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## Forty-eighth Clark Prize Contest. Elihu Root, Jr., Secures Prize.

third was an excellent exhibition of spontanous, high-class public speaking. Six manly and eloquent young men gave a splendid account of their oratorical training in our unique College. The College as well as the seniors that spoke should be congratulated for being able to present such uniformly good orations and high-standard speaking. Each and every orator was an honor to the well-earned reputation of Hamilton College. It is to be regretted that Hamilton's orators have no opportunity to spread our reputation among the institutions of this and other states by entering into a state and interstate intercollegiate oratorical contest. Hamilton men have debated against a worthy opponent and won, and with plenty of margin. The next in order is a state oratorical contest. Money can be raised for a suitable ilization in motion. They meet: the prize for the winner, if the organization can be perfected. A Clark Prize Orator can be annually elected by the students through the Advisory Board to represent them at the contest then the intellectual and rhetorical skill of our College could be exhibited as well as the athletic prowess of our physical giants. The Clark Prize contest suggests this plan, and who will be the first to make some definite move? The orators of the class of 1903 would furnish some fine specimens of oratory which would savor of the genuine thing. The passages that follow are offered without comment - each orator speaks for himself.

Mr. Manley F. Allbright's oration

The Clark Prize Contest of June | was on "The Message of the New Orient to the Occident.'

> "The very Scripture of Orientalism proclaims a new orient. The sun that rose in Asia forty-five centuries ago, gilds anew the minarets of the East. It is the sun of civilization. Appearing first when history began, it marked in Asia its rising-place, and advancing thence, has made the land of its present occident, America. But does the Orient not know a sun-rise? Has it forgotten that the sun which moved away so long ago must come again? A day has dawned before which centennials are insignificant: the world witnesses the first historic cycle of civilization. Asia has a civilization co-ordinate with that of Europe and America. But put them into correla-The civilization of the Old tion. Orient, dwarfed, at rest, opposes a civold falls; the new sweeps on. The sun of civilization begins a new revolution. In this new orient is written a message of tremendous import. tells us that the sun is passing from America, therefore let us advance and share in the labor and achievement and take our place beside the Powers that are already busy on the new frontier. What is it that makes Asia the cynosure of every eye? The Asiatics have but skimmed the surface of the land. Its wealth of buried treasure lies untouched. Richest mines of iron and coal lie close together, doubling the utility of each. The soil in the Yellow River Valley is inexhaustible.

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#### The Intercollegiate.

The intercollegiate field meet was practically a repetition of the Hamilton-Colgate dual meet, though Colgate was the winner by a somewhat less decisive score. The day was warm and comfortable for the spectators, who gathered to the number of nearly four thousand, either to watch the sport or dance in the pavilion which was opened for the day. Manager Wicks is to be congratulated on the financial success of the meet.

Large numbers of students came down from both Hamilton and Colgate, but throughout the afternoon the former failed to get together in any organized cheering, though Colgate yells were frequent and enthusiastic. The straightaway for the dashes and hurdles was in very good shape, but the turns on the oval were soft and slow. Throughout the afternoon a constant freshening breeze blew down the stretch, aiding the runners materially, but interfering greatly with easy running on the back track.

Castleman took the hundred in 10 1-5 seconds, with Jones close up. With the gale at his back he covered the twotwenty in the very fast time of 21 3-5 seconds; Jones but a couple of yards back. In the mile we failed to get a place though Wood made a game effort to land third.

The quarter was a pretty race between Smith and Roosa. Fifty yards from the tape they ran even, but Roosa finished strongly and won by five yards in 53 I-5 Colgate again took three seconds. places in the high hurdles, and Roosa was forced to run second to Castleman in the low, in the fast time of 26 seconds, though of course the runners were backed by the breeze.

Pratt ran the best he has this year in the half, but was in faster company too, finishing a good third in 2:07 3-5. Nasmith and Burton took first and second in the two-mile for Colgate; Wood running a plucky race for third.

Hamilton showed her best strength in

the field, winning four out of five firsts here. Blakely broke the intercollegiate and college record in the hammer, with a throw of 124 feet 8 inches. White won the shot, putting 34 feet 5 1-2 inches. Remington and Edgerton sprang a surprise in the high jump and we landed first and tied for second. In the pole-vault, Wicks, usually an easy winner, was handicapped by a cut hand and a strained leg. In one of his vaults he fell and bruised his leg badly so that he was unable to compete in the broad jump. Grant won the vault at the low height of 9 feet 6 inches. Roosa and H. Edgerton landed first and third in the broad jump, Lewis, of Colgate, second.

The final score was Colgate 68, Hamilton 41, and Rochester 8. Castleman was easily the star of the meet, winning four firsts and one third. Roosa took two firsts and one second for Hamilton. Nasmith was also a double winner. It would seem rather unfair that Rochester with only three competitors should share advantages and finances with Colgate and Hamilton, who each had at least twenty-five entries. Hobart was as usual the silent member of the league and didn't even send an entry. Summary:

100-yards Dash-1, Castleman, C.; 2, Jones, H.; 3, Sutherland, R.; time 10 1-5 seconds.

220-yards Dash-I, Castleman, C.; 2, Jones, H.; 3, Sutherland, R.; time 21 3-5 seconds.

440 yards Dash-I, Roosa, H.; 2, Smith, C.; 3, Bramley, H.; time 53 I-5 seconds.

Half-Mile Run-1, Porter, C.; 2, Hanford, R.; 3, Pratt, H.; time 2 minutes 7 I-5 seconds.

One Mile Run-I, Nasmith, C.; 2, Hanford, R.; 3, Gage, C.; time 4 minutes 46 3-5 seconds.

Two Mile Run—I, Nasmith, C.; 2, Burton, C.; 3, Wood, H.; time Io minutes 23 4-5 seconds.

120-yards Hurdle—1, Castleman, C.; 2, Murray, C.; 3, Burt, C.; time 16 2-5 seconds.

220-yard Hurdle-1, Castleman, C.; 2, Roosa, H.; 3, Murray, C.; time 26 seconds. Broad Jump-1, Roosa, H.; 2, Lewis,

C.; Edgerton, H.; distance 19 feet 7 1-2 inches.

High Jump-1, Remington, H.; 2, Edgerton, H., and Lewis, C.; height 5 feet 5 I-2 inches.

Fole Vault—I, Grant, C.; 2, McMillan,
C.; 3, Wicks, H.; height 9 feet 6 inches. Shot Put—I, White, H.; 2, Runge, C.;
3, Castleman, C.; distance 34 feet 5 I-2

inches. Hammer Throw-I, Blakely, H.; 2, Stevens, C.; 3, Deming, C.; distance 124 feet 8 inches.

#### Amherst 20, Hamilton 1.

Wednesday Hamilton played Amherst on Pratt Field at Amherst, Mass. Our team was outclassed, we were competing in company which was too fast for us. Our men seemed to lack all ability to locate the ball while Amherst constantly hit in the right place and at the right time. Stiles scored our only run in first inning, singling to right field, and coming home on Kelliher's error. For Amherst, Shay got four singles and a double, Raftery hit out three singles and a double, while McRae drove out two pretty triples and a single. Stiles did the best hitting for Hamilton, and Farrell was the star of the outfield, catching five pretty flies. Of course our team was not in the best of form after traveling nearly two hundred miles, and some of the men were placed in positions which were comparatively new to them, but the loss of the game can only be based on the fact that Amherst was far our superior in ball playing. The score and line-up:

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Amherst	А.В.	н.	P.O.	А.	E.	I
Wheeler, cf	6	3	2	0	0	1
Chase, 3b	6	2	I	2	0	t
Shay, rf	6	5	I	0	I	
Roe, c	6 6	4	7 8	I	0	
Farour, 1b		Ι	8	0	0	
Raftery, lf	6	4	1	0	0	
Kelliher, 2b	5 5	I	2	2	I	
Storke, ss	5	2	2	I	I	
McRae, p	5	3	2	I	0	
Total.	51	25	27	7	3	-
Hamilton	A.B.	н.	P.O.	А.	E.	-
Peet, c	4	0	2	3	0	
Stiles, lf	4	2	I	Õ	0	1
Ferris, rf	4	I	I	0	0	
Soper, 2D	4	I	I	2	I	]
White, 3b	3	I	I	I	1	
Judd, 1b	3	0	9	0	2	1
Farrell, cf	3	0	5	0	0	]
Easton, ss	3	0	4	0	2	
Durkee, p	4	0	0	2	0	
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Amherst 3074 I 0 I 4 X 20 25 Hamilton 10000000 1 5 10 Summary—Two base hits, Shay, Raf-tery. Three base hits, McRae 2. First base on ball, off McRae 2, Durkee 0. Struck out by McRae 7, Durkee 2.

-Once more Banjo Ben has appeared on the campus with his instrument and collection of old pipes. He is in many ways a most interesting example of a misspent life, though Ben says he hasn't been drunk for thirty years. There is, however, a strange thing which he possesses, and that is his memory. He remembers men all over the country, always adding to his list of acquaintances, he never forgets a face.

#### Why Not a Book Store?

It is a strange fact that in a modern city of over fifty thousand there is not a good book store where one may obtain current literature or standard works, but such is the case in our vicinity. We have talked about the College book store and "knocked", but it is not as bad a situation as we find in Utica. There is but one store in that city which even pretends to keep any assortment of books and that is indeed meager. It is high time that something were done to remedy this condition. Here upon the hill we should have a book store. It should be connected with the College library, under charge of the librarian. Then responsibility would make it obligatory that the business be conducted properly. Arrangements could be made easily with various publishing companies to keep supplies of books for sale on the hill. No risk would be incurred and a proper system would be inaugurated. In fine, the library, the book store, and a circulating fiction department should be concentrated, all power lodged with the librarian, and thus insure to the College an up-to-date regeme.

#### Senior Appointments.

Valedictorian-H. C. Keith.

Salutatorian-T. H. Burgess.

Underwood Prizes in Chemistry-First, H. C. Keith; second, A. P. Mills.

Munson Prizes in German-First,

H. C. Keith; second, S. B. Blakely. Southworth Prize in Physics-H. C.

Keith.

Munson Prizes in French-First, E.O. Perry; second, A. K. Arthur.

Darling Prize in American History-T. H. Burgess.

DEPARTMENT HONORS.

Latin-Mills.

Mathematics - Courtenay, Maxwell, Grant, Keith, Morris.

German-Blakely, Keith, Maxwell, Mills, Perry.

French-Burgess, Perry, Root.

Italian and Spanish-Perry.

Rhetoric and Oratory-Root.

Psychology, Logic and Pedagogics-Grant, Lambert.

Ethics—Allbright, Arthur, Blakely, Burgess, Keith, Root. Chemistry—Barnes, Blakely, Keith,

Maxwell, Mills.

Biology-Barnes, Owen.

Physics and Astronomy-Hunter, Keith.

American History-Arthur, Courtenay, Burgess, Grant.

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#### The Senior Banquet.

Last Saturday night, at the Butterfield, the seniors gathered around the festive board for their final jollification as students of Hamilton College. A majority of the class attended and for two hours thoroughly enjoyed themselves. "Dave" as toastmaster did his duty nobly. Blakely, Root, and Allbright responded to the toastmaster's requests, in a very pleasant manner, although the call came without warning. But even this trio did not satisfy the crowds craving for good oratory, so it called on "Tommie," Miller, Jones and Lambert. After these speeches the gathering broke up with every one congratulating himself that he had attended.

-The houses on the Hill have been connected with the new telephone system, so that hereafter connections may be made directly with Utica and other towns not on the old line. House calls have not been changed.



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A. M. DRUMMOND.

THE attention of the College should be called to the universal carelessness in dress at "K. P." Wednesday night. If one would remember that "K. P." is a College affair and an event which is more momentous in college life than any other contest, then the advisability, appropriatness and congruity of wearing evening dress can not be questioned. Whatever fosters a large, noble, and devout attitude should be cultivated. Such an attitude would be enlarged by making "K. P." as imposing a function of the College as possible. Evidently this year the omission of the Freshman Frolic was responsible for the negligee appearance of the audience, but surely, that was no legitimate reason, and hereafter an attempt should be made to change the custom.

#### THE INTERCOLLEGIATE MEET.

We were beaten Saturday in the track meet. Perhaps we expected the downfall, considering the score of the dual meet the week before. No doubt this apparently furnishes an excuse for the absolute lack of enthusiasm manifested by the College body as a whole. Certainly something was very much out of joint. There was absolutely no attempt made to get the College together; no organization; no man to lead the yelling. At times, five or six men would exert themselves, but aside from this there was absolute silence on our part. Colgate with her few rooters gave more encouragement to her team than our whole College did to ours. Of course Colgate was winning, but that's no excuse for our inactivity. If the time has come when Hamilton will not fight a losing fight to the last ditch, the College has changed greatly during the year just passed. The advantage of good organ-

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By this you not only put new life into those struggling in competition, but you also excite interest and enthusiasm in yourself. We all saw the good effect of substantial college yells during the Colgate baseball game on Friday. In this instance the College did its full share towards defeating Colgate. This is every man's duty who is not a member of a college team. The players themselves can not do it all. They must feel that the College is ever ready to aid them; and that it will applaud their efforts No man can do his best for an unappreciating audience. This was the proposition which confronted the track team Saturday. They did all that they could alone, but their best would have been better with the College body backing them with encouragement at every move.

Another very unpleasant negligence was the failure of the freshmen to perform their assigned duties in making the necessary preliminary arrangements for some of the events. Men were appointed and their work outlined. The failure to perform this work belongs to to those men alone. It was a great disadvantage for the officials and a great injustice to the spectators. The events of a field meet take much time, but when, through the slackness of a few men, these are prolonged unnecessarily, it gives an idea of bad management to the whole audience.

#### BE GENTLEMEN.

IT IS a harmless pleasure for college men while riding on the electric cars to amuse themselves and other passengers by singing. But there is a limit to this as to everything. Last Saturday night on one of the late cars there were several college men, also a number of ladies. Now there was no harm in singing the popular airs, for everybody enjoyed it, but when some thoughtless person started a song that was out of place, then was the time to call a halt. Probably those who joined in this did not realize what they were doing, but that is no excuse, a college man should think well before acting. It is easy for a stranger to form an adverse opinion of the character of a college by just such occurrance as this.

#### THE GYM. FLOOR.

when Hamilton will not fight a losing fight to the last ditch, the College has changed greatly during the year just passed. The advantage of good organized rooting cannot be over-estimated.

wretched condition, notwithstanding the fact that seemingly every possible plan has been tried to remedy this fault. There is still one expedient which might be considered, that of putting corn meal on the floor. If the boards are carefully cleaned and then a coating of meal rubbed in, the floor is put in excellent condition for the thin dressing of wax which follows. This has worked successfully in other places and is worthy a trial.

SPRING football practice is going on, but not many men have been out on the side lines. A few were present the first day and about ten the second day. You are busy, we known, but spare just a little time to come out and show the coach that you are interested in him and the team. Such things are appreciated,

#### Seniors' Last Morning Chapel.

The week of last things has begun for seniors. Their exams. are over. They attended their last regular chapel on Wednesday morning. "Prex" and the rest of the College rose to their feet as the class of 1903 marched silently to their seats. The organ swelled out the strains of "Carissima", and the chapel remained standing till it was played through. "Prex's" prayer was especially fervent. A familiar hymn had been chosen, consequently everybody sang with spirit. Outside, the College gave a rousing yell for Sweetland and the 'varsity. Then the underclasses gathered to give hearty class yells for 1903. Thus ended the seniors' last morning chapel.

#### A Good Custom.

After the recent track meet between Princeton and Columbia, the captain of the Tiger team sent his jersey to the captain of the team from Morningside. The custom is an old one strictly followed by many colleges. It consists merely of a congratulatory gift by the captain of the losing side to the captain of the victorious team. Such a custom it would be well to inaugurate among the colleges of the New York State Union. During recent years the number of trophies has been small, and the relinquishing of a jersey would be more significant of victory than any other memento.

-The first load of stone for the new dormitory reached the hill on Wednesday

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### Clark Prize Contest.

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But great as are these gifts of nature, still greater for the world's service is the population. New prizes are here for the arts of peace. If China knows that the new civilization is a ruthless spoiler, woe to the world when comes her turn to spoil. Asia will some day wrest a penalty. Europe must reckon with China. America has played thus far a noble part. Soon our influence will ripen into positive leadership. The time will come when America will stand mediator between the Mongol and the world. Men of the Occident, you are first in position, mighty in power, strong in the confidence of Your message from the New Asia. Orient is ringing and clear: Come and lead us. Guide us in the paths of your experience, and tell us the secret, the methods of your success, and receive the noble recompense of your faithful service."

Stuart B. Blakely's oration was on "The Loneliness of Great Men."

"Great men are those who have passed through time's furnace and live in history, and whom posterity has made immortal. To their loneliness as human beings was added the isolation of an all-absorbing purpose, the aloofness from an unappreciative world, and the solitude of mountain peaks of thought. The moulders yet the martyrs of their time, they are the statesmen, the searchers, and the soldiers; the men of letters and the prophets of the ages. The destinies of nations are shaped by tireless workers whose labor is not appreciated. Their plans and policies are too farsighted for their countrymen to understand, and they must bear their people's scorn. German unity was made possible through the Iron Duke. Bismark claimed no fellowship; self-sustained and unapproachable, he fought France alone, meeting only gloomy eyes and sullen murmurs. Meanwhile across the seas another nation has been saved by a man who "walked his burden way apart. With friends failing and foes mocking he stood upon the rock of truth unmoved." From a little would hear, or could understand.

boy weeping over a mother's grave, to a great Chieftain sobbing over his nation's wrong, Lincoln remained the same melancholy, longing, lonely soul whom all could love but none could understand. Thus the power of insight makes men grave. Galileo roamed the spaces of the universe with brain afire, seeing what no man's eye had ever seen. Columbus, with the dream of Atlantis in his brain, wandered through the courts of Europe, the only one believing in his ideas and despised for this belief. His age derided him, and left him a friendless, forsaken old man to totter to an unknown, unhonored grave. Napoleon I, emancipated Europe from feudalism. This greatest soldier of history is a type of those men whom war sets apart to carry armies in their brains and nations' destinies in their hands. Napoleon walked apart by the decree of Fate. None could approach him except as soldier or slave; his thoughts were for himself alone, himself his only friend. His time at last looked upon him as a demon of war, as the enemy of nations; and Europe conspired against him; and England, with humanity's consent, fettered him to a rock to listen to the monotony of the waves, one man and the sea. The loneliness of the men of letters is symbolized in Carlyle, Byron, and Shelly, who seemed to themselves and to others solitary beings, living in a future of ideals and listening to the gusts of homeless winds. But all the loneliness of all the lonely centuries was concentrated in the life of the greatest character of history, a man of the hated race of Judah, who trod the wine-press of this world's wrath alone, despised and rejected of men. Behold the Man, humanity's lone Son of toil and tears on His journey from Gethsemane to the Cross on Calvary, and see the greatest and loneliest man that the world has ever known. Great men have been lonely because of what they were, messengers from the Infinite to humanity. Entering the world in obscurity, they worked in solitude, having learned from their transcendent visions of truth a secret which few

Theirs was the loneliness of striking individuality and unapproached genius. In their worlds of thought and action they stood—giants towering above pigmy man, alone with their souls and nature, their destiny and their God." Theodore H. Burgess spoke on "John Marshall of Virginia."

"The guiding hand of God can be traced in all the events of our history. A special Providence raised up Washington, and in John Marshall, it gave us a Chief Justice of the United States whose capacity for creating constitutional law was unequalled in the history of the bench. The statesmanship of Marshall is eclipsed only by the loftiness of his position as a jurist. His appointment to the head of the Judiciary of this country was a bold and novel step, entirely without precedent. He had never acted in a judicial capacity and his ability was to be proved. But today we can realize the sagacity of Adams and say that if his appointment of Marshall were his only deed for his country, he would deserve to be held in memory as a national benefactor. The appointment of Marshall as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court marks an epoch in the political and judicial history of the country. American jurisprudence was then in its infancy and American constitutional law had not yet been born. The task which Marshall had to perform was the arduous one of construction. Like the sturdy pioneer of our western wilderness, he had to cleave his way through the pathless forest, with no guide but his instinctive resolution and no help but the resources of his native genius and sagacity. He had no precedents to follow, but many to create. It was his mission to give to the Constitution a comprehensive exposition, making its bounds strong enough to endure inevitable strains and elastic enough not to break with expanding empire. How well he accomplished his mission is attested by the lustre of America's promotion and her prosperity. Few indeed are the names that history can place beside John Marshall as a creator of law. His wisest colleague has spoken of him: 'His proudest epitaph

may be written in a single line, Here lies the expounder of the American constitution.' His judicial character sprang spontaneously from his nature, for he seemed in himself the very personation of Justice. He would have been great in any age-a light to guide its actions and a strength to make deathless its choicest events. For he called unto the hearts of his countrymen with an eloquence as moving as the eloquence of the leader of Israel; he gave his people promises that joined them with inseparable bonds. To the end of his life Marshall continued to judge the nation like the lawgiver of Israel. His glory shall widen as the ages pass on, till the world shall claim him as her son."

Svlvester M. Lambert's oration was on "The Loneliness of Great Men."

"In the world, a man lives in his own age; in solitude, in all ages. In solitude dwell the souls of genius whose impress is deep upon the world, for here is forged the iron shot that shatters dogma and awakens nations. Here live the thoughts that lie too deep for words; and here men dream dreams only to create ideas with which to move the deepest emotions of hu-'In Memoriam' was first manity. breathed in the loneliness of grief; and the philosophy of Spinoza found its expression in the quiet of isolation. The great men of history are those who inhabit spheres of thought into which other men rise with labor and difficulty. The history of nations is the record of its few great men. Loneliness is not measured by the miles of space that intervene between a man and his fellows. A thinking man is always alone. Men of action have been lonely men. Against the horizon of history stands black amid the shadows of solitude a strange, majestic figure-the modern Prometheus, Napoleon, chained to the rock, St. Helena. They tell us that he used to stand upon that rock and gaze seaward toward the scenes of his world-triumphs. He was dreaming again his dream of Empire. He was fighting over again the bloody battles of his mighty campaigns. The restless sea becomes the field of conflict,-Marengo, Wagram and Austerlitz; and at last comes Waterloo! On youth must serve in the Russian regithat red slope stands the old guard ments. Russia has attacked the

and the dogged Ney-they fight, they bleed, they die; but surrender, never. And thus he stands as the sun fades out in the west, his solitary figure black against the mocking sky, alone with memory. Every great life has been nurtured by the inspiration of loneliness. Wordsworth, Scott, Shelly and Pope gave to the world from out their seclusion and peaceful retreats their noblest creations, their immortal her awakening people in a cam-lines, the yearning song and the woes of a learned muse. The spring of sia, the mighty nation, from her poesy is in the garden of solitude. Hear the soul's valediction of the lonely, aged Tennyson, as he lays aside at last his inspired pen and 'awaits the sunset and evening star, and after that the dark!' Ever around the brows of the world's truly great dreamers in solitude, but men of creation and action, though misunderstood, though maligned, though martyred, shall gather the aureola of the immortal. If not here—there!"

Finland.

"It is the fifteenth of February, 1899. Helsingfors is clothed in black; a city in mourning! The tolling of bells, the deserted streets, spoke of impending calamity. In the centre of the city the statue of Alexander II. was massed with flowers, while the crape upon the column proclaimed a day of sorrow. Sad-eyed and fearful, the people of the city gathered about the monument of Finland's friend, in the eloquence of a nation's silence to protest against the act of Finland's autocrat; in lamentation for liberties lost; in rrmonstrance against the arbitrary tyranny of Nicholas II. With the ink of the world-famous Peace Manifesto hardly dry, the Czar had. broken the promises of a century and had undertaken the forcible union of Finland to his colossal Empire. He made a free nation a dependency. He reduced the most progressive and prosperous people of northern Europe to the political level of his Russian serfs. With one stroke of his pen, he wiped out the results of centuries of struggle and advancement. The pledge which after ninety years of progress Nicholas had broken, guaranteed to Finland religious liberty, and independence in the administration of her internal affairs. Accustomed to fight with nature for scant livelihood, knowing naught but the bare necessities of life, the Finns became the philosophical Puritans of the North. But political Finland today is obliterated. Shorn of decisive power, her legislators are permitted to repeat only the words which the Czar dictates. The Finnish

schools, the last stronghold of national spirit. She will place the Finnish peasant on a level with the Russian serf. Is there no hope for this land, dying through legal violence? Finland armed can accomplish nothing; Finland disarmed can struggle with the clouds of Russian ignorance. Already Finland proclaims herself the champion of liberty to lead sia, the mighty nation, from her sleep. Finland, dying, liberates the spirit which shall animate all Russia. She sacrifices her national history and enlightenment for the regeneration of her ruler's Empire.

"The Oratory of the French Revolution," by Elihu Root, Jr.

"When Louis XVI. summons the three estates to consider the finances of the realm. French forensic oratory was born, and with it the Revolution. There had been famous speakers in Albert P. Mills, spoke on "Dying France before, but never political speakers. The King is out of pocket, and he has summoned his loyal estates to assemble and make him a grant. The prelates are there in robes and cassock; the noblesse has assembled in the pride of its splendor; and last of all have come the burghers, the tiers From time immemorial the etat. nobles had aped their overlords, extorting with one hand and wasting with the other. But under the burden of it all, the great silent masses toiled and suffered and endured. But their silence is to be broken by the oratory of the French Revolution. The masses delegated their sovereignty to the assemblies, the assemblies lent their attention to the orators; the orators ruled France and shaped the destinies of Europe. For five years the orators ruled France, and in that time all which was best in the Revolution was accomplished. They shattered feudalism, wiped out feudal dues and tithes, suppressed bribes, reorganized finances, reformed criminal procedure, brought system into the chaotic mass of civil law, broke down the guild restrictions, and provided a system of education. Under their regime the people strove and prospered, and the fruitfulness of France doubled. The oratory of the French Revolution lives still. The strains which its authors stirred in men's hearts will never cease to sound. They found Europe in serfdom, and the struggle which they began has left it free. Liberty, justice, equality and mercy-these were the principles for which the orators stood. For these they labored, and for the last of these they died. were brave men. Salute them!" They

Mr. Root received the award.

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#### A Change in Latin Department.

For some time past the report has been circulating that a change in the Latin department will be made next year. Namely, that Prof. Ward, who has been studying abroad, is to return and claim the chair which has been held open for him these two years. Consequently, the acting head of the department will have to leave our College.

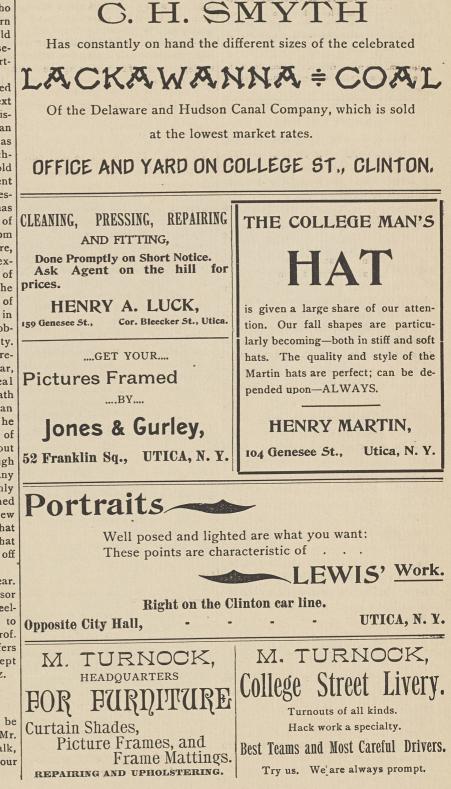
At different times LIFE has asked why we cannot have "Windy" here next year. But nobody has given any satisfactory explanation. Of course we can readily see that Prof. Robinson, who has had fifteen years' experience in teaching, would scarcely be satisfied to hold any position in the Latin department subordinate to the one he holds at present. It is said that Prof. Ward has been promised the position of head of the department when he returns from Germany. Whatever the facts are, the purpose of this article is to give expression to the prevailing sentiment of the College students. The desire of the College, and most emphatically that of the men who are electing courses in the Latin department, is that Prof. Robinson should be retained on the faculty.

In these two years he has won the respect of the students, as a keen scholar, a genuine teacher, and above all, a real friend of the college fellows. His path was not so rosy at first, when he began the crusade against "trots." But he has won thinking students to his way of looking at language study. He has put both sophomores and freshmen through a stiff "course of sprouts." But as many a student has said: "'Windy' certainly teaches a fellow Latin. I have learned more Latin this year than I ever knew before." Aye, and he teaches you what real work is, the kind of work that makes you sweat, and take your coat off and roll up your sleeves.

Yes, sir! we want "Windy" next year. College men can size up a professor about as quick as anyone. Their feeling is that it would be a heavy loss to the department if the trustees let Prof. Robinson go. The student body offers an earnest plea that "Windy" be kept one of us. X. Y. Z.

#### Y. M. C. A.

The last meeting of the year will be held at five tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Griffith, of Utica, will give a short talk, and the meeting will be worth your time.



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#### **College Notes.**

-Lewis, '02, visited the Hill Sunday. -Never mind, we'll frolic at another time.

-"Bill Shep" will spend the summer in Europe.

—Andrew J. Nellis, of Johnstown, visited the Hill Wednesday.

—It is rumored that "Pretty" will be absent in Europe next year.

-Eight men wanted for the Booklovers' Library. Start it going.

—Wicks, '04, injured his knee quite badly while pole vaulting Saturday.

-Many alumni and friends of Hamilton attended K. P. Wednesday night.

-Not half enough men out to football practice. How can a fellow keep away!

—The baseball team was badly crippled Wednesday because of the injuries to Hunter and Bramley.

—The crowd at the Intercollegiate was indicative of the thorough methods of the track management.

-Dean, '05, attended the commencement and reception at the Syracuse Classical School Thursday.

-In two months we have had only three showers and these three together would not make one respectable rain.

-1906 should not be disheartened by the reverses in their plans for a frolic. Next fall a Hop would be most acceptable.

-We miss "Uncle John's" familiar figure on the campus these days. He has left the Hill for his summer vacation.

tion. —The man who prophesied two months of drought has supplemented his statement by a promise of a month of rain.

—Speh, 'oi, is spending part of a two weeks' vacation on the Hill. He reports a very thriving Hamilton colony in Chicago.

—Men have been busy during the past week trimming the paths on the campus and getting them ready for Commencement.

—Sweetland was welcomed back to Hamilton by a rousing yell after chapel Wednesday morning. Good luck to you, "Sweet." —"Prex." wants to know whether Jenks

-"Prex." wants to know whether Jenks '05, is as wise as he looks or looks wiser than he is. Any information will be gladly received.

-Bosworth, ex-'05, who has been visiting the Hill this week, will return to College in the fall taking up the Latin-Scientific course.

—The class of 1903 has left us. There will be just one more complete reunion at Commencement time, and then they will be scattered forever.

—The grass was mowed during the past week. This is the second cutting the campus has had this spring, Verily, 'tis a poor season for hay.

—The boarding house up College street is to be remodeled during the summer, preparatory to occupancy by Professor A. P. Saunders.

-The track management gave a dinner at the Butterfield Saturday night to all the track men who represented Hamilton in the intercollegiate meet.

ilton in the intercollegiate meet. —Jenks in Bible tells "Prex." that the canon of the Old Testament is, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." "Prex." stops him at that point.

-"Prex." very neatly expressed his regret Thursday morning in college meeting, that Prof Robinson is not to continue a member of the faculty.

—Bramley by winning his track H Saturday becomes the second man to secure the four H's. McLaughlin, '03, was the first. Congratulations, "Bram."

-The new "Lit" board are making every effort to enlarge and improve the *Lit*. They should have the support of every man in College in their undertaking.

-This is an excellent time for the study of archæology. The dry condition of the campus has brought to light the foundations of the old Oneida Academy and of another building back of North.

—During the few days of football practice there has been a little playing in front of the gym. on the campus. We would suggest that the football field be used instead, since it will not take long to dig up the grass and give the place a bad appearance for Commencement.

-Stone is being drawn and piled in front of the Hall of Philosophy on the back rectangle. Guesses are in order as to whether this is a promise of a new dormitory, or an instance of "Prex's" method of building a foundation first and getting the money afterward.

-The "D. T." Club held its solemn festival in Utica Thursday night, after which thirteen of the class of nineteensix were admitted into its mysterious circle.

-R. C. White, while marking in chapel during the absence of the regular marker, seeing that his usual seat was empty, absent-mindedly marked himself absent. He is wondering now how he got that "cut."

-The question of a training table for athletic teams will be much simplified when the Hall of Commons is opened. This will give us accommodations for our athletes the year around. The advantage of such an arrangement cannot be overestimated.

—It is not known yet just how much money was made at the meet Saturday, but it was a considerable sum. Onethird of the proceeds goes to Colgate and one-third should go to Rochester according to the rules of the intercollegiate athletic association. But in view of the fact that Rochester took so little interest in the meet, sending only three men, and that we did not receive our third of the receipts from Rochester last year, we are not bound by any sense of justice or fairness to turn over money to Rochester which she does not deserve.

-A college meeting was held after chapel Thursday morning when the following elections took place: Manager of track team, Day, '05; assistant manager, Drummond, 'o6; manager of basket ball, Ferguson, '04; assistant manager, France, '05; manager of baseball, Paton, '05; assistant manager, Maynard, '06; manager musical clubs, Hotchkiss, '04; assistant manager, Wright, '05; manager of tennis, M. R. Davis, '04; assistant manager, Richardson, 05. Prof. Robinson reported as treasurer and a committee was appointed to audit this report. A vote of thanks was extended to him for his efficient services.

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