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Hamilton Spirit.

Wherever Hamilton College is known it is known for its spirit, its hearty spirit of good fellowship and friendship. This spirit becomes imbued unconsciously in every man who enters here; it is found in our athletics, it is predominant in our recitations among ourselves; it is strong among our Alumni, and we should feel more than proud of it. Every graduate will tell you that he values that part of his college life and training more highly than he does anything else he may have reaped from his course. College has aptly been called the training school of life, and surely there is no more desirable trait to infuse into a man than this spirit. It is propagated the more easily because we are not overcrowded, but each man can look upon every other man in college as a personal friend, and as such can value him in after days.

We are all of one household here and we should strive each one to make this spirit of fellowship stronger and stronger. The college interests are every man's personal interests, and that is why one of our football coaches a few years back, when more than a third of the men in college were out supporting the football team in suits, said that if he could imbue that spirit in his Alma Mater he would think he had conferred the greatest boon possible.

It is this spirit that is strengthened by the hearty "Hello, fellows;" it is the same spirit that is shown in whole-hearted support of our athletics; it is also made firmer by the live interest shown in our every deed by our Alumni; it is the corner-stone of our life here.

—The mosaic work of the chapel floor has been brightened up with oil and smoothed down with a thin coating of cement.

—Some sod and grass seed will be needed around the flag pole after the mix up of Wednesday morning in that vicinity.

Freshmen Win.

The second game between the freshmen and Clinton High School, on the Hill last Wednesday resulted in a decisive victory for the former. There was considerable interest in the game as in the previous encounter Clinton had won a hotly contested game by only one point, and the attendance from both town and college was large.

The game was hot from start to finish, though after the first two minutes of play the freshmen were always in the lead. Both teams displayed clever team work in the first half, the freshmen excelling in breaking up their opponents' play. The second half was rougher and even more exciting than the first, the continuance of clever team work by the freshmen enabling them to win out by a score of 23 to 17. The game was clean, and good feeling was manifest throughout.

For Clinton, Risley, Moore and Newton played splendidly. While it would be unjust to single out any one freshman from the others, still Sherman, Kelly and Bramley showed perhaps the best form.

The game was made the occasion for considerable class yelling which enlivened things in good shape and heightened interest in the game.

The line-up was:

Freshmen.	Clinton.
	Right Forwards.
Sherman, (Capt.)	Dempsey.
	Left Forwards.
Sicard, (LeMunyan),	Moore.
	Centers.
Kelly,	Risley, (Capt.)
	Right Guards.
Roosa,	Schwartz.
	Left Guards.
Bramley,	Newton.
Referee—A. C. Busch '03; timer, Davis '04; umpires—Redmond '01, S. Sherman '04.	

—The Syracuse track team have been outdoors training for over a week.

The Gym. Show.

Having seen and heard it all before, the fellows here at college were probably not able to judge how successful the Hamilton Entertainment in Utica, Monday night, really was. It was patent to everybody that the program passed off without a hitch and the continuous applause from the opening of the wand drill until the Rah! Rah!! Rah!!! Hamilton pyramid collapsed, showed what the spectators thought about it. Since then every Hamilton alumnus you meet in Utica or in this vicinity takes occasion to tell you how proud he was of the whole affair, and that is the praise best worth having. President Stryker complimented the men who took part, at Chapel Wednesday morning, and he would not say it was good unless he thought it was.

Of course the main feature was the gymnastic exhibition. It was better than ever before. It was done with snap and precision and was interesting every minute of the time. "Uncle John" deserves every bit of the praise that every man on the Hill unstintingly gives him. The pyramids and human ladders he built up from Hamilton students were better than anything of the kind that any circus presents.

A big bunch of roses was part of the encore which the mandolin club received for its first appearance. The flowers were only suggestive of five hundred mental bouquets which the audience was sending forward at that time. To those who had heard the glee club out at college and at Rome and especially at Geneva, the work it did was disappointing. To those who didn't know how very much better the glee club can do, the numbers were entirely satisfactory, however; and since the success must be judged by the popular idea of it, the club did its share well.

Louis Ehret was easily the most popular feature. He was "encored" again and again and finally was presented

with a "bouquet." He took his honors easily. His unquestioned success should show us that the people like best from college entertainers something light and jolly, something that goes off with snap and vigor. Downey was hardly less a hit than Ehret. He told his football story so well that you could hear the referee's whistle and, although his Junior Girl pantomime does not appeal strongly to the college students, you probably noticed that it took the Majestic by storm. Of course Hawley and Miller did well in their solos. They know how to and always do well. Newton was so scared he could not do himself justice; but no one except those who have heard him at his best knew the difference. He was strongly "encored."

The benediction of the whole story belongs most, however, to Ward and Hoffman. Ward's exhibition with the hundred pound dumb bell was wonderful. It did much to cinch the argument that any boy who wants to become strong can find a splendid opportunity right here on College Hill. Hoffman's club swinging was as pretty a feature as any in the entertainment. It was graceful yet bewildering in its intricacy. Here is the last bouquet for the loyal alumni, Hawley, Ward and Hoffman, who gave their time to make the Hamilton Entertainment a success.

The Row.

Last Wednesday in the small hours of the morning the college was awakened from its peaceful slumbers by shouts and cries resembling the distant shrieks of a barbarian host about to swoop down upon its desired prey. Pulling ourselves reluctantly from bed we rushed to the windows. There in the mist-fog of a dismal morning we beheld floating from the top of the flagstaff a gorgeous green banner flapping gently in the breeze, bidding defiance and despair to the oncoming cohorts of the freshman class. Perceiving that there was "about to be something doing," we lose no time in dressing and hastily rush to the field of action.

Around the flagstaff like stamping horses impatient for the race pranced the sophomores eager for the fracas. The freshmen bunching themselves in a compact mass at the end of the flagging, rush with a mighty sweep upon their beloved friends. Then followed a battle the like of which we have not witnessed in many moons.

With mud a foot deep, slippery and sticky, the two masses of humanity closed about each other. Such embracing, such kindly glances, such gentle love pats, we never saw before. Now a couple would emerge from the seething mass and with a flying start slide ten feet in the muck. Now hoisted in mid air some unlucky being with wild eyes and besmeared face would claw the air and perform a most scientific high dive, land on his ear in "goo." To describe the different expressions and varied manoeuvres would be impossible. For fifteen minutes the battle waged. The freshmen with outnumbering forces were unable to dislodge their opponents, although at times it looked as if they would succeed.

After both sides had completely used themselves up and the fight began to take on the appearance of a game of "squat tag," the upperclassmen called it off and gave the decision to the sophomores. It was one of the best rows seen in years and was well worth the price of admission.

Charles C. Hawley.

[The following statistics were unavoidably omitted from the last issue of LIFE]:

Charles C. Hawley, class of 1899, Hamilton College, only son of Charles A. and Marion C. Hawley. Born at Seneca Falls, N. Y., September 2, 1876. Prepared for college at Mynderse Academy, Seneca Falls, and Occidental College, Los Angeles, Cal. In college freshman, prize essayist; Clark prize orator, Pruyn medal man. After graduation studied law one year at Cornell University, one year at New York Law School. Admitted to the bar October, 1901. Commenced practice of law at Geneva, December, 1901. Health failed and went to New Mexico, March, 1902. Died at El Paso, Texas, February 28, 1903.

Senior Club.

The Senior Club met at the Chi Psi Lodge Wednesday night for the last regular club meeting. The fellows are sorry that it is a thing of the past, for they say that they have enjoyed themselves here more heartily than in any other class affair during the course. The Club have decided to wind up the season with a dance, perhaps in Society Hall down town, sometime early in spring term.

One on Tandflunk!

To the Editors of Life:

Sophomoric logic indeed graced the article of the C. U. Tandflunk. He calls himself a "regent of Kappa Beta Phi," but would the alumni members of that most eminent fraternity uphold him in his nonsensical deductions? The article he criticised did not weep for the unfortunate without allowance, but it appealed in his behalf; it protested, as Tandflunk protested, the spirit of "Against Iconoclasm." According to his own reasonings then, he himself wept, thereby doing the very thing that he was reviling. We notice that he puts quotation marks around the word "poor," let him next time read his subject carefully before poisoning his puny pen. But he admitted he was one of "the poor fellows without allowance." Indeed, Mr. Tandflunk seems to desire to be "pitied and wept over in the public prints." What need to say more? Yet he asked some questions, and 'tis but fair to answer.

Mr. Tandflunk seems to instill in the essence of his article the "serves you right" spirit. "If the college criminal is to be indulged during dance week, what is to distinguish the goats from the sheep?" he says. He, a regent of Kappa Beta Phi, admits he's a goat. "It shows confession is good for the soul" is a trite expression, and we hope he can comprehend where his logic leads him. He calls his brothers "goats" and "college animals." Is he not open to expulsion?

Mr. Tandflunk does not know what "Iconoclasm" means. After reading his weighty words, we cannot wonder. Even a flunker can get good marks in "Bib," we recommend him to dip a little in literature, or, if too lazy, to ask some of his instructors. He need not worry, they will not be surprised.

If Mr. Tandflunk wishes answers to his arguments, he must improve his logic, so that it can be comprehended. Indeed, we cannot tell whether he is a sheep or a goat.

—Sand is still being drawn and piled back of the Chemical Lab.

—It is not too early now during this wet, broken weather, for the fellows to avoid as much as possible walking on the grass on the campus. There are places where it looks as though a herd of cattle had been pasturing.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The annual election, held Wednesday after Chapel, resulted in the choice of the following officers for next year: President, C. H. Toll '04; vice-president, W. P. Soper '04; treasurer, G. M. Day '05; secretary, G. R. Warburton '06. Their duties begin with spring term.

Tomorrow President Dimorier, of the Y. M. C. A. of Colgate University, will visit the Hill and speak at the 4 o'clock meeting. Such interchanges as this ought to strengthen the bonds of friendship between colleges by quickening sympathy in common aims. Let our welcome be cordial.

—The next "stunt" is to pass the term and the prize exams.

—The baseball game scheduled for April 29th with Potsdam Institute of Technology has been cancelled, and a game with St. Lawrence University has been substituted in its place.

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A GOOD PRECEDENT.

In line with the last meeting of the Senior Club, we should like to say a few words in commendation of it. It is a good precedent for other classes to consider. It has a broad spirit, as broad as the class can make it. It is strictly informal and offers one evening a week of enjoyment to the only class that really has the time to use in this way. In the present Senior Club there are twenty-six members, and every man of them says he never enjoyed any other class affair so much as the Senior Club meeting. You know there isn't anything a senior would rather do than sit around with a crowd of classmates and spend an informal evening with games, and smoking and conversation—a yarn of freshman year, a bit of class history, a few good jokes on the Prof's, and a good old sing of college songs, sung as no other music can be sung. No wonder the Senior Club has been a joy to be remembered! For the classes to follow we wish that they may have a similar good time.

MORNING CHAPEL.

We who are here now experienced something this past week which in all probability will not happen again during our college course—two cuts in morning chapel. Every one was delighted, because with our limited allowance of these precious privileges a gift in this line is welcome. Still it was interesting to notice the effect on the college. The men from down the Hill sauntered up about the accustomed time just from force of habit, although “nine o'clock” did not commence till the hour sounded. There was the usual crowd around the chapel step also, at half-past eight both mornings, wondering what to do with its time. Our compulsory chapel

has a wonderful influence on the lives of us all, which we do not recognize 'till a time like this. The college is completely at sea without this exercise to start things off. Not so much from the religious standpoint, but from the fact that it brings the college together as a unit. Of course we see the imagined evils of compulsory chapel, as we do with every thing forced on us. But this comes more from the natural tendency of all Americans towards independence, rather than from real aversion. This system is one of the strong points of Hamilton's curriculum, and we all should appreciate it, as in fact we do.

CATALOGUE DEFICIENCY.

As suggested by one of the professors a short time back, our catalogues do not give an adequate outline of the courses here pursued; the meager details given but confuse the average parent or freshman and do not tell him what our courses are meant to accomplish.

It is a foregone conclusion that everyone who is choosing a college, be it special or classical, wants to know pretty clearly what he is going to get in the course. This the catalogue outline fails to tell him. A few more dollars invested in printers' ink each year might mean as many more students.

THE college thank Ward '02, and Hoffman '03, for their interest and services in the “Gym.” show on Monday night.

LIFE would like to suggest that hereafter in flag rows, the flag be hoisted on some tree, as the cannons are too near the flag pole and interfere with the action and safety of the ———.

In giving credit for the excellent presentation of the “Gym. show” at the Majestic, there are three chief sources deserving the heartiest thanks of the college; one, “Uncle John,” two, Hawley, Ward and Hoffman, three, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman. To all of these the college are deeply in debt and we take it upon ourselves to thank them for the college.

—The danger of carrying an argument to its logical conclusion is thus set forth: They were at a picnic. “Fingers were made before forks,” she laughed as she helped herself in democratic fashion. “Yes,” he admitted, “and people were made before clothes.” She hastily reached for a fork.—(Chicago Post.

The New Walk.

We note with pleasure the timely laying of the new walk up the Hill. At last we are spared the annoyance and ill comfort of wading through the spring mud. It is the desire of every man in College to maintain all our time-honored customs here on the Hill and zealously guard them lest they die out, but when the upholding of a custom greatly inconveniences every man in College, why not let it drop? This year the freshmen, as usual, demolished the walks, and as a result we were deprived of the pleasure and safety of coasting. Ever since Prex has refused to take upon himself the responsibility of repairing this portion of Hallow-e'en damage, there have been long-drawn-out delays in the matter. This year the limit was reached. If this state of affairs cannot be remedied the best plan is to do away with it.

College Notes.

—R. H. Sheppard '00, visited the hill this week.

—It is reported that “Bib” came to chapel Tuesday morning.

—“Pretty” warns the seniors to look out for that Municipal Law exam.

—Sophomores are getting Hermann and Dorothea to the tune of eight pages every recitation.

—If Dante could have seen South College, he would doubtless have written a second “Inferno.”

—The juniors have not decided as yet which side of the interclass debate question they will defend.

—Elihu Root '64, paid the Hill a visit this week and attended the exhibition in Utica Monday evening.

—Is the Kantian philosophy and that of Hegel written in English? This is a live question with which the seniors are grappling.

—The temporary exam. schedule is out and does not give entire satisfaction. Constitutional Law on the last day is rather tough.

—All students who are thinking of taking out life insurance policies, should consult Mr. D. J. Carter '04, soliciting agent for the Equitable Life Assurance Company of New York.

—The musical clubs last evening gave a concert before a large and appreciative audience in Little Falls. The usual program was rendered. This morning at Lewis' studio in Utica a group picture will be taken.

Conference at Union Seminary.

A unique conference for college men is being inaugurated this year at the Union Theological Seminary, New York City. Like the Student Volunteer Movement, it is the response of young men to a growing need, and it promises to gain a permanent place in the work of the theological seminaries of this country. It is a conference for the consideration of the work and opportunities of the ministry, and its purpose is to present to those college men who are now deciding upon their life work, definite and reliable information concerning the opportunities and work of the ministry in this country. It is not the intention to present the claims of any particular denomination, nor to set forth the needs of the work in foreign lands, but to have pointed out the opportunities offered to the ministry by the general conditions existing in our own land.

The Conference will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 20th, 21st and 22nd, at the Union Theological Seminary, 700 Park Avenue (69th street), New York City. The Conference will open Friday, March 20th, at 3 p. m. All those from out of town in attendance upon the Conference will be the guests of the students of the Seminary during their stay in the city, and the men at Union from Hamilton will be especially glad to welcome any students from their Alma Mater. The program includes such men as President Butler, of Columbia, Prof. Peabody, of Harvard, Professors Knox and Hall, of Union, and many of the most prominent ministers of the leading denominations. The work of the ministry will be presented in all its phases, by educators, laymen and clergymen.

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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.

College Notes.

—That's a good football schedule. Eh?
—Bristol, '98, visited the Hill, Tuesday.

—Uncle John was all smiles on Tuesday morning.

—Ralph H. Sheppard '00, was on the Hill Monday.

—Ward, '02, spent several days on the Hill this week.

—Brandt, '04, was welcomed back to college last week.

—What luxury to walk on a respectable new board walk!

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

—The Whist Club will meet tonight at the Theta Delt' House.

—Did Uncle John have a good time after the show? Guess not.

—The 'Varsity Basket-Ball team had a picture taken Wednesday.

—The College Gym. show will probably be given in Rome next year.

—It seemed good to see "Fritz" back in the Mandolin Club last Monday.

—"Bill Shep" delivered a lecture at Syracuse University last Saturday.

—A trip for the musical clubs during the Easter vacation is being planned.

—Dickinson, '05, has been called away from college by the death of his mother.

—The D. T. Club held a banquet at the Butterfield, Monday night, before the show at the Majestic.

—The freshmen have a new yell which is a decided improvement over the old one.

—Hon. Elihu Root, '64, is spending some time at his summer home on College Hill.

—Get particulars from "Louis" Ehret about his playing peek-a-boo with "Nick" under "Rock's" desk.

—The morning chapel cuts, both Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, came at most opportune times.

—The freshmen held a meeting Monday morning and appropriated twenty cents to get Hallock's hair cut.

—Old clothes missed from the Gym. after the row Wednesday, will be found in the basement of that building.

—Wardwell, ex '05, was among those at the Gym show in Utica, Monday night. He expects to re-enter college next fall in '06.

—France, '05, tries to get a "supe" on Prex by telling him that college presidents are considered learned men and excellent scholars.

—"Uncle John's" show in Ute. and the sophomore-freshman flag row were the pre-eminent features of the week. Both were howling successes.

—Munger, '05, aptly described in noon chapel Wednesday, "the hateful struggle" of that morning, much to the amusement of his auditors.

—The basket-ball team had its picture taken Wednesday afternoon, after which the election of captain took place. Sherrill Sherman '04, was elected.

—The address of Mr. McSporen, of Auburn Theological Seminary, at the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday, was much enjoyed. He spoke on "The Claims of the Christian Ministry."

—The Y. M. C. A. elections, held Wednesday, after noon chapel, resulted as follows: Toll, '04, president; Soper, '04, vice-president; Day, '05, treasurer; Warburton, '06, secretary.

—It seems perfectly evident from the recent entertainment at the Majestic that a musical and athletic entertainment which would be highly creditable could be given in any city of the State.

—The death of C. C. Hawley '99, brings to mind the fact that Mr. Hawley's father, C. A. Hawley '59, of Seneca Falls, was the founder of the Hamiltonian, while the former was the founder of LIFE.

—The chess team is ahead in its match with Clinton. Two games remain to be played. The club is also carrying on correspondence games with Princeton and Rochester. Only a few moves have been made so that no prognostication can be made yet.

—A challenge to debate with Cornell was declined owing to lack of time on the part of the Hamilton debaters to prepare for another contest this season. It was suggested that the challenge be renewed next year.

—On last Saturday evening pictures of the "Gym." team and of the pyramids and Roman ladders were taken in the gymnasium by Gibbons. They came out successfully and may be obtained from the photographer. Right here a word might be said for Gibbons. He has gone to much expense in coming up on the Hill at numerous times to photograph various teams and clubs, and now the fellows should appreciate this fact and give him a good sale on the pictures. He reports that he has not been supported as well as he should be. Let everyone send in his order at once and keep him busy for a while.

The Mails.

We must again make that same old "knock" about the irregularity of the mails. Some time ago a schedule was announced by the carriers and for some time it was followed. But now there seems to be no attempt to hold to this schedule and the same irregularity from which we have been suffering is again thrust upon us. We are perfectly aware of the fact that "the mail goes down at the convenience of the carrier and comes up after the carrier goes down," but it does seem as if the convenience of the carrier and that of the fellows might be made to agree a trifle better. What the college demands is a more regular mail service, a schedule that will be followed.

Baseball Coach.

The baseball manager reports that he has secured the services of Mr. William Setley, of Utica, to coach the team for the coming season. Setley is known in the baseball world as "Wild Bill," from the fact that he came from the West. He has a good reputation as a player, having pitched at various times for Philadelphia, St. Louis, and in '93 was a member of an All-American team which made a European tour. As a coach he has been at Yale, Lehigh, University of Virginia, and also had charge of the All-Cuban team which played in America in '98. He will begin his work on the Hill at the opening of spring term and will coach the team for about five weeks.

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NEXT WEEK'S ATTRACTIONS.

Attractions for week beginning March 16th.

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Tuesday—Otis Skinner in "Lazarre." Prices 25, 50, 75, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

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