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Good Baseball Prospects.

Last Saturday afternoon the students had their first opportunity to "get a line" on our baseball prospects for the approaching season. Captain Hirshman had thirty men at work in the Armory and batting and fielding maneuvers were gone through. Of varsity men we have a nucleus around which to build an excellent team. Vorhis, catcher; Lynch, McCleary and Skemp, pitchers; Hirshman, first base; Kelly, second base; and Ferguson right field of the 1908 team are all in school. It is evident that good men will have to be developed for shortstop and third base, while two outfield positions are open. Eberline, a new man from Marietta College, is out for third base; Blythe from Philadelphia Central H. S., is also out for that position; Wilson of Tarentum H. S. is a likely looking youngster who is a catcher and outfielder; Barrett, last fall's quarterback at the University of Pittsburg, has entered school and is trying for the outfield; Garson from the New York H. S. of Commerce is a strong candidate for shortstop; while Watson of Kiski is another new catcher. This is just about the extent of the new material but there are also candidates who have been out before, or who were members of the Scrub team, that are likely to make good this season.

Pierce, Bray and Watson will all be strong candidates for the outfield, while Workman, Jacobs, Butz and Fuhs are men whose playing will probably mean a thorough tryout for them in the infield. Pearl Thomas is again after a position behind the bat and Leidich's work in

the box is worth watching. Glenn, Minich, McCain, McMurray, Mason, Mosser, Turner, and Bloom are other candidates for Hirshman's nine, who have played either on the scrubs or on class teams.

Cree, Haverstick, Coulson, "Bob" Vorhis and Mitinger of last spring's successful team are lost this year and it will be a big task to get men to take the places of the three best batters of '08 as well as of two of the most reliable twirlers old State ever had. With Cree and McIlveen coaching, however, and with a squad of likely-looking men to pick from, the white and blue should hold its own in the hardest list of games she has ever encountered.

The Dunbars.

The third entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. course will be given next Saturday night. The Dunbars, who give this third number, have been here before, and all those who heard them at that time were well pleased with their performance. Their bell-ringing and singing is of a very high quality. The entertainment course has been very successful so far, and the Dunbars will add greatly to its popularity.

The Pharsonians.

Notices or trials for the Pharsonians will be posted within a short time. All of the places will be filled by competition, and in view of the fact that a trip is contemplated, the management is anxious to see a large number of applicants for the positions.

The orchestra will hold a stag dance in McAllister Hall tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock.

The New England Alumni Banquet.

The New England Alumni Association entertained President Edwin E. Sparks at a reception and banquet at Young's Hotel, Boston, on Saturday evening, January 30th. Twenty five loyal supporters of the college were on hand to welcome the new executive. The presence of the ladies was a delightful innovation, and their enthusiasm and interest in "Old State" was much in evidence.

Following the banquet, Professor Dugald C. Jackson called on Cummings C. Chesney, '85, B. J. Bowen, '96, and E. M. Thomas, '08, for short talks on "Impressions of College Days." Their remarks were of much interest, containing interesting details of the life at college during the earlier and recent years.

Mr. W. F. White, '87, president of the general alumni association, was next presented. He gave a very interesting talk on the work of the association, and its future objects with reference to developing a stable and beneficial organization. The plans as outlined in Mr. White's talk were heartily endorsed by the New England members, who were thoroughly in sympathy with his movement to put the alumni organization on a substantial footing.

The guest of honor, President Sparks, was introduced as the final speaker. His address was characterized by the intense interest which predominates in his work at the college. Of particular interest was the information which he gave relative to the institution of new schools and the rapid development of the college along modern scholastic and academic lines. His reference to the increasing popularity of the state