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Williams, 33; Hamilton, 0.

The score of the Hamilton-Williams game but faintly indicates the real character of what was really a hard-fought contest, one replete with brilliant and sensational plays, signalized by heroic deeds on the part of Hamilton in the face of inevitable defeat, and on the part of Williams by magnificent football, such as is rarely our good fortune to have seen and admired. The calm judgment of those who knew and understood thoroughly the condition of both teams predicted a Williams victory by twelve or eighteen points; but even the most dubious of that gallant band of rooters that accompanied the team to Albany scarcely imagined that Williams would win by the score which was finally tallied against us. But eleven points were practically presented to Williams within two minutes of play, those scored by the field goal—one of the most remarkable ever secured on the gridiron—and by the run of O'Neill for a touchdown from the kickoff immediately succeeding Peabody's beautiful drop kick, when the Hamilton team was dazed and confused by that unexpected five points so suddenly made. We entered the contest with cripples in half the positions on the team. Capt. Drummond, Ward, Wills, Peet, Naylor and McLaughlin were all suffering from injuries and had been saved from injuries and had been saved from the practice scrimmages during the entire week preceding the game. Gilbert had been able to attend but two practices. Lambert at tackle was still crude. And the team, having been nursed as it was to be able to get into suits for the game, quickly succumbed to Williams' fierce attacks. But even if the team had been in perfect physical condition we couldn't have beaten the team which Williams put into the field; it was a better team than ours.

About 2500 people assembled at Ridgefield to see the game. The weather was perfect for the spectators but warm for

the players. Union came over from Schenectady *en masse* to cheer for Williams, but amusingly enough their cheers for the purple elicited no cheer from the Williams cohorts in recognition. Union seemed to have but few friends.

Wilson of Wesleyan and Ely of Yale were chosen as officials, Wilson acting as referee during the first half. Ely refereed in the second half. Twenty-five minute halves were played. The two captains shook hands and called the coin shortly after three o'clock. Nelse won the toss and chose the west goal, with the sun and wind.

O'Neill kicked off amid a thundrous Hamilton cheer, led by the patriotic John. Tommy carried the ball back to the 35-yard line. Strick tried the end for a yard, and Peet on a mass play thru right tackle made one more. Both plays went too slowly. DeVotie slammed thru centre for four. Strickland failed to gain, but Davy circled O'Neill for 17 yards. This looked like business and the Hamilton crowd set up a prolonged cheer. Davy tried another mass on tackle but was stopped dead. He then punted 30 yards and as soon as Peabody's hands closed over the ball he shot into the air and fell heavily backward, Nelse and Naylor striking him at the same time with two beautiful spring tackles. He fumbled the ball, and Davy, quick as a flash, picked it up and ran down the field for a touchdown. The crowd went wild and all Homilton said, "Well, it is going just as it did last year." But there had been holding by Hamilton, and Ely brought the ball back and gave it to Williams. Watson tried Nelse's end but was thrown heavily for a loss. Then began a series of long gains thru the tackles. Naylor was boxed and circled for a 10 yard run. O'Neill, on a double pass around right end made ten more. The Williams backs were pushed thru our tackles for the first touchdown. Moore kicked the goal.

The play leading up to this touchdown was repeated during the whole game and

showed at once Hamilton's weak points and Williams' strong plays. On guard-back and tackle-back plays thru tackle and around end, and on double passes Hamilton's defense was crushed and Williams soon scored the second touchdown. O'Neill punted out to Moore, but failed at goal.

DeVotie sent one of his 60-yard kick-offs over Williams' goal line, and Peabody punted from the 20-yard line. Peet gained three on a mass play, but was thrown for a loss in an attempt to run the end. We lost the ball on downs. Williams worked the ball to our 27-yard line and then fumbled. Like a flash Nelse dove into the heap and secured the ball. Flix was drawn back and gained a yard and a half but Ward started so slowly that Williams broke thru on him and threw him for a loss. Strickland failed to gain. Peet punted to Williams' 65-yard line and Peabody was downed by Nelse with such force that he fumbled the ball. Lambert came up so slowly that he missed the chance to score a touchdown and Williams recovered the ball. Moore was here taken out and Jayne substituted. Watson tried the end but was thrown prettily by McLaughlin. Both were hurt and Gutterson was put in for Watson. Hamilton held for downs. Tommy tried the quarter-back trick but was stopped by O'Neill. DeVotie and Peet made first down thru left tackle. Strickland failed to gain, and Davy tried for a field goal, but the kick was blocked. Gutterson tried the end and was thrown violently out of bounds by Davy. By alternate short and very long gains thru tackle and around end on guard-back formations and double passes Williams carried the ball down to Hamilton's goal line. Here Hamilton held pluckily, but the ball was finally pushed over for Williams' third touchdown. O'Neill failed at goal. DeVotie kicked to Lawrence on the 10-yard line. Mass plays on tackle netted a few yards, when time was called.

Nelse was led off the field sobbing with rage and disappointment. The team were pretty well battered. Nelse was playing with two sprained ankles and with arms and elbows so injured that he could scarcely hold on to a man when he had tackled him. Naylor had been roughly used on his end. Our tackles were being boxed with neatness and dispatch and had been unable to break the interference once. Hatch had found that he could attend alone to Lambert and Wilbur was taking off Peet when Williams tried Nelse's end. This left Nelse the impossible task of smashing an interference magnificently formed and intact when it struck him, and downing the runner. How he ever succeeded in doing it all, crippled as he was, is a source of wonderment yet to all who beheld. But his great strength and perfect mastery of his position enabled him to dissolve Williams' interference in all cases save the double passes, where his unaided efforts sufficed not to stop O'Neill.

On the other side Fat was being boxed effectually by O'Neill and Spencer, and Bunko, instead of diving in at the play, was waiting for the play to meet him, with the result that he was bowled over every time. Naylor, thus left unsupported, was unable to wade thru the swift and powerful organization that rushed around his end. Naylor and Tommie stopped the plays thru Ward, tho Fat, despite his crippled condition, broke thru several times and wrought havoc with mass plays. Nelse made almost all the tackles on plays thru Lambert, Davy being too light to penetrate the compact mass that came forging thru. There was not enough of swift "cutting over," a thing which has been urged emphatically and repeatedly thru-out the week. The centre was impregnable and bent Williams' centre back at every play, and Wills and Gilbert cut over to stop a good many plays thru tackle and around end. They were just a trifle slow in breaking thru, however.

Early in the second half Post was substituted for DeVotie. Williams continued to batter the tackles, abandoning entirely all plays thru centre, as these all failed. Immediately Gutterson circled left end for a touchdown, running 85 yards. Here Hamilton's failure to "cut over" swiftly was rendered more marked. Goal kicked.

O'Neill was downed by Gilbert and Tommy on the 30-yard line and thrown for a huge loss. Tommy had his collar-

bone broken in this play and Dick Sherman went in. Jackarat went in for Graves. Peabody punted for 40 yards and Strick was downed in his tracks. Wills gained two yards. Dave failed and Williams held for downs. Jackarat tried Nelse, but was downed with a thud for a 5-yard loss, having to call for time out as the result of the tackle. Nelse and Naylor were fast becoming exhausted now. On the next play Naylor threw a man out of bounds, but was injured so that he had to retire. Guards-back stopped for a loss. O'Neill tried Nelse but was rolled over for a 10-yard loss. Gutterson made a long gain thru tackle. The ball was now on Hamilton's 3-yard line and we held for downs, the plucky stand eliciting roars of applause from the crowd. Peet punted from behind the goal line to the 40-yard line, and Nelse tackled Peabody in his tracks, but his arms and legs were so weak that he couldn't hold fast, and Peabody scrambled down to the 3-yard line again with the ball. Every play made by Williams was hurled back for a loss, and Hamilton went wild over the magnificent defense. Peet punted again for 40 yards but Peabody ran it back 25 yards after shaking off Nelse. And then occurred one of the hair-raising plays of the game. Davy forced Peabody toward the sidelines and launching his body with fearful momentum he left his feet full a rod away from the Williams full-back, struck him at the knees, and by his fearful shock carried him off his feet and straight into the air far out into the crowd beyond the sidelines. So violent was the tackle that Peabody fumbled the ball and Dick Sherman was on it like lightning. Davy punted to the centre of the field and Lambert got the ball on the fumble. On a fake kick, Peet gained seven yards. Peet punted again. Williams worked the ball to the 43-yard line, from which Peabody dropped a beautiful goal from the field.

While the Hamilton team were still confused over this sudden score, O'Neil rushed the kick-off back for a touchdown. This was certainly discouraging, but for the remaining few minutes of play Hamilton had Williams on the run. DeVotie smashed into the centre for long gains. When Naylor had retired, DeVotie was put in and Mangan went in for Strickland. The ball was in the centre of the field when time was called.

Several of the team were led off the field sobbing bitterly, Nelse especially being heart-broken. He had played

like a demon, but he felt the defeat keenly, and refused congratulation upon his remarkable playing.

The centre men, Peet and Capt. Drummond did the bulk of Hamilton's playing. The faults and weaknesses of the first half were shown again in the second, altho DeVotie improved, Post, Mangan and Sherman did some stay work after they went in. If Williams' interference could have been broken up by the backs and tackles, the long runs would have been absent, and as our centre was like a stone wall, the score would have been six or twelve. But our tackles were put out of every play. Tommy made some fine tackles, but on several occasions could have shown better judgment. The men didn't cut over, they didn't start fast enough nor run hard enough, and thus didn't push the runner and help him along. The coaches waited in vain to see anyone beside Nelse help the runner thru. These are simple things, which must be learned and used. Strick played a good game until he was forced to retire. Peet played his usual magnificent game. As one of the Albany papers said, he tackled like a mowing-machine. His running was fierce and hard, and his cool and steady punting from his own goal-line, will be talked of for many a day, as it was the subject of conversation in Albany everywhere Saturday night. His was perfect football playing.

Williams played magnificent football in every department, and it is a pity that our team was not in good physical condition, as in that case the contest would have been close and fierce enough to have satisfied the most savage. No one grudges the victory, won by sportsmanlike and scientific football as it was. We are not sore-heads nor do we seek to derogate from their well-won and well-deserved victory. Next year when we have no such disadvantage to labor under as the loss of six veteran players, we will do better.

Meanwhile, no discouragement, no fault-finding. All get together to slaughter Colgate and Rochester and Middlebury. Let's all help. Here we go, hard and fast. The line-up was as follows:

	Hamilton (o).	Williams (33).
		Left end.
Drummond (Capt.)		O'Neill (Capt.)
		Left tackle.
Lambert		Spencer
		Left guard.
Wills		Cole
		Center.
Blakeley		Mossman

Gilbert Right guard. Lawrence, Bennett
 Right tackle.
 Ward Hatch
 Right end.
 Naylor, Post Wilbur
 Quarter back.
 McLaughlin, Sherman Moore, Jayne
 Left half back.
 Peet Graves, Champion, Jackarat
 Right half back.
 Strickland Watson, Gutterson
 Full back.
 DeVotie Peabody
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THE FOOTBALL season is nearing its close. There still remains to be played three games, games that are important both to the reputation of the team and to the college. Today the Colgate game will be played at Hamilton. Even those who are most confident of an easy victory realize the importance of such a game. On the following Saturday, on Steuben Field, Hamilton will meet Rochester; and on Nov. 23 the 'varsity will tackle, on the home grounds, the strong eleven from Middlebury. This will wind up the season.

But by a close observer it will be noted that all the trips have been taken. The Hartford, the Albany and the New York games have been played. Those that remain are all home games. Now there is, much to the sorrow of the writer, a certain element in football circles which not only tends to, but actually does, lower the standard of the sport by forsaking it as soon as the pleasant side—namely the trips—has passed by. Incredible as it may seem, men in the past and even some in the present, have so far lowered themselves in the estimation of their fellow men as to desert their posts at the critical point of the season and deliberately break training. When a man does this in a large institution, his services are no longer wanted or helpful. There are scores of others who are ready to take his place. But in a college of this size where it is difficult to secure two elevens the loss of one man is felt keenly. That man owes it not only to his fellow players who are trusting in his fidelity, and in such trust maintaining their own courage and perseverance, not only to his own self and honor, but even to his alma mater,

which has put infinite confidence in him to represent her upon the field.

A man is judged by his actions. The student who will put in only so much as he expects to get out for his individual satisfaction and pleasure is to be pitied. The man who will belie his position, who will not live up to the trust placed in him, is not fit for society. That which he hath should be taken from him and even that which he hath not should not be given.

The season is far advanced; only three games remain to be played. Yet we need the presence and the confidence of every man to do his best. Remember, you have a responsibility to uphold. You should take a personal pride in denying yourself for a good cause.

SHORTLY after the issue of the college catalog LIFE called attention to the changes made in the length of the vacations—two weeks Christmas and two Easter. Why this has been done no one seems to know. And we have yet to find a student who was dissatisfied with the three weeks Christmas, and one week Easter, given us last year.

Christmas-time is the one time of all the year when everyone is at home. Most of those from other colleges remain nearly three weeks. And when one is obliged to pack up and return to his duties in the midst of all the gaieties of the holidays, it is with the feeling that he might better have cut out the vacation entirely. Especially is this so when he goes home Easter and finds few or none of his friends there.

But not alone for the sake of pleasure and recreation is a vacation of three weeks preferable. Many fellows can ill afford to double their car fare as is necessary with two weeks at Easter. Or, if he does not go home, he must pay the equivalent in board and lodging. Five days is long enough to rest up after the exams., and the expense of maintenance during that time is small.

THOUGH we did not beat Williams in football, we had the satisfaction of out-yelling her representatives. It is no easy matter to support a losing team, but Hamilton showed at Albany how it can be done. It was really the first time in two years that we have done some scientific yelling. Last year at Albany, it was more the shouts of exultation than good, systematic rooting.

Now that we have found out our strength, let us develop it. Football

season is nearing its close to be sure, but basket-ball is coming, which will probably take a more important stand in college athletics than ever before, and there are a hundred opportunities for trying our throats. In the first place, the writer advocates some new yells. We have now four in our repertoire, only three of which are useful at a good fast game. We have a lot of songs, both new and old, and there is no reason why we should not have more yells. West Point showed us what an inspiration and a pleasure there is in variety. The "road" yell is the only short, snappy yell we have, and strange to say, we seldom use it. After a good play on the football field something short and to the point is required; our two regular yells are often too long to give at such times. "Rah! Rah! Rah! Hamilton! Zip! Rah! Boom!" and "Ham- etc.," are rousing war cries, and "Re-re-re, etc.," is a good one to give vent to high spirits between the halves. Let's have some Twist spirit and "want some more."

The fact that a large number of colleges throughout the country have adopted the well-known yell, consisting of the repeated "Ra," and the college at the end, is a good proof that it has some merits. Why can not we adopt such a yell? It would not be copying because that yell is, so to say, common property. The writer does not wish to appear in the light of a critic, everything is good as it is, but he believes that there is room for advancement.

COLLEGE customs must and shall be preserved even at the expense of all the sidewalks on the hill. Everyone thought it a good joke when the freshmen tore up the sidewalks below the arbor Hal-lowe'en night. It's over a week now since the tearing was done and the walks are not yet repaired. He who laughs last laughs best, it is said, and the fellows who live below the arbor are beginning to wonder on whom the laugh really is. But never mind—college customs must and shall be preserved.

PERHAPS it's natural for every class to have its "mark." So be it. But the college should hesitate a long while before it makes a class "mark" into a college "clown." Everyone is a fool in some respect, and the man who duplicates the order is not a fit subject for "kidding." When a freshman comes along the line showing signs of a "soft

corn," thoughtful students wont make it a point to "jolly" him. The "jossling" is apt to increase the "softness." College is a place to cure such faults. And by the way, when it comes to "kidding" the class "mark," it is usually noticeable that the fellow who leads in the "kidding" is he whose "bray" can be heard at the greatest distance.

Eddy Coming.

D. Brewer Eddy, Yale, '98, will be here next Sunday, November 10th. The college will, no doubt, remember his visit of two years ago, when he preached in Chapel and spoke at the Y. M. C. A. He will repeat this plan again this year.

Eddy is traveling this year as college secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, and some day in the near future he expects to go to India and the far East as a missionary. His mother is there at present as principal of a school for the children of missionaries, and his brother, George Sherwood Eddy, is also on the mission field. Another brother expects to devote his life to the work of a medical missionary.

At Yale, Eddy was shortstop on his class baseball team and for three years was on the Yale glee club. After graduation he spent the winter of '98 and '99 as a member of the Yale Missionary Band, visiting the leading cities of the United States and Canada, in order to promote the work of Foreign Missions to young people's societies. The following year he studied at Auburn Theological Seminary. He was one of the speakers at the Missionary Conference in New York, in May, 1900. He spent some time in Oxford University, England, and has travelled in Palestine, Egypt and India.

He is a very enthusiastic and interesting speaker and judging from the interest of his last visit, the college has a great treat in store for Sunday. He has visited Williams, Colgate, West Point and most all of the neighboring colleges, and great interest has been reported to have been shown. He will be on the hill also on Monday and Tuesday, with his headquarters at Silliman Hall. Don't fail to hear him.

Indoor Athletics.

Now is the time for fellows who intend to do indoor athletic work to get out and practice. Last year the indoor records were established, and this year will be the time for them to be broken. We hope to see each record of last year far surpassed this year. Uncle John has promised a fine exhibition this year and now is the time to make it fine. To the events of last year is added a boxing contest for the coming exhibition.

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LIFE is entered at the Clinton Post Office as second-class matter.

—Putnam, '03, returned to his college work on Monday.

—Johnston, '01, was on the hill for a short time Monday.

—Hank White cut the sophomores in Bible on Monday morning.

—McLaughlin is improving and hopes to resume his work in a few days.

—Chapman and Williams, '05, were seen bohnning diligently in the Capitol at Albany.

—That poor old bell! It is too bad that it has to ring even a minute between recitations.

—Lambert, '03, caused considerable laughter in chapel Wednesday by trying to explain to White the cause of his smiles.

—Juniors and sophomores got a formal review in French on Thursday, and will get another review in chemistry on Tuesday.

—Prof. Robinson says that he is rather pleased with the epithet of "Windy," as he has never been before addressed in this way.

—What a pleasure it was last Wednesday to listen to some new declamations. Why is it that we can not have such a relief every week?

—Some high-minded philanthropist on the fourth floor of North has placed a lamp in the hall. Would that the college might follow a good example.

—We see that new lamps replace the old ones which were torn down on Hal-

lowe'en. That looks good and we hope the hill will be kept light during the dark winter evenings which are to come.

—Now is the time to encourage the 'varsity. The "big" game of the season is over, and although success did not smile upon us, we nevertheless feel that we did our best, both college and team. It is hard work to practice now with nothing "big" ahead, but it must be done. Everybody out, and make things lively.

Lieut. Dan Wells, U. S. A.

Lieut. Dan Wells, '99, made a visit to the college Tuesday morning. He was the first of Hamilton's undergraduates to enlist in the United States service during the Spanish war, and has been in the army practically all the time since July 1, 1898. He served as a private in the First New York Volunteers and a few months after their muster out received a commission as second lieutenant in the United States Volunteers. He has spent the past two years in the Philippines, doing service in the mountains of Luzon. At present he is awaiting a commission as second lieutenant in the cavalry arm of the regular service. Under the new army law the rank of the newly appointed officers will be according to length of service, so that Lieut. Wells will "rank" Lieut. Stryker, although the latter's commission is issued first.

The Scrub.

There are many things which go to make up a successful football team. Loyalty, enthusiasm, good management, hard work and practice all contribute, but first of all, and most important is the scrub.

What has given Hamilton its high rank on the gridiron the last few years and what will keep it there the coming years? Nothing but a strong and willing scrub.

We are apt oftentimes in our praise and loyalty for our team, to pass over these men, who, knowing that they have no show for the 'varsity, no chance for an H, come out night after night, giving their time, and that gladly, to aid in the development of a strong and hardy 'varsity. Enough cannot be said in praise of these men, who, bruised and battered, stand up day after day to be knocked and trampled under foot.

We have left, three of the hardest games of the season, hard in that all three teams are laying especially for us. Colgate will be greatly disappointed if her team does not tie or defeat us, and Rochester, too, has designs on us. The outcome lies with us—varsity, scrub, college. Let us finish a great season with three well-earned and decisive victories, and may you men of the scrub, you who have indeed quitted you like men, may by us to the end, and you will then see the fruits of your labor.

German Periodicals in the Y. M. C. A. Reading-room.

The following periodicals, paid for from the Munson Fund for German books, are now put in the Reading-room before they go to the Library:

The illustrated semi-monthly magazine, *Vom Fels Zum Meer*; the weekly editions of the *Weser Zeitung*, and of the *New Yorker Staats Zeitung*; the comic weekly paper, *Fliegende Blaetter*.

Influence of a College Course Upon Character.

College life is not four years of mere cramming and stuffing of facts and formulas in a man; it is the broadening and developing of the character. Character is developed and strengthened by trial and trusting, and surely nowhere is there thrust upon the man more responsibility and more demand for self-decision and self action than in college. How a man meets the duties and responsibilities in college is an almost infallible index to his future life. Much, of course, is due to previous training and education, but it is often the man with the strictest bringing up who first falls before his college trials. The very fact of freedom coming all at once to him is often the very factor of his undoing.

In college a man first comes into his man's estate, and the very fact of his location makes him more his own master; he has his financial means to regulate, and he has practically the full disposal of his time. It is a developer of business instinct and self reliance to be thrown on his own resources as to the manner of his conduct.

Nowhere does a man receive fairer or less prejudiced judgment passed upon him than during his college course by his students; they are as quick in detecting and appreciating good qualities as

flows in the man's make-up. Not this alone, but in a direct and sincere way he is made aware of both. It is quite impossible for a man to pass one year in college without making wonderful character development, good or bad.

Of course the student's intimate associates exert a more potent and visible influence on his character and conduct than any other force in college, but it is generally a fact that the men with whom the student is closely connected are well balanced, so that the stonger inclinations of his character are generally developed.

There is much said about the vice and corruption the student is subject to; and one prominent public man refused to give his son an education at college for this very reason. That this is a gross error is potent. Nothing is made pure and thoroughly sound without testing and trial, and a man whose character has not been subject to the pressure and influence of the forces of a college life is so much undeveloped and weak.

College life is not merely what the manager of the great steel trust judges, but a trying and testing of the individual character which is developed intensely in the four short years of a collegiate course.

Bradford, '85.

The following from the Johannesburg (South Africa) *Gazette*, "published under military authority," September 26, 1901, gives a glimpse of Wager Bradford, Clark Prize orator of 1885:

"In accordance with President Roosevelt's Proclamation, setting apart Thursday as a day for mourning and prayer for the late President McKinley, Capt. Wager Bradford, Camp Commandant, G. Co. R. R. M. D., held a service on Thursday on the parade ground, at the Langlaagte Deep Mine. Many Americans were present. The burial service was read, and appropriate selections rendered by the Military Band of No. 5 Section, R. R. M. D. The attendance was of a local nature, but it is intended at an early date to hold a memorial service in Johannesburg."

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