to get at the causes of such failures where a College is located in a city. It would seem that some of the number make themselves busy to acquire knowledge respecting other institutions; but the fact is they have such an unwarrantable conceit of their own College that they think anything they may say derogatory to the character of other Colleges will be comparatively true. If it has come to that time when students can find no other way of praising their Alma Mater than by endeavoring to run down sister institutions, the sooner all attempts at eulogy cease the better. It requires very little common sense and considerable less brains for persons to speak slightly of that which is outside the limits of their circumscribed affections—especially if they are goaded on by ignoble envy and contemptible, yet to them pleasing ignorance!