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Basket Ball Games.

The management of basket ball had scheduled for the night of Wednesday last, two games to be played on the floor of the Utica Armory. The 'Varsity was to play the team representing the 44th Separate Company, and the team of 1904 was to try conclusions with the champions of U. F. A. The prospect of seeing two games, acted as an inducement for a body of college men, twenty-five in number, to accompany the teams. The freshmen team was well supported by members of 1904, who rooted well for both their class team and the 'Varsity.

As soon as the train pulled into Utica, all went their several ways to spend the leisure hour as profitably as possible. Several visited the free lunch counter of the whilom "Butt" in order to apprehend any person socially inclined. Others, like J. W. Van Allen, busied themselves in search of fair acquaintances whose expenses for admission to the scene of activity, they might defray. Many were so indiscreet as to dissipate their diminutive and depleted stipend on the purchase of vile-smelling cigars and sarcophagus spikes. John, however, entreated Speh the loan (?) of one of the aforesaid articles.

Eventually, with cautiously executed pace approached the crucial hour. Realizing this, all partisans hurry to the armory, where luckily for such impecunious unfortunates as Harwood, Davenport opportunely appears, and at their unfortunate solicitation condescends to escort them safely thru the toll-gate. Such amenity of nature resident in a manager presents an anomaly, and Davenport is duly and gratefully accredited for his complaisance. But for this, the following and preceding incoherent account of the proceedings might never have been penned.

The first person to cross our path of vision was the loyal "John." He was exerting suasion to the purpose that we

salute the appearance of the respective teams by the delivery of a slogan. In spite of this specious manifestation of spirit, he immediately after repaired to a secluded corner, where sat two girls, with whom he held converse thenceforth, oblivious to the rendition of the cheers, delivery of which he had so ardently advocated.

It soon transpired that the teams were to alternate their play, in order to enable the respective participants to recuperate during the interim thereby occasioned. The freshmen team and that of the Academy were to contend first. They indulged in short preliminary practice amid contemptuous shouts directed by the academic contingent against the former, and plaudits given the latter. In recognition of this hostile spirit, and as a means to quell it, if possible, one of the 44th announced that any one detected hissing or making similar demonstration would be summarily ousted. This proved to be but an idle threat.

The referee blows his whistle and the Academy and freshmen teams prepare to play the first half. The play begins at 8:15. There was from the outset an apparent lack of associated effort on the part of the freshman team, and the fact that the Academy team excelled in team-work, insured it the victory. The game was, however, characterized by dash and rapid play thruout. Within a minute's time, the Academy had scored a basket. Then followed a series of fouls committed for the most part by members of the freshman team. Each team scores on a point as a result of the other's foul. When the whistle announced the conclusion of the half, the score stood 5-1 in favor of the Academy.

The 'Varsity and Armory teams now take the floor for preliminary practice which lasted long enough to try the patience of the spectators. The contest starts with a fierce rush, resulting in an immediate score by Hamilton. This is quickly followed by a similar feat on the

part of the Armory team. The 44th is penalized for foul. Mac fails to throw the basket, but Hunter secures the ball and deposits it within the receptacle. The play proceeds with spirited dash, and Peet finally scores another basket. Another foul on the part of Hamilton. Now comes a brief cessation of hostilities ascribed to no particular cause. Play is again resumed and the participants rush swiftly back and forth. The ball sails toward one of the windows, and in the rush to gain possession of it, Busch runs his arm thru the glass, thereby receiving a slight injury to that member. This necessitates another lull. After temporarily bandaging the wound, Busch resumed his place, and the game continues. Numerous fouls were committed by both sides. The elder Mac now makes several phenomenal throws, two reaching the mark and the remainder failing, merely because of the perversity of the sphere. With a few more fouls, resulting in no increase in the score, the first half ends.

After a brief intermission the academy and freshman teams take the floor for the final half. The first event is the commission of a foul by an academy man. Evans fails to throw the basket. The academy team now evidences its team work to great advantage, scoring two consecutive baskets. Fouls became so frequent as not even to occasion comment. At this juncture Heyl retires and is substituted by Dowling. Knox also receives the mantle of Pritchett. Utica, taking advantage of this reorganization, plays with such skill that two more baskets are added to the score. Immediately after Evans throws a basket as result of a foul on the part of one of the academy team. This ends the game with a final score of 11-2 in favor of U. F. A.

Interest and attention now centre about the 'Varsity and 44th. Capt. Foley plays a superb game from start to finish. His impetuosity leads to the perpetration of several fouls, but he accepts the

inevitable with laudable nonchalance. The armory team scores the first basket. This is followed by a successful throw from foul by the elder Mac. Not content with this he proceeds to throw a basket. In the scrimmage which follows Mac is slightly injured but soon resumes his place. Tommy, in emulation of his brother, now shoots the globe into the basket. This acts as an incentive to the members of the armory team and by clever team work and excellent throws they score three times in quick succession. Mac scores one more basket from the floor and one from foul. The game ends with a score of 18-10 in the 'Varsity's favor.

During the course of this last half many incidents arose to afford the spectators diversion and to provoke even merriment. Tommy, suddenly pressed with unwonted activity, endeavors to work off his exuberance of spirits by gamboling across the floor, occasioning his partner no little inconvenience and discomfort.

Both games were full of exciting features. Baskets were thrown when it seemed impossible to do so; on the other hand, the ball would often deliberately roll around the rim of the basket, poise itself there for a moment and then break the suspense by falling back upon the bristling mass of arms outstretched for its reception.

Aside from the spirit of hostility by which the attitude and remarks of the Uticans were characterized, the affair was immensely successful, even in a social way, as Harwood and J. W. Van Allen can testify. A large representation of Utica's fair sex was in attendance, well-nigh outnumbering the male portion. A conservative estimate would number the assemblage of spectators at one thousand.

Mr. Guile acted as referee at both games. "Doctor" Andrews officiated in capacity of umpire in the game of 'Varsity vs. Armory and Mr. Disbrow discharged similar duties in the game of Freshmen vs. Utica Free Academy.

It was discovered at the close of the games that J. W. Van Allen had prevailed upon the management to appoint him one of the custodians of time. Mr. Taylor, however, took the burden of responsibility in this duty, as John was too preoccupied by matters alien to his office.

The respective teams lined-up as follows:

'Varsity (18). 44th Separate Co. (10).

Peet.	} Forwards. }	Cox.
Busch.		Alexander.
Hunter.		Foley, (Capt.)
	Centre.	
	Guards.	

McLaughlin, (Capt.)	Dunmore.
T. McLaughlin.	Supple.

Freshmen (2). U. F. A. (11).

	Forwards.	
Kelly.		Lowery (Capt.)
Evans (Capt.)		Brennan.
Wicks.	Centre.	Pinckney.
	Guards.	
Sherman. (Heyl), (Knox).		Griffin.
Pritchett. (Dowling).		Adams.

Peet and T. McLaughlin played the best game for the 'Varsity. Foley was the dominant figure in the Armory team.

Kelly and Evans were the main-stays of the freshman team. Pinckney and Lowery did the best work for U. F. A.

Help the Team!

The basket ball team has played but one scheduled game thus far this term. At that game were present but twenty members of the college body and these for the most part representatives of the sophomore class. The team which contested for the honor of Hamilton was comprised of sophomores. This should have summoned even more of their classmates to act the part of spectators. But aside from that the college should manifest more enthusiasm and loyalty.

Now that this game has attained the rank of a regularly constituted branch of college athletics it should receive our support, not only financially, but also in attendance at the games. If the attitude of the college body toward basket ball is to continue passive and apathetic what can be expected? It is a sad commentary on the loyalty of the student body when we must acknowledge that among the spectators "kids" from town predominated. We must deplore this condition and at the same time confidently trust that this passive attitude will be discontinued.

With a number of scheduled college games confronting the team, and in view of the reputation which depends upon victory or defeat, the champions of our cause assuredly merit our loyal interest, to say nothing of our consideration.

Let there hereafter be a goodly number of enthusiastic spectators at the games, and if possible, at the practice. Let us not impress the participants with the conviction that we consider them merely playing for their own amusement. Turn out in force at the next game.

An Intellectual "H."

No one will question that the granting of the "H" to athletes under certain conditions is a just and wise practice, as a means of arousing an interest in athletics, of encouraging men actively to participate, judiciously to train, and enthusiastically to play, it is an acknowledged success. As a distinctive and exclusive badge of precedence in its peculiar realm, it is both successful as a stimulus and deserved as a reward. Most students, athletically inclined, look upon the attainment of the "H" as a splendid goal of their athletic endeavors, and having once won it, prize it as a worthy and distinguished honor. All colleges have inaugurated and maintain the custom and recognize its potency to stir and spur men to their best.

Its effectiveness in one sphere of college life is a safe warrant for the belief that it could effect equally as desirable results in other no less important spheres. Take oratory and debating. Without seeking to smother ourselves with self-thrown bouquets, or the self-sprinkled incense of praise, nevertheless, we have long claimed and been considered by others, to stand in a very large measure for efficiency in the general department of speaking. Moreover, no one will maintain that those distinguished in college for oratorical or polemic talents will bring less distinction to the college, or shine less brightly as representative collegians than those distinguished in athletic pursuits.

Today, quite all the larger institutions confer peculiar and exclusive marks of distinction upon their representatives in oratorical or debating contests. A distinctive cap or sweater, or both, is usually the reward of those who make the team, or win the prizes in local or inter-collegiate contests. Here at Hamilton, we hold every year three final contests in declamation, one in oratory, one in debate, to say nothing of preliminary contests in declamation and inter-class contests in debate. Moreover, all this forms an organic part, or is the culmination of a large part of our college work.

Here, surely, if anywhere, in our college life or curriculum, there is room and reason for artificial encouragement. Books may be prizes, but they are not incitements. No student loses sleep or flesh for their sake. The invisible honors of victory are potent, perhaps, but slight, as incentives, compared with the

concrete and blazoning tokens of the cap and sweater. And the latter would be, because less numerous and more exclusive, therefore, more distinguished and more zealously striven for, than the similar honors of other departments.

We have often called attention to this matter and expressed a desire to see the students concur in a movement to establish a system of prizes of this nature in the departments of speaking and debating. We are not aware of the methods employed by colleges where such systems obtain, but we are greatly impressed with the justice and desirability of such a scheme, and we make no doubt that if the student-body were sufficiently interested, rules could be easily formulated, and a just system easily devised and proper provisions made for its inexpensive support and absolute permanence.

Basket Ball Schedule.

Feb. 2, Colgate at Hamilton.
7, Potsdam at Clinton.
20, Mt. Vernon at Clinton.
23, Colgate at Clinton.
28, St. Lawrence at Clinton.
Mar. 8, Seventh Sep. Co. at Cohoes.
9, Dartmouth at Schenectady.
16, Open.

No Presentation "Prom." Week.

The Dramatic Club will attempt this winter the play of "Betsey," a first-class comedy. Rehearsals have already begun. Keogh will assume direction, and there has been issued already a call for candidates for the four or five female parts. Of last year's company, there remain Stowell, 1901, Keogh, 1901, Drummond, 1901, Gilbert, 1902, and Harwood, 1902. These will be assigned male parts. A combination of circumstances has delayed even the initial steps to a point where it seems almost hopeless to attempt to produce the play during junior week. This is disappointing, at least. The plan had been to give, during some afternoon of the dance week, a matinee entertainment, in which both musical clubs and dramatic club should participate in conjunction, and that such an attractive scheme must now fall through perforce, causes great disappointment. The club will not be ready, probably, until after Washington's birthday.

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IT IS now announced that the Junior Prom, committee purpose to charge four dollars each for tickets of admission. This increase, of course, is arbitrary; but the college will not object, providing the committee donates to the Athletic Association for the purpose of paying off the baseball debt, all profits accruing from the dance. It is generally understood that the committee have this purpose in view, owing to the insistence thereupon of the college body. No better scheme could be devised for raising this debt, for this coming Junior Prom. will make money as no other college dance before has done, and this profit will go a long way toward liquidating this burdensome debt.

WE HAVE the audacity to express our opinion of one of the stories published in the last issue of the *Lit.*, namely, that entitled, "Miss Spaulding." With all due regard for the *Lit.*, the stories that have appeared in it during the year are anything but equal to those of similar publications in other colleges. The *Lit.* is part of the college, and as such, we take an active interest in it; and we do most seriously object to having such stories as the above mentioned sent out as a sample of Hamilton authorship. The style of writing might be excused once in a while, but it is generally far below what it should be. The plot is extremely hackneyed. Stories in such publications should be interesting, not necessarily instructive, but certainly free from all taint of trashy literature. That is the worst fault with the tale in question. It is just such a thing as one would expect to find in the commonest, cheapest kind of papers, with which a college man should not waste his time. If an author of note should produce a piece of fiction containing similar ideas,

it would be declared immoral and pernicious, and rightly so. Fortunately, the article in hand is too insignificant to harm any one. We respectfully beg the *Lit.* board to employ care and discretion in the choice and insertion of its short stories; or else to adopt the policy of writing its own fiction.

THE basket ball team has acquitted itself nobly, considering the difficulties and vicissitudes under which it has labored. Those who accompanied the team Wednesday night can vouch for that aside from the fact that achievements and results attest the perseverance and fidelity of its members. The men who champion our cause in this branch of athletics therefore merit our financial support and any that we can offer by attendance at practice and game. The management with judgment and economy has equipped the team and it devolves upon us to defray the expenses incurred thru this equipment. Concededly there is no necessity for such extensive appropriations as are demanded for the successful management of other branches, but we should now be prepared liberally to subscribe for the support of the team. The manager will undoubtedly solicit subscriptions in the course of a few days, and it is not for us to deny him audience as well as aid. If everyone subscribes to the best of his ability, waiving the consideration of amount, we need apprehend no difficulty as to the issue. The basket ball team is burdened with the maintenance of our athletic reputation by reason of the number of games scheduled with college teams, and this fact should influence us in matters of donation.

Reciprocate the complaisance of the manager and the event will be satisfactory to all concerned.

There is to be a game in the Gym. Thursday night with Potsdam Normal. Let there be gate receipts aggregating more than three dollars, as the guarantee calls for the sum of twenty-five.

THE 1901 *Hamiltonian* Board has decided that it has two things upon which to congratulate itself, namely, that one of its members, Alfredric Smith Hatch, 2nd, Art Editor, had money enough last fall term to settle up the last remaining promissory note given by the board—which said debt to said Hatch, be it mentioned, is still unpaid—and the fact that last week the business manager re-

ceived a communication from the board in charge of the annual at the University of Kansas, we believe, to the effect that of all the annuals examined by the board, who are getting out the first annual published at this institution, the 1901 *Hamiltonian* attracted them most, for style, design, binding, arrangement and composition; and that they intended to model their year-book after that of the class of 1901, Hamilton. This is at least a partial compensation for labor performed, worry and anxiety caused, money sunk, and gratitude never given; and the board are feeling relieved, if not happy.

Buildings—And Other Things.

We have observed lately several teams engaged in drawing stone into a huge heap just south of the running track and behind Science Hall, and we have wondered with others over the why and wherefore thereof. Is Prex going to astonish us soon with a new Chemical Laboratory? Or are these stones to complete the forlorn and desolate beginnings of the much-vaunted Commons Hall? Just to have our curiosity satisfied, we should like to know. Of course, we need buildings—some; we need scholarships—lots; but one thing we need badly and which doesn't receive much attention and comment, unless perchance in the privacy of those circles chiefly concerned, is a substantial increase of the pittances now paid our meritorious professors to a sum that is approximately commensurate with the service rendered and with the dignity of the position, a sum that would make our instructors independent and not subject to the inconvenience that must result even from the requests and exactions of the organizations and publications of the college whose teachers they are. You can't expect the faculty to be bold and independent in faculty meeting and to conserve loyally the student interests, when they feel that by the college they are starved, and by the students, robbed. Let buildings slide, and let the professors' salaries be increased!

What Shall the Student Read?

College men don't have much time to read. This is a fact. Examination and observation of the average student's life and daily habits will convince one that he does not read much, except in the

course of his lessons, and, moreover, that he doesn't have much time to read. It is easy to say that he wastes a lot of time which he might employ profitably in reading. He does not waste so much time as he seems to waste. A man is physically unable to sit with his eyes glued to the pages of his book all day; he must have some relief, some relaxation; and so it is that our most conscientious and hard-working students are seen so often "wasting time" thus. It isn't wasting time at all; it is needed rest. The fact, as we have stated, is demonstratively true. But the question is now to be considered: What books should be read by the college man in his moments and periods of leisure, vacations and the like?

We advise, first, a thoro reading of the newspapers, the best newspapers of the day. It is astonishing to observe how many students in this college are absolutely ignorant of important matters, contemporaneous and vital in interest. We read in rhetorics about the "vice of newspaper English." Partially true. But the fact remains that newspapers are indispensable, as giving current information; their diction is sharp and forceful—important points—and they contain much that a continual reader thereof absorbs unconsciously and to his help and advantage some day. Newspaper reading should become a habit.

Second, we advise that college men shun the "novel of the day." Granted, that in his home society he may appear to disadvantage because he "isn't up" on current "literature." Granted, that he may possibly miss a fine historical sketch, a beautiful description; nevertheless, if he put his time upon the great works of fiction, which in nine cases out of ten he hasn't read, he will be able to put these shallow connoisseurs of recent literature in the shade, by his acquaintance with and knowledge of something that will endure with the race and with the language, and by the depth of thought, of feeling and of character that comes only from the works of the masters, and which his friends, so different in their taste and practice, do not feel and possess, nor can. There is some fiction that educates, as well as history; but it isn't the novel of the day. The latter-day love-story creates an unhealthy excitement, an abnormal acceleration of pulse, but leaves a reaction, a "morning-after" effect that is weakening, mentally and morally. These books don't do any good; and that's why it doesn't pay to read them.

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Trains arrive at Clinton from Utica, 8:30 a. m., 12:40 p. m., 5:24 p. m., 11:50 p. m. From Rome, 8:20 a. m., 5:10 p. m. From South, 7:50 a. m., 11:20 a. m., 2:40 p. m., 6:25 p. m.

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College Notes.

—Beach, '04, has recovered from a brief illness.

—Uncle John wants some coat hooks in the Y. M. C. A.

—Houghton will give a reception on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

—Sippell, '01, attended a dance at Iliion Thursday evening.

—Lewis strenuously objects to being called the "missing link."

—Why isn't the Hall of Philosophy properly heated on cold days?

—We are glad to see this winner so many new sleds built on the proper plan.

—Several freshmen and Jimmie Catlin have come to grief while coasting this week.

—Lambert is going into the broad grin in the coming gym. show to be given by Uncle John.

—The dramatic club held a preliminary rehearsal at the Chi Psi House last Monday evening.

—Wright, '98, visited the hill a few days ago. We are all very sorry to learn of his ill health.

—The D. K. E. juniors had a delegation picture taken last Saturday. Results disappointing to Nelse.

—The writing of underclassmen for the college papers is an excellent thing and should be encouraged.

—Pretty: "How many New York state senators are there?" Stowell.—"One from each senatorial district."

—Davenport, business manager of the *Lit.*, managed to get two dollars out of Shylock Augsbury last Wednesday.

—Smelzer recently sent down an order for a pound of coal to be delivered at the southeast door of North College.

—During a conversation yesterday "Kitty" Keith remarked that Lot's wife turned to rubber before turning to salt.

—Houghton had a coasting party last Tuesday night, gallants from the college officiating as steersmen and drawers of sleds.

—H. J. Skinner, '01, has been prevented from returning by the grip. Dunn, '01, seems to have been prevented by something.

—D. T. Hawley is attempting to impart some of his extensive knowledge of vocal music to the aspiring youth of Vernon Center.

—Invitations are out from Alpha Delta Phi for Wednesday evening, Feb. 13, and from Psi Upsilon for Wednesday evening, Feb. 13.

—The basket ball game scheduled to be played with Cornell last Saturday had to be cancelled. All but two of the team were ill with the grip.

—Prex suggests that the girls who come on for Junior Prom. "may be angels unawares." Is our honored president to be accused of gallantry, or what?

—Because of illness, Rev. Dr. Thomas C. Hall, of New York city, was prevented from preaching in the chapel last Sunday, as announced. Prexy gave a corking sermon instead.

—The fellows electing Psychy are relieved to see him out again. Great anxiety was felt lest he would be unable to inculcate his valuable ideas on the Introduction to Philosophy.

—Pretty says in a discouraged manner and in a confidential tone to his class of sympathetic seniors that his enforced attempts to pretend to omniscience are neither fascinating nor successful.

—McLaughlin puts on a shirt and collar for debate Wednesday afternoon, January 30th; in memory of which this date was carefully and heavily marked in red ink on our editorial calendar.

—Stowell is taking exercise and baths regularly nowadays. He believes that his condition is poor, and that unless he reduces flesh his corpulence during dance week will vitiate his wit and charm of manner.

—On Thursday, Jan. 24, the Hamilton chapter of Delta Upsilon gave a coasting party and informal dance to some friends from Waterville. Prominent among those present were Prof. C. Miller, '99, who is teaching in Waterville, C. P. Morse, and Lock, Amherst '00.

—Busch and Burgess attempt a little merriment at the expense of a freshman in one of Snitz's recitations and are immediately threatened with a thumping by that gentleman. We see where two fellows get "plucked."

—It has been decided by experts that "Dingle" Augsbury is in love. The symptoms are perfectly obvious and unless they are deceitful it is a bad attack. His friends are really very much worried concerning his condition.

—Another trait in the character of Harwood has developed. Signor has bewitched him. The latter inveigled Harwood into a scheme indicative of lunacy, namely, to play a game of golf. They intend next time to carry a stove with them. Davenport is similarly deranged.

—F. H. Cunningham, '99, former captain of the Varsity football team and for a brief period a cadet at West Point, testified before the House committee appointed to investigate the hazing at the military academy. His testimony was quoted and commented on by all the leading papers.

—Bill Quinn had the grace to admit the other day that he didn't have any policy with regard to the Philippines that he should want the government to adopt. It is interesting to note, at the dawn of the new century, how modest and conservative are the opinions of our greatest and most famous statesmen, and of our master minds.

—The program for junior week is as follows: On Tuesday evening dances will be given by the gentlemen of Theta Delta Chi and Delta Upsilon, on Wednesday evening by the Chi Psi, Psi Upsilon and Alpha Delta Phi fraternities. Thursday evening Junior Prom. will take place. It promises to excel any winter dance ever held in this college. On Friday evening the gentlemen of Sigma Phi will give their party.

—The Prom. committee has decided to raise the price of its tickets to \$4.00. There seems to be a popular idea that this is exorbitant. But the committee say it has been found that even at this price 71 tickets must be sold in order to come out even. This price is due to an increase in the number of pieces in the orchestra. There are to be ten. Besides this leather dance cards are to be used, so that in every respect the Prom. will be as attractive as the Senior Ball.

—Definite information has been received as to the possibilities of scheduling a football game with Amherst. No

greater testimonial of the wholesome regard which the eastern colleges have for our football team and its prowess could be given. Our manager specified in his communications that he would schedule a game with the Amherst football team, on any terms, at any place and at any time they should chose. Despite these manifold concessions Amherst has submitted a final refusal to negotiate further. What is the cause of such absolute reluctance?

—The Rev. E. P. Powell has a most interesting article in the February number of the *New England Magazine* on Clinton, "The First Village Founded by New Englanders on their way Westward." Mr. Powell vividly describes Oriskany Valley and surroundings, gives a clear history of the section and the beginnings and growth of its settlement. The article is amply illustrated. Pictures of Dr. Peters, Grover Cleveland, Dr. Scollard, Elihu Root, Clinton Scollard, Gen. Smyth, Prof. Morrill, the homes of Prof. Saunders, Dr. Brandt, Clinton Scollard and others, appear. The history and description of Clinton and surroundings is one of the completest ever written.

—Prex. put the seniors of the debating section thru a course of sprouts last Wednesday. First, they had each to rise and speak for two minutes, without questions, upon some topic assigned from the text-book. Next each had to rise and speak for two minutes on some such subject as "The British Law of Succession," "Sympathy with the Boers," "The Outcome of the Philippine Problem;" all this without preparation. Then more men had to get up and repeat in one minute what the former men had said in two minutes. Then everybody was raked over the coals. Next came an extemporaneous debate on the question, "Is College Football a Good Thing?" After six men had debated, two minutes each, Prex called for additional points on either side. Then the debate was criticized by Dick Drummond. Prex. then talked for ten minutes, declined to cut the class during Prom. week, and went home.

—Pretty, in Municipal Law: "Marvin, for what is the Justinian Code remarkable?"

Marvin: "Why, er—its remarkable because it is still in use in certain Asiatic countries."

(Chorus of horse laughs, and caustic remarks by Pretty.)

"Something to Cry Over."

—Ask Harwood whose boy he is?
—An authority on Houghton—Warren Mac.

—Who owns the dog? Ask Psychy and White.

—"Pop" Clark has taken up his residence in the house left vacant by Willis, '99.

—They say that "Bugs" is soon to organize a "suicide club" for biological purposes.

—It is said that Cupid has pierced the heart of Warren, '02, and that the arrow came from New York Mills. How about it, "Witty"?

—Slaughter speaks of a "pump handle" gesture in his criticisms on chapel oratory. 'Tis a good gesture, Bill, when you're thirsty.

—What has become of Dunnie? Can it be that we have lost our Houghton attachee? Come back to the land of milk and honey, "Fritz"!

—"Tug," in delivering a "dec." on Wednesday, reached the words, "silent and motionless," and suddenly forgot what came next. 'Twas as good as a gesture, "Tug."

—How about the camp-stool at New York Mills?—but the man who knows most about it is a good friend of the reporter, and we will content ourselves by telling him that we are "on to him."

—N. Drummond appeared Wednesday morning with a "boiled shirt" and borrowed necktie. His classmates knew that Nelse was on debate, chapel stage, or suffering from mental aberration. We are glad to say that a chapel oration was the cause.

Mule's Feet.

—Why haven't we a press association?

—Why don't we have a college congress?

—When will we have lights in North college?

—Why don't the baseball team begin practice?

—When will "Pretty" cease groaning in the class-room?

—When will the papers in the Y. M. C. A. be left unmutilated?

—Why don't Peter Kelly keep the ashes off the highway in the rear of the Gym?

—When will the discipline committee look more carefully into the causes and judge more equitably?

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