

For who would bear the scoffs and jeers of college,  
 The professor's scorn, the bright student's ridicule,  
 The pangs of mocking and unsuccessful effort,  
 The reproach of his class and the spurns  
 His family would heap upon him.  
 When he himself might safely pass  
 With a few notes? Who would tax his mind  
 And grunt and sweat wearily over books,  
 But that the dread of something following,  
 Makes us rather think of awful grinding  
 Than to leap the gulf with a pony?  
 Thus fear of "fire" makes cowards of us all;  
 And thus the mighty power of resolution  
 Is vanquished by the ghastly thought  
 Of the Prof's good eye sight at Exams,  
 And ventures of great risk and issue,  
 With this regard, expire ignominiously  
 And lose the name of action.

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FOOT BALL.

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**Annapolis vs. State.**

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Friday afternoon, November 9th, our foot-ball team left for Annapolis and after a long and tiresome ride arrived in Baltimore late that night. They reached Annapolis the next morning and spent the forenoon in company with some of the cadets who showed them around the place. The game was called at 2 p. m. in the presence of a large crowd of people, who witnessed one of the most stubborn foot-ball contests of the season. Annapolis expected a creditable victory, as they believe that they are practically invincible on their home grounds, but as the result shows, they had to be content with a tie and were very thankful that they did not have to accept a defeat. State played her usual fine game of foot-ball with one or two exceptions. The features were Hoskins' and Fisher's breaking through and tackling, and the all around playing of McCaskey, Suter and Robison. McKibben put up an excellent game at end, especially for a new man, while

Atherton did some very fine kicking. The following tells how the game was played.

Annapolis won the toss and Atherton made the kick off for State, the ball going over the goal line. Annapolis returned the kick from her twenty-five yard line. Robison makes five yards through the centre, Atherton follows suit for the same amount, and Suter goes around the end for three more. Robison tries for the end but State loses ball on downs. Annapolis can do nothing with the ball, and the playing remains on the same part of the field for some time until Suter goes around the end for ninety yards and makes a touchdown. Atherton kicks the goal. Time ten minutes. After kick off State advances the ball by short rushes for twenty yards, but loses the ball on downs, and it remains at the centre of the field until time is called for the first half. Score; State, 6; Annapolis, 0. Annapolis kicks off and State advances the ball by short rushes, but again loses it on downs. Bagley kicks, Atherton fumbles and the ball rolls over the goal line. Suter falls on it and scores a safety. The ball is rushed forward and back near the centre of the field for some time, when Williams retires, and Izard falls back from tackle to left half back, Merritt taking his place. The change proves a good one for he is given the ball and makes a forty yard run round the right end for a touchdown. The ball is punted out, but Bagley fails to kick a goal. State kicks off from the centre of the field, and this time Atherton sends the ball between the goal posts and over the bar. Annapolis kicks to the centre of the field, and State rushes it to her twenty-five yard line, loses the ball on downs and Annapolis is forced to kick. Atherton fumbles and the ball is the Navy's on our forty yard line, They rush to our five yard line, but Robison secures it on a fumble and Atherton kicks it to the centre of the field. Bagley fumbles the ball and Hoskins falls on it. The referee performs an experiment in physics and announces that there is yet one quarter of a second to play. Time is called with the ball in the middle of the field in